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GREAT NORTHERN STEEPLECHASE MEETING.

FIRST DAY.

THURSDAY, JUNE 3rd, 1909 (Prince of Wales' Birthday).

MAIDEN STEEPLECHASE (HANDICAP) of 150sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs, and third horse 10sovs out of the stake. For all horses that have never won a steeplechase of the value of 100sovs, or steeplechases of the collective value of 250 sovs at time of starting. Winner of any steeplechase after declaration of weights to carry 7lb penalty. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each. About two miles and a-half.

JERVOIS HANDICAP of 100sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards that have never won a flat race of the value of 100sovs, or flat races of the collective value of 250 sovs at time of starting. Winner of any flat race after declaration of weights to carry 5lb penalty. Minimum weight, 8st. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each. Five furlongs.

MAIDEN HURDLE RACE (HANDICAP) of 110sovs; second horse to receive 15sovs out of the stake. For all horses that have never won a hurdle race of the value of 100sovs, or hurdle races of the collective value of 250sovs at time of starting. Over seven flights of hurdles. Winner of any hurdle race after declaration of weights to carry 7lb penalty. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each. One mile and three-quarters.

GREAT NORTHERN HURDLE RACE (HANDICAP) of 650sovs; second horse to receive 100sovs, and third horse 50sovs out of the stake. Over ten flights of hurdles. Winner of any hurdle race or hurdle races after declaration of weights of the value of 100sovs to carry 5lb; of 200sovs, 7lb; of 300sovs, 10lb penalty. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 3sovs, with a final payment of 3sovs each. Two miles and a-half.

CORNWALL HANDICAP of 325sovs; second horse to receive 50sovs, and third horse 25sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Minimum weight, 8st. Winner of any flat race after declaration of weights to carry 5lb penalty. Winner of Jervois Handicap to carry not less than 9st. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 3sovs each. One mile and a-quarter.

HUNT CLUB HURDLES (HANDICAP) of 50sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs out of the stake. For horses the bona fide property of members of any recognised Hunt Club, and which have been duly qualified during the season of 1908 by a lady member of any such Hunt Club, or by a gentleman member of any such Hunt Club who is eligible as a gentleman rider under the Rules of Racing. No horse will be eligible which has won a race of any description of the value of more than 25sovs (Hunters' races excepted). Horses to be ridden by members of Hunt Clubs, who hold certificates as gentlemen riders under the Rules of Racing, and who must hand to the Clerk of the Scales a certificate from the Master of the Hunt Club that they have hunted during the current year (1909). Owners must hand to the Secretary a certificate of qualification of their horses at time of nomination. Over eight flights of hurdles. Minimum weight, 10st. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each. Two miles.

MEMBERS' HANDICAP of 150sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs, and third horse 10sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Minimum weight, 8st. Winner of any flat race after declaration of weights to carry 5lb penalty. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each. Five furlongs.

SECOND DAY.

SATURDAY, JUNE 5th, 1909.

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

RANFURLY WELTER HANDICAP of 100sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards that have never won a flat race of the value of 100sovs, or flat races of the collective value of 250sovs at time of starting. Minimum weight, 9st. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each. One mile.

GREAT NORTHERN STEEPLECHASE (HANDICAP) of 850sovs; second horse to receive 150sovs, and third horse 75sovs out of the stake. Winner of any steeplechase or steeplechases after declaration of weights of the value of 100sovs to carry 5lb; of 200sovs, 7lb; of 300sovs, 10lb penalty. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 3sovs, with a final payment of 5sovs each. About three miles and a-half.

REMUERA HURDLE RACE (HANDICAP) of 200sovs; second horse to receive 35sovs, and third horse 15sovs out of the stake. Over eight flights

of hurdles. Winner of any hurdle race after declaration of weights to carry 7lb penalty. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each. Two miles.

PRINCE OF WALES' HANDICAP of 325sovs; second horse to receive 50 sovs, and third horse 25sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Winner of the Ranfurly Welter Handicap to carry not less than 10st. Minimum weight, 9st. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 3sovs each. Seven furlongs.

THE JUMPERS' FLAT RACE (HANDICAP) of 150sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs, and third horse 10sovs out of the stake. For hurdle and steeplechase horses that have started at least three times in hurdle races or steeplechases in New Zealand, and completed at least one course to the satisfaction of the Stewards. To be ridden by professional hurdle race or steeplechase riders to be approved of by the Stewards. Winner of any flat race after declaration of weights to carry 7lb penalty. Minimum weight, 9st. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each. One mile and a-half.

LADIES' BRACELET of 65sovs; a Bracelet of the value of 50sovs for the first horse, and a Bracelet of the value of 15sovs for the second horse. For horses that have never won a flat race of the value of 100sovs, or flat races of the collective value of 250 sovs at time of starting. Three-year-olds, 10st 10lb; four-year-olds and upwards, 11st. No other allowances. All horses to be nominated by ladies. Gentleman riders. A trophy value 5sovs to the rider of the winner. Entrance 1sov each. One mile.

THIRD DAY.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 9th, 1909.

HUNT CLUB CUP (HANDICAP STEEPLE) of 100sovs; second horse to receive 15sovs, and third horse 5sovs out of the stake. For horses the bona fide property of members of any recognised Hunt Club, and which have been duly qualified during the season of 1908 by a lady member of any such Hunt Club, or by a gentleman member of any such Hunt Club who is eligible as a gentleman rider under the Rules of Racing. No horse will be eligible which has won a race of any description of the value of more than 25sovs (Hunters' races excepted). Horses to be ridden by members of Hunt Clubs, who hold certificates as gentlemen riders under the Rules of Racing, and who must hand to the Clerk of the Scales a certificate from the Master of the Hunt Club that they have hunted during the current year (1909). Owners must hand to the Secretary a certificate of qualification of their horses at time of nomination. Minimum weight, 10st 7lb. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each. About three miles and a-half.

TAMAKI STEEPLECHASE (HANDICAP) of 110sovs; second horse to receive 15sovs out of the stake. For all horses that have never won a steeplechase of the value of 100sovs, or steeplechases of the collective value of 250sovs at time of starting. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each. About two miles and a-half.

YORK WELTER HANDICAP of 325 sovs; second horse to receive 50sovs, and third horse 25sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Minimum weight, 9st. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 3sovs each. One mile.

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

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

FITZROY WELTER HANDICAP of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards that have never won a flat race of the value of 100 sovs, or flat races of the collective value of 250sovs at time of starting. Minimum weight, 9st. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each. Six furlongs.

FAREWELL HANDICAP of 150sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs, and third horse 10sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Minimum weight, 9st. Winner of any flat race after declaration of weights to carry 5lb penalty. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each. Five furlongs.

DATES OF NOMINATIONS, ACCEPTANCES, ETC.

GREAT NORTHERN STEEPLECHASE MEETING, 1909.

With amounts to be transmitted to Secretary A.R.C. FRIDAY, APRIL 30th, by 9 p.m.

NOMINATIONS. Great Northern Hurdles Handicap 1sov Great Northern Steeplechase Handicap 1sov Winter Steeplechase 1sov Cornwall Handicap 1sov Prince of Wales' Handicap 1sov York Welter Handicap 1sov

FRIDAY, MAY 14th, General Entry, by 9 p.m. ACCEPTANCES. — Great Northern Hurdles Handicap 3sovs, Great Northern Steeplechase Handicap 3sovs. NOMINATIONS. — Maiden Steeplechase Handicap 1sov, Jervois Handicap 1sov, Maiden Hurdle Handicap 1sov, Hunt Club Hurdles 1sov, Members' Handicap 1sov, Orakei Hurdle Handicap 1sov, Ranfurly Welter Handicap 1sov, Remuera Hurdle Handicap 1sov, The Jumpers' Flat Race Handicap 1sov, Ladies' Bracelet 1sov, Hunt Club Cup 1sov, Tamaki Steeplechase Handicap 1sov, Campbell Hurdle Handicap 1sov, Fitzroy Welter Handicap 1sov, Farewell Handicap 1sov.

FINAL PAYMENT.—Great Northern Hurdles 3sovs.

FRIDAY, JUNE 4th, by 12 noon.

ACCEPTANCES.—Orakei Hurdle Handicap 1sov, Ranfurly Welter Handicap 1sov, Remuera Hurdle Handicap 1sov, Prince of Wales' Handicap 3sovs, The Jumpers' Flat Race Handicap 1sov.

MONDAY, JUNE 7th, by 12 noon.

ACCEPTANCES. — Tamaki Steeplechase Handicap 1sov, York Welter Handicap 3sovs, Winter Steeplechase Handicap 2sovs, Campbell Hurdle Handicap 1sov, Fitzroy Welter Handicap 1sov, Farewell Handicap 1sov.

DATES ON WHICH HANDICAPS APPEAR.

On or about MAY 10th, 1909. Great Northern Hurdles, Great Northern Steeplechase.

TUESDAY, MAY 25th.

Maiden Steeplechase, Jervois Handicap, Maiden Hurdle Handicap, Cornwall Handicap, Hunt Club Hurdles, Hunt Club Cup, Members' Handicap.

FRIDAY, JUNE 4th.

Orakei Hurdles, Ranfurly Welter Handicap, Remuera Hurdles, Prince of Wales' Handicap, Jumpers' Flat Handicap.

MONDAY, JUNE 7th.

Tamaki Steeplechase, York Welter Handicap, Winter Steeplechase, Campbell Hurdle Race, Fitzroy Welter, Farewell Handicap. J. F. HARTLAND, Secretary.

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WINTER MEETING.

FIRST DAY.

SATURDAY, MAY 22nd, 1909.

HANDICAP MAIDEN PLATE of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 15sovs out of stakes. For all horses that have not won a race exceeding the value of 50sovs at time of entry. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov. Seven furlongs.

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

EMPIRE HANDICAP of 250sovs; second horse to receive 25sovs, and third horse 10sovs out of stakes. Winner of any race of the value of 50sovs after the declaration of the weights to carry a penalty of 5lb; of 100sovs, 7lb. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 3sovs. One mile and a-quarter.

FIRST PONY HANDICAP of 100sovs; second pony to receive 15sovs, and third pony 5sovs out of stakes. For three-year-olds and upwards, 14 hands 3 inches and under. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 2sovs. Five furlongs and a-half.

NGATARINGA HANDICAP of 100sovs; second horse to receive 15sovs, and third horse 5sovs out of stakes. For all horses that have not won a race exceeding the value of 25sovs at time of entry. Winner of the Maiden Handicap to carry a penalty of 7lb extra. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov. Five furlongs and a-half.

HAURAKI HANDICAP HURDLES of 200sovs; second horse to receive 25 sovs, and third horse 10sovs out of stakes. Over eight flights of hurdles. Winner of Maiden Hurdles to carry a penalty of 5lb. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 2sovs. Two miles.

ROYAL HANDICAP of 125sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs, and third horse 5sovs out of stakes. Winner of the Empire Handicap to carry a penalty of 7lb. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 2sovs. Five furlongs and a-half.

PUPUKE HANDICAP of 100sovs; second horse to receive 15sovs and third horse 5sovs out of stakes. For all horses that have not won a race exceeding the value of 25sovs at time of entry. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov. Five furlongs and a-half.

flights of hurdles. Winner of the Takapuna Maiden Hurdles to carry a penalty of 5lb extra. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1sov. One mile and three-quarters.

VICTORIA HANDICAP of 125sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs, and third horse 5sovs out of stakes. Winner of the Britannia Handicap to carry a penalty of 7lb. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 2sovs. Five furlongs and a-half.

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

NOMINATIONS, WEIGHTS, AND ACCEPTANCES. NOMINATIONS. FRIDAY, APRIL 23rd, 9 p.m. FIRST DAY. — Handicap Maiden Hurdles 1sov, Handicap Maiden Plate 1sov, Empire Handicap 1sov, Royal Handicap 1sov, Hauraki Handicap Hurdles 1sov, Ngataringa Handicap 1sov, First Pony Handicap 1sov.

SECOND DAY. — Pupuke Handicap 1sov, Haururu Handicap Hurdles 1sov, Second Pony Handicap 1sov, Britannia Handicap 1sov, Takapuna Handicap Maiden Hurdles 1sov, Victoria Handicap 1sov, Welter Handicap 1sov.

WEIGHTS. MONDAY, MAY 10th. First Day's Racing. SATURDAY, MAY 22nd, 9 p.m. Second Day's Racing.

ACCEPTANCES. FRIDAY, MAY 14th, 9 p.m. FIRST DAY. — Handicap Maiden Hurdles 1sov, Handicap Maiden Plate 1sov, Empire Handicap 3sovs, Royal Handicap 2sovs, Hauraki Handicap Hurdles 2sovs, Ngataringa Handicap 1sov, First Pony Handicap 2sovs.

SATURDAY, MAY 22nd, 10 p.m. SECOND DAY. — Pupuke Handicap 1sov, Takapuna Handicap Maiden Hurdles 1sov, Second Pony Handicap 2sovs, Britannia Handicap 2sovs, Haururu Handicap Hurdles 1sov, Victoria Handicap 2sovs, Welter Handicap 1sov.

R. WYNWARD, Secretary. WANGANUI JOCKEY CLUB. WINTER MEETING, To be held on the Wanganui Racecourse, 22nd and 24th MAY, 1909.

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FIRST DAY. SATURDAY, 22nd MAY, 1909. 1. 12 noon.—BOROUGH HANDICAP of 125sovs; second horse to receive 15 sovs, and third 10sovs from the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 2sovs. Six furlongs.

2. WANGANUI STEEPLECHASE HANDICAP of 400sovs; second horse to receive 40sovs, and third 10sovs from the stake; over the Wanganui Steeplechase Course. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 3sovs. About three miles.

3. ELECTRIC HACK HANDICAP of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 15sovs, and third horse 5sovs from the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 30s. Five furlongs.

4. KAITOKE HACK HURDLE HANDICAP of 100sovs; second horse to receive 15sovs, and third horse 5sovs from stake. Over seven flights of hurdles, 3ft 6in in height. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. About one mile and three-quarters.

5. CENTURY HURDLE HANDICAP of 300sovs; second horse to receive 40 sovs, and third horse 10sovs from the stake. Over eight flights of hurdles 3ft 6in in height. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 3sovs. About two miles and a distance.

6. CONNOLLY HANDICAP of 250sovs; second horse to receive 40sovs, and third horse 10sovs from the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 3sovs. One mile and a-quarter.

7. PURAU HACK FLAT HANDICAP of 100sovs; second horse to receive 15 sovs, and third horse 5sovs from the stake. Minimum weight, 7st. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 30s. One mile.

SECOND DAY. MONDAY, 24th MAY, 1909. 1. 12 noon.—WINTER OATS HANDICAP of 150sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs and third horse 10sovs from the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 2sovs. Six furlongs.

2. GRANDSTAND STEEPLECHASE HANDICAP of 250sovs; second horse to receive 15sovs, and third horse 10 sovs from the stake. Over such course as the Stewards shall direct. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 2sovs. About two and a-half miles.

3. BALGOWNIE HACK HANDICAP of 100sovs; second horse to receive 15 sovs, and third horse 5sovs from the stake. Minimum weight, 7st. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 30s. One mile and a distance.

4. HATA HACK HURDLE HANDICAP of 100sovs; second horse to receive 15sovs, and third horse 5sovs from

the stake. Over six flights of hurdles, 3ft 6in in height. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. About one mile and five furlongs.

5. **MAY HURDLE HANDICAP** of 175 sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs, and third horse 10sovs from the stake. Over seven flights of hurdles, 3ft 6in in height. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 2sovs. About one mile and three-quarters.

6. **EMPIRE HANDICAP** of 175sovs; second horse to receive 15sovs, and third horse 10sovs from the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 2sovs. One mile and a distance.

7. **FAREWELL HACK FLAT HANDICAP** of 100sovs; second horse to receive 15sovs, and third horse 5sovs from the stake. Minimum weight, 7st. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 30s. Six furlongs.

PENALTIES.

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

DATES OF NOMINATIONS, WEIGHTS, AND ACCEPTANCES.

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

FRIDAY, APRIL 23d, 1909, at 9 p.m.—Nominations—Borough Handicap 1sov, Wanganui Steeplechase 1sov, Electric Hack Handicap 1sov, Kaitoke Hack Hurdles 1sov, Century Hack Handicap 1sov, Connolly Handicap 1sov, Purau Hack Flat Handicap 1sov, Winter Oats 1sov, Grandstand Steeplechase 1sov, Balgownie Hack Flat 1sov, Rata Hack Hurdles 1sov, May Hurdles Handicap 1sov, Empire Handicap 1sov, Farewell Hack Flat Handicap 1sov.

SATURDAY, MAY 8th, 1909 (on or about).—Weights for Borough Handicap, Wanganui Steeplechase, Century Hurdle Handicap, Connolly Handicap.

THURSDAY, 13th MAY (on or about)—Weights for Electric Hack Handicap, Kaitoke Hack Hurdles, Purau Hack Flat Handicap.

MONDAY, MAY 17th, 1909, at 9 p.m.—Acceptances—Borough Handicap 2sovs, Wanganui Steeplechase 3sovs, Electric Hack Handicap 30s, Kaitoke Hack Hurdles 1sov, Century Hurdle Handicap 3sovs, Connolly Handicap 3sovs, Purau Hack Flat Handicap 30s.

SATURDAY, MAY 22nd, 1909 (at or about) 8 p.m.—Weights for Winter Oats, Grandstand Steeplechase, Balgownie Hack Flat, Rata Hack Hurdles, May Hurdles, Empire Handicap, and Farewell Hack Flat.

SATURDAY, MAY 22nd, 1909, at 9 p.m.—Acceptances—Winter Oats 2sovs, Grandstand Steeplechase 2sovs, Balgownie Hack Flat 30s, Rata Hack Hurdles 1sov, May Hurdles 2sovs, Empire Handicap 2sovs, Farewell Hack Flat 30s.

FRIDAY, APRIL 23rd, 1909, at 9 p.m.—First Forfeit, Jackson Stakes, 1910, 1sov.

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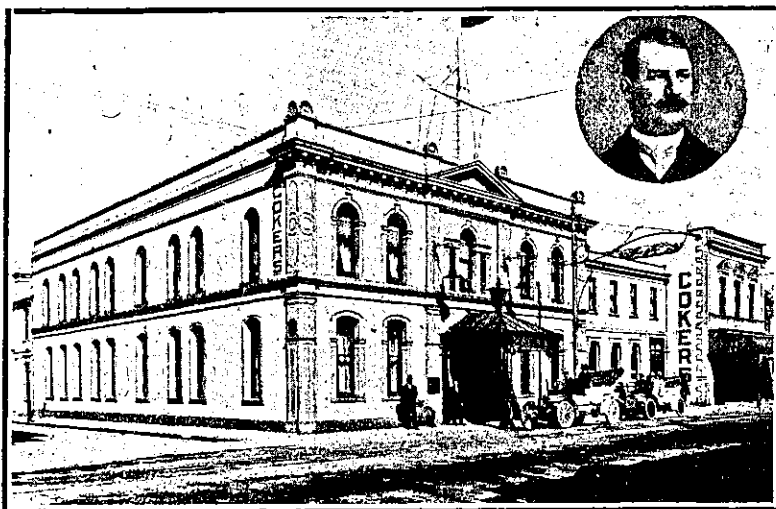


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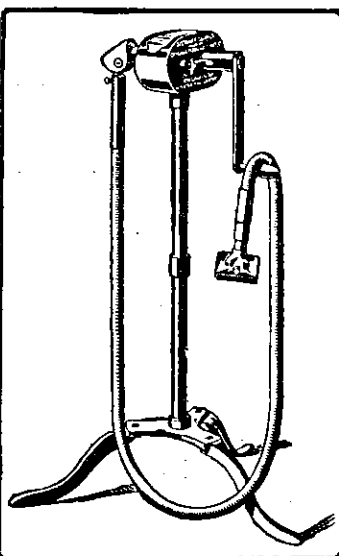
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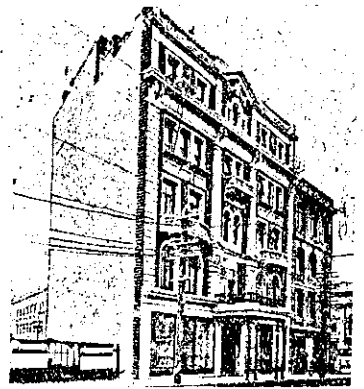
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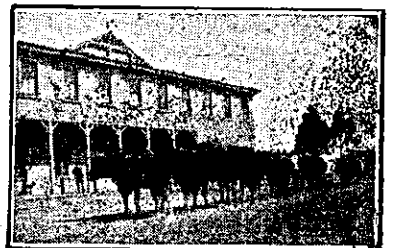
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The most noticeable absentee from the nominations for the Great Northern Steeplechase is Loch Fyne, who led the field home last June.

The weights for the Great Northern Hurdles and Steeplechase are due to appear about Monday next.

The weights for the principal events at the Wanganui Steeplechase Meeting are due next Saturday, the 8th inst.

It is understood that the Wanganui Trotting Club made a small profit over their recent meeting. Considering the wretched weather experienced, this result must be reckoned very satisfactory indeed.

An advertisement appears in this issue, notifying all those interested, that Mr. Mackay, coach proprietor, Martindale, has always available all kinds of vehicles, and also saddle horses. All passenger trains are met at Featherston.

The much-boomed North Head made his first appearance over the hurdles at Hawke's Bay yesterday, when he led the field home in the Hack Hurdles.

It is considered certain that the St. Simon horse Sout will head the winning sires' list in New Zealand this season, and All Red will probably have won more money in stakes than any other horse when the season closes. There still appears to be some doubt as to how the list of winning owners will read.

Mr. George Morse's adjustments for the first day's events at the Wanganui Jockey Club's winter meeting are due next Saturday.

The Auckland lightweight horseman B. Deeley left early in the week to pilot Provocation in the Hawke's Bay Stakes, which comes up for decision to-day.

The Hon. J. D. Ormond has entered North Head, Kairoma, and Audax for the G.N. Hurdles.

LATE RACING.

HAWKE'S BAY JOCKEY CLUB'S AUTUMN MEETING.

FIRST DAY.

Fine weather prevailed yesterday, when the Hawke's Bay Jockey Club opened their autumn meeting. The results are as follow:—

HACK HURDLES of 100sovs. One mile and three-quarters.
North Head, 10.5 1
Nero, 9.0 2
Also started: Corazon 10.9, Lebecchio 9.3, Atanui 9.0.

MAIDEN HACK of 100sovs. Six furlongs.
Bridge, 7.7 1
King's Prize, 8.5 2
Also started: Mayflower 8.8, Water-o'-Milk 8.8, Rua 8.8, Master Stent 8.5, Ukuia 8.5, Whistlecraft 8.5, Polynice 8.5, Cork 8.5, Mediterranean 8.5, Ambala 7.7.

NURSERY HANDICAP of 150sovs. For two-year-olds. Five furlongs.
Zylophone, 8.7 1
Golden Water, 7.8 2
Also started: Elysian 9.1, Theodore 9.1, Boanerges 7.13, Glissade 7.9, Te Pua 7.9, Meremere 6.12, Scots Fusilier 6.7.

PORANGAHAU HANDICAP of 200sovs. Six furlongs.
Bobrikoff, 9.11 1
Gold Thread, 8.3 2
Also started: Mon Ami 8.8, Sunbonnet 7.12, VI 7.3, Diamond Star 7.7, Inez 7.2, Wimmera 7.2.

HAWKE'S BAY CUP of 450sovs. One mile and a-half.
Mr. D. Buick's Tangimoana, 6yrs, by San Fran—Waingongoa, 8.3 1
Trustees of the late A. M. Combe's br c Master Sout, 3yrs, by Sout—Lady Haster, 8.12 2
Also started: Downfall 8.13, California 8.12, Sir Tristram 8.2, Kopu 7.13, Uhlendo 7.8, Waitapu 7.8, First Mate 6.10, Gold Gate 6.10, Uenuku 6.7, Chamois 6.7, Awha 6.7.

KARAMU HURDLES of 120sovs. One mile and three-quarters.
Master Douglas, 10.10 1
Also started: Waipu 11.0, Gold Dust 10.10, Capulet 9.13, Aroha 9.11, Prospector 9.6.

POUKAWA HACK HANDICAP of 100 sovs. Five furlongs.
Mundic, 7.9 1
Contendent, 9.0 2
Also started: The Saint 8.8, Illustrious 8.7, Andrew Mack 8.4, The Limit 7.2, Fikopiko 7.9, Caron 7.7, Rangikura 7.5, Magneto 7.3, Captain Jingle 6.12, Appan 6.12, Amato 6.12, High Flier 6.12, Obscurity 6.12.

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INTER-PROVINCIAL.

(From Our Own Correspondents.)

CANTERBURY.

CHRISTCHURCH, May 5.

Bucclench broke down badly when running in the Flying Handicap at the Christchurch R.C. meeting on Saturday last. He will be sent to the stud next season.

Bulletin, half-brother to Bobrikoff, is likely to make a good galloper. So far he has only competed in moderate company, but he has won his races in hollow fashion, and he strikes me as being one who is bound to win in better company before long.

R. W. King did the hat trick on Saturday, winning the first three races on the programme.

L. Acland, who has just joined the ranks of owners, won his first race on Saturday by the aid of Lady Disdain, whom he purchased at the conclusion of the Canterbury autumn meeting.

Sea King, who was voted by the shrewd ones as a moral for the Flying Handicap at Plumpton, cut up badly after going half-a-mile. He has let his owner down more than once lately.

Petrovna, who gave a glimpse of her best form in the Flying Handicap, showed plenty of dash in the last furlong, and won comfortably. She will finish her racing career this season.

Claymore, a fine-looking son of Multiform—Marion, was whispered about as a good thing for the Hack Handicap at Plumpton, but he was never in the hunt. This horse did a season at the stud last year, and as he has a reputation of being able to gallop fast in private, he may be worth watching in the near future.

Musterer, a full brother to Boris, ran in two hack events at the Christchurch meeting, finishing outside a place in the first and winning the second. He is owned and trained by D. Roberts, whose luck has not been too good lately.

The clever punters who usually get on to "dry" things, backed Contender, Bulletin, Lady Disdain, Sea King, The Needle, Claymore, and De Witte at Plumpton—three winners and three losers. They had their biggest bet on Lady Disdain.

Kilwinning and Whistlecraft have returned from their unsuccessful trip up North, but Flitaway and Thistle-down will be racing at Hastings on the second day. Some of the Chokebore horses generally run better on the second day of a meeting, and may be worth watching.

HAWKE'S BAY

NAPIER, May 4.

Moriarty has been sold to T. Quinlivan, jun., acting on behalf of Mr. E. J. Watt, to an Australian buyer. Merriwee's son is booked to leave Hastings for his new home next Thursday.

A younger half-sister of Nehikore by Mundic is one of the lots owned by a well-known Taradale sport.

F. E. Jones has been engaged to steer California in his go in the Hawke's Bay Cup.

A. Raynor is getting the Needlegun filly used to the track, for I noticed him leading her around the circuit last Saturday. Her mentor says she is a versatile performer in the art of putting them off, and J. Boyd, who has tried a seat on her, says she is not bad. In fact, he is of the opinion that if she keeps on going she will prove a valuable asset to a buck-jumping organisation.

One of the handiest horses that I have seen so far to handle himself is Mourokoff, the three-year-old son of Menschikoff and Kilmorey. He hits out like a machine, and if ever there was poetry in motion exemplified by an equine, Mr. McLaughlin's colt fills the menu to a nicety.

Nero shaped well in his schooling exercises at Napier Park on Saturday morning.

Old Aroha is suffering from a slight attack of thrush in the feet.

A would-be Wellington buyer has been inquiring the price of Mayflower.

So far, however, seller and buyer have not been able to come to terms.

King's Lynn has been turned out for a respite. When the flowers bloom again it is intended to take up Seaton Delaval's son.

One day last week I looked up C. Lagor, in pursuance of an invitation that he had extended to me some time back, and upon my arrival at his quarters this educator—who is best known amongst sports as the owner-trainer of the much-talked-of California—gave me a hearty welcome, not that his was a solitary exception, for during the period that I have been at it, every educator and owner whom I have called upon has always done his best to make my visit a pleasurable and educational one. This by the way. And now to Lagor's team. His first pupil we viewed was Right Oh! a two-year-old half-brother to Appin, his pedigree reading Waiuku—Miss Beckwith. The latter may claim relationship to Lochiel, for her dam, Princess Helen, was a half-sister to the Scotch-named horse by Leolinus. On breeding lines, so far so good, but allied to this the youngster has heaps of attractive points, and if he only goes on the right way he will most assuredly prove Right Oh! when the time arrives for him to be duly landed at the starting point.

Harekoa, a three-year-old son of The Possible and Happy Thought, has a great deal to commend him, albeit he is moulded on rather small lines. Still, on previous occasions, within the history of the Turf, some of the little ones have done all right, and judging by the conformation and lines of Happy Thought's son, he should also do good—a good turn for those connected with him—when he is sent forth for the fray dressed in his best. His nomenclature is most apropos, for Harekoa in the Maori language signifies "Great Joy."

A big, bold, solid-looking gelding, who claims Bronte as his sire, his dam being a mare by Hiko out of a daughter of Mule, was the next to claim attention. He is six years old, and so far has not done a rap towards earning his oat bill, but his outlook suggests that when he is seriously put to it he will not go back on his party, for he fills the eye as a likely sort over the obstacles, which portion of the business is not at the present time congested with likely sorts. In appearance he greatly resembles that old-time hero, Tiritea, and should he prove as formidable as he was, well then his connections are sure to have a rosy period ahead of them. He is called Battle Royal, and those conversant with the history of Nelson will readily admit that the appellation is of an appropriate character.

"Why do you leave the best portion of the feast until the last?" was the remark of one of the historic ancients. "Because, by comparison, the rest would prove rather unpalatable," was the answer of one of those interested in the affair, and that is why California, the slipper, that stands in the stall at the top, has been left by me to finish up with. That he is a monarch there is no denying, and if his detractors could only have seen him as I did last week, his golden coat shining like burnished gold, muscular to the highest degree, with health and heartiness apparent in him throughout, they must have assuredly admitted that he was the beau ideal of the racehorse in training. I know in the past I have often described California as being one of the wingy sort—i.e., standing too much on the leg—but since seen out last he has lost that, and appears more solid and substantial. That he is a good one I stand or fall by, and I prophesy the test that will be supplied to him to-morrow will not find him wanting.

WELLINGTON.

WELLINGTON, May 4.

The Manawatu R.C. Autumn Meeting was poorly patronised by local horse owners, only Ballarat, Effort, and Ukraine representing Wellington at the gathering. This no doubt accounted for the paucity of visitors from the Empire City. It seems to be coming home to officials of some racing clubs that the injudicious curtailment of complimentary tickets is seriously affecting the revenue hitherto derived from the totalisator, sale of race books, lunches, etc. With a reduced attendance, there is also a serious falling off in the percentage received by clubs for carriage of passengers from the railway authorities. With so many race meetings following closely upon each other, there is a tendency on the part of many business men to absent themselves from other than the principal gatherings of the season, and with cash less plentiful

than formerly, clubs would be acting wisely were they to offer every inducement to men of means to visit their racecourses. Few of those whose presence on the course is due to a club's invitation will invest with the totalisator less than ten pounds per day, thus contributing twice over in commission the price of the complimentary tickets presented them.

Notwithstanding that only a poor class of horses was seen contesting the handicap events at Manawatu, there was some excellent racing, the results in several events might, however, have been reversed had the club secured the services of a competent starter. In the majority of races the contestants left the starting post in Indian file, and quite a number of owners declare that they will not again engage their horses at Awapuni until the Manawatu Club notifies that they have engaged a competent starter.

The scratching of Master Sout for the Longburn Handicap at the eleventh hour by D. Moraghan was the means of enriching a number of metalicians, who had ante-post double books on the Longburn and Telegraph Handicaps. Those of the public who were victimised were loud in their condemnation of Master Sout's trainer, who, it is reported, actually took the colt to the course, and thereafter put the pen through his name. Those who declaim loudly about trainers being in league with book-makers, made much of the incident.

The art of placing horses seems to be foreign to some racing men. For instance, Waipaku, when set to concede Sandstream 11lb. in the Wellington Autumn Handicap, was withdrawn, yet her owner raced her against Sandstream in the Dominion Cup at Manawatu, when set to concede Sandstream 14lb. As a matter of course, Waipaku finished in the rear, whilst Sandstream ran third. Many other similar instances could be recounted. It would appear that some trainers believe in "courses for horses," and will take their charges to courses where they have previously been successful, quite irrespective of the weights that they are called upon to carry.

In addition to the useful Tumut, a goodly number of second and third rate animals have been shipped to Blenheim for the Marlborough Racing Club's Autumn Meeting, which commences on Wednesday. Amongst those that will assist at the gathering are Merrie Rose, Mairora, Silken Rein, Osirus, Irish Rifle, Daisy Paul, Toa Tui, and King Post. As they are all much of a class, there should be some open racing, and this should satisfy those followers of the Turf whose main object in life is to have a bit of a flutter on the totalisator.

A horse named Brilliancy ran nowhere, carrying the minimum impost, in a six furlong race, won in 17 1-5sec., on the opening day of the Manawatu Meeting, the total investments on the machine on Brilliancy being practically nothing. On the second day of the meeting, when well backed by its connections, it won the Hack Flying in 1.15 2-5, thus displaying an extraordinary improvement in a few hours. Who will say that there is not room for stipendiary stewards on our country racecourses?

WANGANUI.

WANGANUI, May 5.

Excellent progress is being made with the work of putting the Rangitikei racecourse into order for the Spring Meeting, and it is anticipated that before September rolls round everything will be in readiness. Besides forming practically a new course the grandstand and other buildings have been removed to a better position, viz., on a natural terrace, which extends from the entrance to the straight and to some distance from the winning-post. The club can now claim to have an excellently laid-out course, with most convenient and up-to-date appointments. The alterations made have enabled the club to give increased accommodation for all purposes, and the course itself should give complete satisfaction to horse owners. It has been thoroughly drained, and is now 60ft. in width, while the new training track is 15ft. wide. In addition to a large number of stalls, six loose boxes have been erected, and a sand roll, under cover, has also been prepared. The new grandstand has four entrances, gives increased accommodation, and is built on a site which commands a perfect view of the course and surroundings. A public luncheon and a stewards' luncheon room have been provided underneath the stand, also a publican's bar. These rooms are most commodious, and fitted with all conveniences, while a

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3—Mr. L. Bremer's Kareroa, 7.13 (Hatch) 2
 1—Sir George Clifford's Flitaway, 9.3 (Jones) 3
 Also started: 5, Ballarat, 8.11; 9, Irish Rifle, 8.0; 7, Lady Menschikoff, 7.9; 8, Aboriginal, 7.9; 6, Sir Antrim, 7.6 (carried 7.1); 4, Nicotine, 6.7.
 Won by nearly two lengths from Kareroa, who just lasted long enough to beat Flitaway by a neck for second place. Lady Menschikoff was fourth. Time, 1m. 16s.

Longburn Handicap of 200sovs. One mile and a furlong.

10—Mr. J. Bull's ch m Daisy Paul, 5yrs, by St. Paul—Daisy Clipper, 6.10 (R. Young) 1
 7—Mr. A. Jackson's Roosevelt, 7.0 (Ayres) 2
 2—Mr. G. B. Oman's Paisano, 7.4 (Cress) 3
 Also started: 3, Tangimoana, 8.5; 1, Moriarty, 7.13; 6, Mahuta, 7.11; 4, Whetumarama, 7.8; 5, Flingot, 7.0; 9, Berengaria, 6.7; 8, Clemora, 6.7; and 11, First Mate, 6.7.

In a good finish Daisy Paul won by a neck from Roosevelt, who was a bare length in front of Paisano. Tangimoana was fourth, Mahuta fifth, Clemora sixth, and Flingot last. Time, 1m. 55 1-5s.

Woodhey Hack Handicap of 120 sovs. Seven furlongs.

2—Mr. H. Gaisford's br g Illustrious, 4yrs, by Renown—Barbelle, 7.9 (R. Hatch) 1
 4—Mr. H. Spratt's Mendip, 8.4 (Jackson) 2
 3—Mr. G. F. Moore's Dervish, 7.5 (Carroll) 3
 Also started: 1, Wimmera, 9.0; 8, Shannon Lass, 8.3; 5, Waitoto, 7.8; 6, Explosive, 7.7; 7, Waipunui, 6.11; 9, Castiglione, 6.11.

Illustrious was in front at this distance, and going on won by two lengths from Mendip, who was a similar distance in front of Dervish. Wimmera was fourth, and Waipunui fifth. Time, 1m. 29s.

Taikorea Welter of 150sovs. One mile.

2—Mr. F. G. Roe's b m Probability, 6yrs, by The Possible—Seraph, 8.10 (H. Cairns) 1
 1—Mr. T. O'Neill's Eclogue, 9.7 (Young) 2
 3—Messrs. Cameron and Fairbrother's Seatondale, 8.0 (Cress) 3
 Also started: 4, Bourrasque, 9.4; and 5, Lamsdorff, 8.0.

At the half-distance Eclogue and Seatondale were fighting out the finish, when Probability passed them both, and won by two lengths from Eclogue, who was a head in front of Seatondale. Time, 1m. 46s.

SECOND DAY.

The Manawatu races were concluded on Thursday in fine weather and before a large attendance. During the day £7863 was put through the machine, making the total for the meeting of £15,481, as against £19,214 for last year's fixture. The proceeds from the book-makers amounted to £578.

TIRITEA HACK HURDLES of 100 sovs. One mile and a-half.—Mrs. E. Robinson's Ranghaeta, by Rangipuhi—Tawera, 11.2 (C. Price), 1; Mr. J. McNicol's Papatawa, 2; Mr. O. George's Somali, 9.10 (C. Cochrane), 3. Also started: Lothair 9.9, Golden Glow 9.2, Canadian 9.5, Feu-de-Joie 9.0, Ngawaka 9.5. Won by two lengths. Three lengths separating second and third. Time, 2m. 51 1-5s.

HACK FLYING HANDICAP of 100 sovs. Six furlongs.—Mr. W. Sheehy's Brillancy, by Hotchkiss—Golden Shines, 6.7 (M. Fraser), 1; Mr. H. Spratt's Mendip (C. Jackson), 2; Mr. H. Gaisford's Illustrious, 8.6 (R. Hatch), 3. Also started: Wimmera 9.0, Genuine 8.8, The Limit 7.12, Dervish 7.6, Ukraine 7.6, Explosive 7.1, Kimmerian 6.7, Arapata 6.7. Won by two lengths, with a neck between second and third. Time, 1m. 15 2-5s.

BOROUGH HANDICAP. Six furlongs.—Mr. R. Johnson's Nicotine, by St. Clements—Rau Rau, 6.7 (F. Coleman), 1; Sir Geo. Clifford's Flitaway, 9.4 (F. E. Jones), 2; Mr. G. Clareburt's Lady Menschikoff, 7.7 (G. Clareburt), 3. Also started: Sir Antrim 7.5. Won by a length and a-half, with two lengths between second and third. Time, 1m. 15s.

DOMINION CUP of 300sovs. One mile and a furlong.

Mr. A. Jackson's Roosevelt, by Menschikoff—Yankee Mary, 7.5 (W. Ayres) 1
 Mr. D. Buick's Tangimoana, 8.4 (A. Oliver) 2
 Mr. G. H. Miller's Sandstream, 7.7 (F. Cress) 3
 Also started: Waipaku 8.7, Longner 7.10, Mahuta 7.10, Paisano 7.7, Aboriginal 7.0, Hermia 7.0, Berengaria 6.13. Won by a head, with a neck between second and third. Time, 1m. 55s.

AVA HACK WELTER. Seven furlongs.—Mr. F. J. Attfield's Master Douglas, by Douglas—Pearl Shot, 8.2 (Jenkins), 1; Mr. R. Smith's Waipunui, 7.8 (L. Wilson), 2; Mr. W. T. Hook's Strategist, 9.2 (A. Oliver), 3. Also started: Hilarian 8.13, Explosive 8.1, Waouru 8.0, Thetis 7.9. Won by half a length. Time, 1m. 30s.

JUVENILE HANDICAP. Five furlongs.—Trustees of the late Mrs. A. M. Coombe's br c Elysian, by Soul—Dreamland, 8.11 (R. Brown), 1; Sir Geo. Clifford's Kilwinning, 8.3 (F. E. Jones), 2; Mr. A. F. Douglas' Seraphic, 7.1 (F. Cress), 3. Also started: Te Puia 7.9, Conquestina 7.3, Rangikura 6.7. Won by a neck, with half-a-length between second and third. Time, 1m. 1 4-5s.


FAREWELL HANDICAP. One mile.—Mr. A. Smith's Effort, by Advance—Endeavour, 9.1 (W. Ryan), 1; Messrs. Cameron and Fairbrother's Seaton Dale, 7.12 (F. Cress), 2; Mr. H. R. Telford's First Mate, 7.9 (L. Wilson), 3. Also started: Eclogue 9.6, Probability 9.2, Bourrasque 8.1, Kareroa 8.9, Lamsdorff 7.7, Anemone 7.7, Clemora 7.7. Won by two lengths, a similar distance separating second and third. Time, 1m. 44s.

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CINQUEVALLI: PRINCE OF JUGGLERS!
 HOW HE CAME TO HIS KINGDOM.
 A STORY WORTH READING.
 ("Sporting and Dramatic Review" Special.)

"Cinquevalli, the Incomparable!" So the playbills term him; and, on his own lines, so I found him. I was introduced to him on the stage of His Majesty's Theatre, shortly after his arrival in Auckland on Tuesday morning. He was playing with a wooden ball belonging to Mr. Lawson. Having discovered it on the stage, and finding that it had a little hole in it, he was not satisfied until he had tossed it up and down and caught it on a pointed stick he held in his hand. I didn't know it then, but I found out afterwards that was characteristic of the man. Cinquevalli never rests satisfied with attempting a thing. He keeps on till he conquers it, and that is the secret of his success.

"An interview? Certainly; only too pleased to meet you," said the Prince of Jugglers, the formal introductions over. "What do you want me to talk about? Myself? How I took to juggling? Well, let me see! How long have I been before the public? Thirty-seven years."

"And your first appearance?"
 "Was made in Russia, the Southern portion. I was a tumbler, as my father was before me, and used to take part in aerial flights. Conjuring and juggling and the things attending them that I have since taken up were merely hobbies with me. I juggled to amuse my fellow artistes 'between the acts.' I was the Entertainer of the Entertainers. That was what they called me. As a boy I had a perfect mania for juggling and such things."

"Call it genius—talent, rather," murmured the interviewer.

"No! I call it a mania. A man must be a maniac, at least I think so, now that I have grown older and look back upon the past, to spend, as I did, four or five hours, day after day, in perfecting little tricks that take only a few seconds to perform on the stage. But it was all done in a fighting way. I remember my old dad, when he took me in hand and started to make a tumbler of me, and told me to do the 'flick-flack.' If I didn't do it properly or moved too slowly I got a crack over the head or the arm to keep me up to the mark. When I got outside to play—I was only a boy, remember—I would take a bottle and stand it on the back of my hand, and would make it do the balancing tricks I was called upon to do. I was the bottle, and when it didn't respond, I used to give it a crack with my disengaged hand. That was my father! In time I took to balancing the bottle on my arm. And so with other things that I picked up. I made them do tricks, and when they failed corrected them, as my father corrected me. When I was quite a child if an orange was given to me I never ate it like other children did, but waited until it had grown so soft and juicy by much throwing about that I couldn't throw it any more without its falling to pieces. Then I would eat it. In school I would play with a pencil, throw it up in the air and try to catch it in the pencil case to which it belonged. You saw what I was doing with Mr. Lawson's ball a little while ago. I saw the ball there and simply couldn't let it rest till I had fitted it on the stick. See (smiling) how the mania—habit you call it—has grown upon me!"

Mr. Cinquevalli's father is a Russian Pole; his mother an Italian, hence his name Paolo Cinquevalli. For years he travelled with his father through Poland and Russia. When he paid his first visit to Germany he was announced as Paul Cinquevalli. His friends rather liked the change in the spelling of his Christian name, and he has been "Paul" ever since. He was six or seven years of age when his father began his training as a tumbler, or acrobat, and his daring flights and intrepid acts gained him, as a youth, a great reputation throughout Southern Russia, where he was called Malinke Chort—"The Little Devil."
 In 1874 Cinquevalli met with a very serious accident, one that changed the whole course of his life, and that incidentally led up to the cultivation and development of those balancing

and juggling tricks that have since made him famous. He was appearing at the Zoological Gardens, St. Petersburg, in a flying trapeze act, and through the neglect of the attendant, whose duty it was to clean and wipe all the moisture off the bars, he fell a distance of 72 feet and was very badly hurt. Explaining to the interviewer how the accident happened, Mr. Cinquevalli said that when he swung across and caught the opposite trapeze he felt the moisture on the bar and knew that the attendant had failed in his duty. He felt his hands slipping and exerted himself to the utmost to retain his hold, but when the rebound came he was only clinging by his finger tips, and down he went. He had been taught to fall, however, and would even then have escaped more easily but for striking a guard wire 20 feet off the ground. That upset all his calculations and sent him hurling downwards, so that when he was lifted after his fall he was simply a mass of broken bones and bruised flesh. They carried him to an apartment adjoining the monkey house, where he lay on a couch unconscious for three days, and was then removed to the hospital on the couch upon which he was lying. He remained in the hospital for eight and a-half months, and during the weary days of waiting he amused himself with his old juggling tricks on his uninjured right hand and arm, making use of a cup, a plate, or anything that came his way until the nurse would come along with a gentle remonstrance.

When Cinquevalli left the hospital he found that his occupation as a tumbler was gone. His left arm and hand had lost their cunning and failed to respond to the demands made upon them, and it became a question what he would do in the future. "My friends," he told the writer, "urged me to take up as a business what I had previously done for practice. I thought the matter over and came to the conclusion that I would try what could be done in that line

"I made my reappearance," he continued, "in the same gardens where I had met with the accident, and about 13 months after that event. There was a tremendous crowd of about 12,000 people fronting my platform, and the reception they gave me was one I shall never forget. Usually when the people are pleased to see an artiste in Russia they make a great fuss over him, shouting and welcoming him with all their might. But this night they were quite quiet and still. I got to the centre of the platform before they made a move, and I was feeling very nervous and anxious when I saw their heads bowed down and the whole crowd fell on their knees, made the sign of the Cross and thanked God for restoring me. And then the music struck up and the whole crowd joined in a Thanksgiving hymn, and all I could do was to stand there amazed and wonderstruck till old Mr. Rost, the proprietor of the gardens, a fine old man, very much like the Salvation Army General Booth in appearance, came up and addressed the audience, and then I went off with him sobbing and crying like a baby! After the tumult was over I went back and was starting to show them my tricks when they all shouted "No, no; we only want to see you; we don't want you to work to-night." But the second night! Ah! that was a big success! The novelty of the thing; the tricks with cigar, match-box, handkerchief, anything that I took hold of—that interested them, and I have been going ever since."

Mr. Cinquevalli is well known in all the European capitals—Berlin, Paris, St. Petersburg, Vienna, etc. He struck London first at the Christmas season of 1886, and then received his first offers from America. Once the long sea journeys began they grew upon him in interest. He has twice visited Australia, and is now on his second visit to New Zealand. Whether he likes New Zealand or not may be judged by his closing remark to the interviewer: "In my present standing I have no need to go where I do not want to. The New Zealand people have always given me the kindest of welcomes."

Mrs. Cinquevalli and their little daughter, who, as her father says, is never happier than when running around the stage, accompany Mr. Cinquevalli on his present tour.

Never mind the why or wherefore. You've a nasty cold, and, therefore, That it's time your health to care for You must surely recognise. Let not old-time drugs enslave you, Or the pills that grand-ma gave you, Woods' Great Peppermint Cure will save you From a premature demise.

ATHLETICS.

POSTLE V. DAY MATCH.

The result of the match between Postle and Day, over 220yds, in Johannesburg, on March 20, was cabled to New Zealand, but some particulars from the Johannesburg "Sunday Times" will be of interest. A writer in that journal says:—All roads led to the Stadium last night. The weather, which throughout the day had been threatening, served merely to increase discussion on and interest in the big event of the athletic world which had been postponed from the previous Saturday—the world's 220 yds championship race between Postle and Day. It was sharp at ten o'clock, by which time a dense crowd of many thousands looked down on the arena from all sides, the two historic runners took their trial spins. It was at once apparent, from the cries which greeted them, that the hearts of Rand Australians and Irishmen were in the race, and when the announcement was made that the Irishman had drawn the inside place the yell of "Good old Shamrock" predominated over all other sounds. Postle was first to strip, and it was a matter of seconds between the divestment of the sweaters and the order from Jack O'Connell "get set!" A few more seconds, and the pistol sent the men off. When the pair were in their holes they presented a contrast which those on the spot will long remember. The slighter, taller frame of the Australian, giving a somewhat "airy" impression. The Irishman was an embodiment of solidity and strength. With the report of the pistol the well-known sweep of the Australian's arms and the greyhound spring sent him almost into the air, well in advance of his rival. Gaining a couple of yards like a flash, Postle skimmed along, and, apparently realising his advantage slowly, drew to the inside of the track, at the same time increasing his lead with a wonderful burst along the almost straight southern side. The sharp turn to the east pulled him up a little, and the five yards' lead which he had secured was reduced to two as the Irishman sped straight north side.

However, the Australian again gathered his tremendous force, and finished, amidst a pealing thunder of applause, winner by three and a-half yards. The time, 23sec., was wonderful considering the nature of the course. Day's final effort was magnificent, but Postle was "all out" right to the finish. Determined to regain the coveted sash the Australian had given every ounce that was in him to the race, and at the conclusion completely collapsed. He was at once attended to by his trainer and friends, and, after a rest, was led in a state of collapse to the dressing-room.

AUCKLAND HARRIERS' CLUB.

The Auckland Harriers held a most successful run on Saturday, a really excellent afternoon's sport being obtained. The run took the form of a paper-chase. Key and Wilshaw, the hares, leaving the Domain at 2.30, followed five minutes later by the hounds, with Hill acting as "whip." The hares laid the trail out to the Junction Hotel, thence along the Great South Road, across paddocks to Cornwall Park, where they were sighted by the hounds. Here they placed their pursuers on a false scent, and made their way back to the Domain by crossing the railway line between the Greenlane and Remuera stations, coming out on to Market Road and proceeding along the Remuera Road, arriving at their destination at four o'clock. The hounds made their appearance at the Domain a quarter of an hour later.

It is the intention of R. E. Walker, the world's greatest sprinter, to contest the 100yds championship in London next July. He will leave for England about the first week in May, and will be accompanied by a prominent member of the Natal Association who is contemplating a six months' holiday in England and the United States. After running in London he will cross the Atlantic and compete in the Canadian and America championships. The sum of £90, which had been collected in Durban as a testimonial to Walker, is to be invested in an endowment policy, which is expected to produce £300 when he is 30 years of age. Walker will be accompanied to

England by Morton, the English champion, and will be brought up against all the best in America, including Kerr and Rector, who are turning out expressly to uphold the honour of Canada and the U.S. against the little Afrikander. It is said that feeling in the States is so keen on the matter than ex-President Roosevelt wrote personally to Rector, who had retired from the track, and asked him as a personal favour to take up cudgels against Walker.

The sub-committee, consisting of Messrs. J. B. Callan, jun., and W. Willett, appointed by the conference at Dunedin of centres of the N.Z.A.A.A., on March 20, to receive nominations and elect a new council, having received no reply from the old Christchurch council to a letter calling upon them to resign by April 28, have issued the following circular to centres:—"We hereby declare the following gentlemen, who have been nominated by centres, in accordance with the resolution passed at a conference on March 20, duly elected and to comprise the council of the N.Z.A.A.A., with headquarters at Wellington:—Auckland, C. E. Bridge and J. F. Thompson; Wellington, A. K. Newman and W. F. Larkin; Christchurch, J. W. Davie and E. Chatty; Otago, A. Marrayatt and W. H. Pollock; Southland, H. S. Robinson and A. Davies.

A Southern scribe gives the following particulars of the quarter-mile scratch race between W. F. Trembath, of Gore, and D. Sanson, of Hastings, for a stake of £25 a-side, decided at Invercargill recently. The gate takings were £13 8s 6d. The preliminary history of the race is that at the recent Irish Athletic Society's sports Sanson (who holds a professional record for the distance) and Trembath (who recently held the Australasian

amateur championship for a quarter-mile) both started off scratch, and Trembath won. A conflict of opinion as to the abilities of the men then brought about the match. When the men got on the mark Trembath had the inside position. Both got off the mark beautifully, and ran shoulder to shoulder till the pace was on, when Sanson dropped in behind his opponent. Trembath ran strongly in front against an almost head wind for about 200yds. Here the adverse wind pressure lessened as the men got round a turn in the track. Sanson at once came up, dashed to the front, and moved over to the inside. This order was maintained into the straight, where Sanson edged out, and his opponent had to hold off in order to get a straight run on the outside. This gave Sanson a further advantage, and he again spurred. Trembath made strenuous efforts to get up, but was unable to do so, and Sanson won by three and a-half yards. The winner ran a well-judged race, and clearly out-generalled his man, while Trembath was palpably nervous at the start, and appeared to run himself out during the early part of the journey. The track was not in the best of order, though it looked well to the eye, and the time (53 4-5sec) is highly creditable when the adverse wind is also considered. Private watches made the time 53 2-5sec. Trembath slightly spiked himself when he faltered at the stage of the race when Sanson passed him.

A Sheffield handicap was run in connection with the match race, also a half-mile race. In the latter both matched men ran (after the quarter-mile), Trembath running third off scratch, and Sanson (10yds) being unplaced, in 2min 4 1-5sec.

Arrangements are being made by the Feilding Athletic Club for running a Marathon Race shortly. Nothing definite has been arranged yet, but those who have the matter in hand intend to push it to a successful conclusion (says the Feilding Star.) The race, if arranged, will probably take place in June. This distance will be about seventeen miles, and will start and end at Feilding. The race will be controlled by the New Zealand Athletic Union.

If a cold you have neglected,
Till you fear your chest's affected,
There's no need to feel dejected.
You can still be quite secure.
To despair is only madness,
So away with gloom and sadness,
Take that thing of joy and gladness,
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FOOTBALL.

DISTRICT CHAMPIONSHIP DRAW.

The following is the draw for the first round of all grades of the Auckland Rugby Union district championships, which commence next Saturday. The second round follows in the same order:—

SENIOR GRADE.

- May 8: Ponsonby v. Grafton, North Shore v. City, Newton v. University, Parnell a bye.
- May 15: Ponsonby v. North Shore, Newton v. City, Parnell v. University, Grafton a bye.
- May 22: Ponsonby v. Newton, Grafton v. North Shore, Parnell v. City, University a bye.
- May 29: Ponsonby v. Parnell, Grafton v. Newton, University v. City, North Shore a bye.
- June 5: Ponsonby v. University, Grafton v. Parnell, North Shore v. Newton, City a bye.
- June 12: Ponsonby v. City, Grafton v. University, North Shore v. Parnell, Newton a bye.
- June 19: Grafton v. City, North Shore v. University, Newton v. Parnell, Ponsonby a bye.

SECOND GRADE.

- May 8: University v. City, Parnell v. Grafton, Ponsonby v. North Shore, Marist Brothers v. Newton.
- May 15: University v. Parnell, City v. Newton, Ponsonby v. Grafton, Marist Brothers v. North Shore.
- May 22: University v. Ponsonby, City v. Parnell, Marist Brothers v. Grafton, North Shore v. Newton.
- May 29: University v. Marist Brothers, City v. Ponsonby, Parnell v. Newton, North Shore v. Grafton.
- June 5: University v. North Shore, City v. Marist Brothers, Parnell v. Ponsonby, Grafton v. Newton.
- June 12: University v. Grafton, City v. North Shore, Parnell v. Marist Brothers, Ponsonby v. Newton.
- June 19: University v. Newton, City v. Grafton, Parnell v. North Shore, Ponsonby v. Marist Brothers.

THIRD GRADE.

- May 8: Marist Brothers v. City, Newton B v. North Shore B, Manukau v. North Shore A, Newton A v. Ponsonby, Parnell a bye.
- May 15: Marist Brothers v. Newton B, Manukau v. North Shore B, Newton A v. North Shore A, Parnell v. Ponsonby, City a bye.
- May 22: Marist Brothers v. Manukau, City v. Newton B, Newton A v. North Shore B, Parnell v. North Shore A, Ponsonby a bye.
- May 29: Marist Brothers v. Newton A, City v. Manukau, Parnell v. North Shore B, Ponsonby v. North Shore A, Newton B a bye.
- June 5: Marist Brothers v. Parnell, City v. Newton A, Newton B v. Manukau, Ponsonby v. North Shore B, North Shore A a bye.
- June 12: Marist Brothers v. Ponsonby, City v. Parnell, Newton B v. Newton A, North Shore A v. North Shore B, Manukau a bye.
- June 19: Marist Brothers v. North Shore A, City v. Ponsonby, Newton B v. Parnell, Manukau v. Newton A, North Shore B a bye.
- June 26: Marist Brothers v. North Shore B, North Shore A v. City, Newton B v. Ponsonby, Manukau v. Parnell, Newton A a bye.
- July 3: City v. North Shore B, Newton B v. North Shore A, Manukau v. Ponsonby, Newton A v. Parnell, Marist Brothers a bye.

FOURTH GRADE.

- May 8: Clarence v. Chelsea, Newton v. North Shore, Grafton A v. Parnell, St. Patrick's v. Ponsonby, City a bye.
- May 15: Clarence v. Newton, Chelsea v. Ponsonby, Grafton A v. North Shore, City v. Parnell, St. Patrick's a bye.
- May 22: Clarence v. Grafton A, Chelsea v. Newton, City v. North Shore, St. Patrick's v. Parnell, Ponsonby a bye.
- May 29: Clarence v. City, Chelsea v. Grafton A, Newton v. Ponsonby, St. Patrick's v. North Shore, Parnell a bye.
- June 5: Clarence v. St. Patrick's, Chelsea v. City, Newton v. Grafton A, Parnell v. Ponsonby, North Shore a bye.
- June 12: Chelsea v. St. Patrick's, Newton v. City, Grafton A v. Ponsonby, Parnell v. North Shore, Clarence a bye.
- June 19: Clarence v. Parnell, Newton v. St. Patrick's, Grafton A v. City, North Shore v. Ponsonby, Chelsea a bye.
- June 26: Clarence v. North Shore, Chelsea v. Parnell, Grafton A v. St. Patrick's, City v. Ponsonby, Newton a bye.
- July 3: Clarence v. Ponsonby, Chelsea v. North Shore, Newton v. Parnell, City v. St. Patrick's, Grafton A a bye.

THE GAME IN THE SOUTH.

Saturday's games in the South resulted as follows:—Palmerston 23, v. Old Boys 3; Feilding 7, v. Kaitoa (Palmerston) 6. Wellington: Oriental 25, v. Victoria College 0; Petone 25, v. Melrose 6; Ponke 23, v. Wellington 0; St. James 8, v. Old Boys 0; Athletic 29, v. Southern 10. In Canterbury: Old Boys 8, v. Sydenham 6; Christchurch 8, v. Albion 8; Canterbury College 3, v. Linwood 3. In Otago: Dunedin 22, v. University 8; Southern 36, v. Kaikorai 0; Alhambra 4, v. Port Chalmers 0; Zingara-Richmond 3, v. Taieri-Rovers 3; Union 0, v. Pirates 0;

Amongst the "other" matches played locally on Saturday. Clarence defeated Richmond by 14 points to 0 and Ivanhoe after a strenuous game, beat Onehunga by 4 points to 3.

The football season was opened at Paeroa on Saturday last, the minor grade match, West v. East resulting

in a win for the former by 11 points to 3. For the winners, tries were obtained by Goldsworthy, Shaw and Casley one being convicted by Gordon. Duffy scored East's only try.

The Auckland Football Association opened their season on Saturday, and the form shown on the various grounds must be considered highly satisfactory. In the senior grade Caledonian defeated Ponsonby one goal to nil, scored from a penalty kick. Corinthians never gave the Gordon eleven a chance, and won by seven goals to nil. At Devonport a very fast game between North Shore and W.Y.M.I. resulted in a draw, each side scoring two goals.

Next Saturday the football season opens in real earnest, when the district championship matches are to be commenced at Alexandra Park. With the exception of the Parnell senior fifteen, which has a bye, the other teams in the first-grade division will all be engaged in matches, and a good attendance of enthusiasts should be present both at Epsom and at the North Shore grounds.

The final practice matches were held by the various clubs on Saturday, and, judging by the excellent masters obtained in nearly all cases, players are as enthusiastic as ever. Parnell, Newton, Grafton and University held practices among themselves, the first fifteens playing the first juniors, the latter being given several extra men in order to make the games even. The City team played a scratch match with North Shore, and had no difficulty in winning by 18 points to 6. The Ponsonby senior team practised at Victoria Park, a team of eighteen picked from the juniors being their opponents.

The cup matches promoted by the Waikato Rugby Union were commenced on Saturday, but the slippery state of the ground made attractive football out of the question. In the senior grade City defeated West by three points to nil, while in the second grade West beat Suburbs by 15 points to 3. In the third grade Suburbs defeated West by 5 points to nil.

An amusing scene was witnessed on the football ground of the 2nd Cheshire Regiment—an old Salford corps—at Secunderabad recently. The ball rolled in close proximity to a cow and calf which were grazing near. As one of the Cheshires went to get the ball the cow charged him and knocked him down. With great presence of mind the soldier seized the two horns of the cow and prevented it from attempting any further tricks, but the struggles of the brute in its attempt to get away and the antics of the soldier, who hung on like grim death, produced a spectacle most ludicrous, and the remainder of the footballers and spectators as they rushed to the man's assistance were convulsed with laughter.

An international match between Germany and England, on English ground, is something of a novelty, and there was a fine crowd of lookers-on at Oxford when a fairly representative home team received a visit from a Teutonic combination. The match, which was played under association rules, resulted in the anticipated easy defeat—by 9 goals to nil, as a matter of fact—of the foreigners, who played with plenty of vigour and zest, but were all at sea in the finer points of the game.

The annual meeting of the Wednesday Rugby Union will be held this evening, when the report and balance-sheet, which shows a small credit balance, will be presented.

Under Rugby rules, Wales, at Swansea, and in the presence of over 30,000 spectators, beat Ireland after an astonishing game, by 18 points (3 goals, 1 try) to 5 (1 goal). For the first half neither side could score, the Irish forwards carrying dismay into the ranks of the Welsh would-be attackers, although the Hibernians own backs kept failing to take advantage of the many openings made for them. But after the interval the Welshmen quickly set to work to pile up a score, and barring one cleverly-gained try for the Irishmen, which was admirably converted, the wearers of the leek had pretty well all the play. Twenty-four matches have now been played between the two countries, of which Wales has won 15, Ireland 8, and one has been drawn. This completes a record for Wales, who have this season beaten Australia, England, Scotland, Ireland, and France.

While the reporters in the shed called the press-box were watching the practice match on the football ground, a red-whiskered stranger entered in a condition just ripe for argument, and asked, "Is there any old footballers among you gents?" Nobody claimed the honour, but he went on, "Then, can any of you tell me truly whether the game's got any faster than it used to be? It's to settle a bet between me and a friend." Then a reporter who knows football and football management "from the inside" looked at him sadly, and replied, "Tell your friend that football is so blooming fast nowadays that it has grown to be like the Mississippi steamboats in America. If it goes much faster it will bust itself!"

The Rugby football coach of the University of California, James R. Schaeffer, will leave San Francisco for Australia and New Zealand about 1st May to study the game as played here. He will spend about a month or so in New South Wales and Queensland before crossing to New Zealand.

The following inscription has been approved of for the late Robert Deans' memorial tablet to be placed in the Christchurch Boys' High School:— "In memoriam R. G. Deans, alumni 1897-1901, scholae principis, ludorum omnium ducis, mortui 1908, qui viribus et moribus, constantia et pietate, omnibus pueris unicum exemplum dedit, hoc monumentum posuerunt aequales et amici." The following is the interpretation:—"To the memory of R. G. Deans, pupil from 1897-1901, senior monitor, and leader in all games, died 1908, who by his strength and character, firmness and dutifulness, has given a unique example to all boys; this monument his contemporaries and friends have raised."

W. Glenn, the one-time Taranaki and New Zealand representative forward, has been appointed sole selector of Wanganui senior representative teams during the coming season.

BILLIARDS.

A match has been fixed between C. Memmott and E. J. Campbell, to take place in Melbourne next week. The ex-champion is conceding Campbell 1000 to 9000, but, so far as can be learned, no stake is being played for. Campbell has improved so much of late that his friends are confident of him stretching the old horse. Memmott is looking exceptionally well, and is devoting much time to practice, so as to be ready for any eventualities of the coming season.

Inman had little or no difficulty in asserting his right to hold the title of B.A. champion in his match against the rising young professional, A. E. Williams, who challenged for the honour and £200. The game was 9000 up, and Inman won by the comfortable margin of 1338 points. A number of century runs were made by each, but Williams secured the honour of making the only double centuries in 262 and 248.

The match for a trophy valued at £20, between F. Oswald and P. Ackroyd, took place at the Ponsonby Billiard Academy on Friday evening last, when there were about 300 spectators present. It will be remembered that in a tournament of 250 up, played the previous week, F. Oswald (rec. 40) defeated P. Ackroyd (rec. 95) by a single point, and, opinion being divided as to the better player at the

handicap, another game was arranged. On Friday evening both players were clearly far below form, and neither was responsible for anything startling in the way of breaks. Nevertheless, the game was interesting throughout, and when the scores read Ackroyd 204, Oswald 203, the excitement of the supporters of both parties was great. Oswald's play then became very erratic, and, falling completely to pieces, Ackroyd steadily piled on the points and won by the substantial margin of 42 points. In the final stages of the game Ackroyd scored 46 points while his opponent placed five to his credit. It was bad luck for Oswald to break up just when victory appeared to be his, but at the same time the winner played steadily throughout and fully deserved his success. Ackroyd's best

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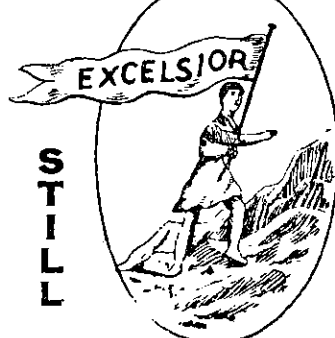
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ques were 16, 16, 11 and 10, while Oswald at different stages put together 14, 27, 13, 11 and 18. After the match opinion was again divided as to who is the better player, it being contended by some that Oswald, after getting to within a point of his opponent, should have won. However, that is just a matter of opinion, and in all probability we may hear of another match between the pair at no distant date. Mr. A. Bryant filled the position of marker and left no room for complaint, while Mr. F. Thomas, proprietor of the room, had all necessary arrangements for the comfort of both spectators and players carried out in an up-to-date manner.

BOXING.

NORTHERN BOXING ASSOCIATION'S CARNIVAL.

TIM TRACEY DEFEATS JACK GRIFFIN.

INTERESTING NOVICE BOUTS.

An ideal evening's sport, with an even, clean-fought contest as the principal attraction, sums up the verdict of the dense throng which filled His Majesty's Theatre in every part on Monday night to witness the initial carnival promoted by the Northern Boxing Association. The 15-round contest between Tim Tracey, champion of Wellington, and Jack Griffin, champion of Greymouth, for the light-weight championship of New Zealand and a purse of £50, proved the big draw it was anticipated, and patrons were treated to a keenly-contested match, in which up to the eighth round the issue was in doubt. The amateur 8st 7lb novice tournament, which drew seven entries, was productive of some fairly lively bouts, several of the contestants making a very creditable showing. Altogether the carnival was a decided success, and should go a long way towards popularising boxing in Auckland. The Northern Boxing Association is to be congratulated on the result of their enterprising efforts, and Mr. J. H. Trudgeon in particular for the energetic manner in which he attended to his secretarial duties. The following were the officials for the evening, and there was no cause left for complaint:—M.C., Mr. H. Knyvett, hon. secretary, Mr. J. H. Trudgeon; hon. treasurer, Mr. F. Yonge; referee, Mr. T. Brown; judges, Messrs. A. Plugge and F. Dyer; time-keepers, Messrs. M. Foley and A. Hamilton.

LIGHT-WEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP.

On stepping into the ring both Tracey and Griffin were seen to be in good physical condition, the former's weight being given at 9st 12lb and the latter's at 9st 10lb. Griffin had the advantage of height over his opponent, but was of much slighter build, Tracey being broad-shouldered and thicker set. Jim Griffin, who arrived from Sydney by the Wimmera on Sunday on a holiday visit to New Zealand, acted as his brother's chief adviser throughout the contest, while J. Paltridge looked after Tracey.

Shortly after the gong sounded Tracey got a hard left to Griffin's head, which, however, did not appear to trouble the Greymouth man to any extent. Then followed a quick interchange of blows in which Griffin had slightly the better of it. Smart work by Tracey was responsible for Griffin receiving several head punches, the Wellington champion scoring again with a heavy left to face before the round closed. On the first round's display Tracey gave evidence of being too clever for his opponent.

The second round opened fairly willingly, and Tracey's smartness in dodging punishment was plainly noticeable. The pair indulged in a series of clinches in which Griffin piled up points in his favour. Tracey waited an opportunity for an uppercut, but failed to land one. The concluding stage of the round saw Griffin scoring rapidly with both hands, but the punches lacked weight. Honours for the round rested with Griffin.

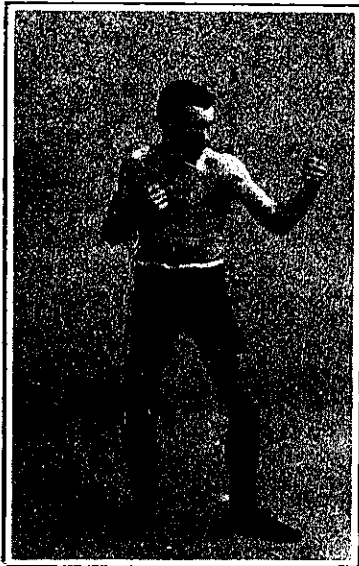
It was in the third round that Griffin looked like a certain winner. This was the most hotly-contested round of all. At its start Griffin dealt out severe punishment to Tracey with both hands, but later the Wellington man showed superiority in the in-fighting. A rush by Tracey ended in Griffin stumbling, but he was up quickly. Tracey here bore evidence of a bump over the right eye, the wound bleeding freely. Griffin rushed in with a de-

termination to finish his man, and succeeded in raining a torrent of blows on to the Wellington boxer, whose chances at this stage of the battle looked anything but rosy. Just before the round finished Tracey pulled himself together with an effort, and succeeded in landing a couple of stinging punches on to Griffin. Griffin had easily the best of the round.

Tracey in the fourth round made matters lively from the commencement, scoring with a straight left to the mouth several times. Griffin left himself open badly on one occasion, but Tracey failed to make use of the opportunity. A stinging left by Griffin found its mark, but Tracey got even with a solid left to the throat, and used the same hand effectively in finding his opponent's cheek. In this round Griffin was unable to further trouble Tracey's eye, which must otherwise have handicapped the Wellington man greatly.

At the start of the fifth round Tracey delivered a couple of ineffective punches to Griffin's body, but later the Greymouth champion stayed Tracey off with a solid punch to the head. Tracey then administered a swift uppercut which found his opponent's chin, whereupon Griffin allowed a smile to hover over his countenance. A smart interchange of blows followed, in which Griffin showed out prominently, and the round ended in favour of the Greymouth representative.

At the beginning of round six Griffin, who was perspiring freely, swung about a dozen hits on to Tracey, using both hands to advantage. Tracey, however, evened matters by bringing his left repeatedly in contact with Griffin's face. A splendid opportunity



TIM TRACEY.

of an uppercut was here let slide by Tracey, who, nevertheless, was scoring steadily. There was little to choose between the fighters at the conclusion of the round.

Round seven saw Tracey scoring heavily with left-hand punches, while a vigorous exchange of blows also ended in his favour. Using the left effectively Tracey got a solid punch under Griffin's chin, whereupon the Greymouth man chased his opponent round the ring, but was unable to get in any successful blows. A good rally followed, in which Griffin scored more frequently than his opponent, finishing the round with a powerful right uppercut, which found its mark. Griffin, if either, was most prominent in this round.

Tracey got in some good work in the close fighting in the early stages of the eighth round, and later on scored with a heavy left to Griffin's left eye. Griffin then set to work and punished Tracey severely, but the latter equalised matters by delivering a series of head punches. An attempt at a left uppercut by Tracey missed the mark, but the Wellington boxer then tried a number of hard punches with both hands, several of which took effect. Griffin, still continuing strong, chased his opponent round the ring, but the ducking and diving antics of Tracey upset his calculations. The round finished with Tracey bringing his left solidly in contact with Griffin's neck. It was here apparent to the onlookers that Tracey was gradually wearing his man down.

The ninth round opened with Griffin visibly tiring. Tracey missed an uppercut with his right, after which both men rapidly exchanged blows. Tracey scored twice with his right to Griffin's cheek, the latter jab forcing him back a couple of paces.

Griffin made a good start with the tenth round, several of his punches being effectively delivered, Tracey

being kept on the defence. A couple of light blows by Tracey found their mark on Griffin's cheek, while following up a good opportunity the Wellington man forced Griffin, who was weakening fast, to his knees. On rising it was seen that the Greymouth champion was nearing the end. Tracey then delivered several smashes to Griffin's face which unsteadied him so much that he was to all appearances a beaten man. Tracey had easily the best of the round.

Tracey opened the eleventh round by attacking vigorously, and scored twice in succession with left swings to the cheek. A right swing sent Griffin down on his knees, but the game fellow was soon up and sticking to it pluckily. Griffin, who was very weak at this stage, needed little to defeat him, and a couple of lefts by Tracey both succeeded in sending him to the boards. An effective hit under the jaw delivered by Tracey sent Griffin down again, this time for nine seconds. The latter, however, then tackled his job with renewed energy, and managed to get a couple of blows home, and the gong saved him.

The twelfth round had no sooner opened than Tracey scored several times with both hands, a hard right punch being the most effective. Griffin being still weak, was sent down with a right to the cheek, but on rising scored with a heavy right. Tracey, in the best of spirit, refrained from delivering severe punishment to his weakened opponent, and his blows were dealt sparingly. A couple of rights to cheek followed by several lefts, sent Griffin down twice, and his weak state upon getting on to his legs appealed to both officials and public alike, and the contest was declared over, Tracey being proclaimed the winner.

THE NOVICE TOURNAMENT.

The amateur 8st 7lb novice tournament created considerable interest, six bouts being decided during the evening. The stipulated number of rounds was four of two minutes each, and with two exceptions the bouts were allowed to go the full limit.

O'MEARA (Freeman's Bay) v. BOYD (Richmond): O'Meara had the advantage in the first three rounds, using both hands effectively in finding his opponent's head, while Boyd sought refuge in the clinches. In the final round, however, O'Meara's blows lacked weight, while Boyd showed improved fighting, an effective piece of work being done where he sent his right in solidly to O'Meara's head and landed his left on the latter's nose. The referee gave O'Meara the decision.

VEAL (Parnell) v. TAYLOR (Ponsonby).—During the first couple of rounds Taylor did nearly all the fighting, Veal assuming a defensive pose and stopping many of the punches with his right glove, which he kept close to his head. Veal displayed much cleverness in dodging and ducking, while in the second and third rounds he showed that he possessed a powerful left punch by landing repeatedly on Taylor's nose. Taylor, however, got in some real good work with both hands in the third and fourth rounds, while he showed superiority in footwork. Veal only made use of his left throughout, and time was called with Taylor attacking vigorously. Taylor was awarded the decision.

SMITH (City) v. MUNRO (Ponsonby).—Smith possessed a big advantage over his opponent in the matter of height and reach, but he failed lamentably to make the most of it. Munro caused great amusement with his hurricane but ineffective fighting, and was warned several times for persistently holding in the clinches. Finally the referee ordered the bout at an end in the second round, Smith being declared an easy winner.

LIGHTSIDE (Devonport) v. BOYD (Richmond).—There being only seven lads engaged in the tournament, Light-side thus not having an opponent in the first draw, it was decided to match him against Boyd, who was defeated by O'Meara. Boyd gave a skilful exhibition, showing a good variety of hits, and outpointed his opponent in every round. Boyd used the right and left with excellent effect, his left uppercuts invariably finding their mark. Both finished with blood issuing from their noses. Boyd only filling the breach, this bout, of course, did not count against Light-side, who still remained in the semi-final.

O'MEARA (Freeman's Bay) v. SMITH (City).—The semi-final between these two proved all in favour of O'Meara, who dealt out severe punishment to his taller opponent. O'Meara made the pace a cracker, and at the end of the third round had



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Smith blowing pretty hard. In the final round O'Meara landed blows repeatedly on Smith's nose, which bled profusely. Smith took his gruel in real sportsmanlike spirit, and "O'Meara wins" was received with loud cheering.

TAYLOR (Ponsonby) v. LIGHTSIDE (Devonport).—This bout proved the most uninteresting of the evening, the first round being very tame. Taylor failed to show the form displayed by him earlier in the evening, and in the second round he was sent to the floor with a hard hit on the nose. Taylor then equalised matters by delivering a solid jab which had a dazing effect on Light-side. A very lively exchange of blows followed, and the bout was stopped, Taylor being declared the winner.

O'Meara and Taylor were thus left in the final, but owing to the lateness of the hour at which the Griffin-Tracey match was finished, these two novices will meet on a future occasion. Judging by Monday night's performance O'Meara should just about secure winning honours.

JIM GRIFFIN'S WELCOME.

A feature of the evening's entertainment was the exhibition of ringcraft given by Jim Griffin, the ex-New Zealand boxer, and famous Sydney middle-weight. Griffin went through his training methods with much freedom of action, his shadow fighting being watched with exceeding interest. The popular boxer was accorded a most hearty welcome, and in a few remarks stated that he was not fighting up to his true form lately, but after a holiday and rest from continuous training he hoped to return to Australia in search of further battles.

Harry Halley consenting to box Jim Griffin three two-minute rounds, the onlookers were treated to an exhibition of the clever middle-weight in action. The first and second rounds were not of much consequence, but in the third Griffin put in some solid work. Halley acquitted himself very creditably, but the bouts were of too short duration to see either man to any advantage. Griffin's firm and solid footwork was particularly noticeable throughout, while his lunging and delivering gave the onlookers an idea of the terrible weight which he is capable of putting into his punches.

Dave Smith, the New Zealand middle-weight boxer, recently won the decision over Pat O'Keefe, Burns' sparring partner, in a 20-round contest in Queensland. The fight went the full number of rounds, and Smith's good footwork throughout is said to have saved the New Zealander a great deal of intended punishment.

Questioned regarding a match with Jack Johnson and on what terms he would fight the world's champion, Jim Jeffries is reported by the American correspondent of the "Referee" to have said: "It isn't a matter of money with me. All the money in the world wouldn't drag me into the ring if I thought I was going to be licked. If I got into shape and thought I could beat Johnson, I'd fight him for nothing. I simply want to say at this time what I've said a hundred times already—I will never enter the ring again unless I feel I am back to my old form."

Billy Elliott, the clever young New Zealand featherweight, who is at present in Sydney, was billed to fight another contest with Frank Fitzjohn at the Gaiety Athletic Club on Tuesday night last. The result of the fight will be awaited with much interest in New Zealand boxing circles.

It comes from America that Jeffries thinks if Langford and Johnson meet, Langford will win, and he would rather meet Johnson than Langford. This is not surprising, as though Langford can fight as a middle-weight, or thereabout, he is a genuine heavy-weight about the waist—just such a freak in that respect as was Fitzsimmons in his day. A few years ago Johnson won a 15-round points' decision over Langford, but since then it is claimed he has improved greatly, and the fact of Langford leading a more careful life than Johnson will land him in the ring by the time (possibly 12 months hence) Johnson decides to give his challenger a chance of snatching the championship crown—perhaps a much better man physically than the conqueror of Tommy Burns.

The New York "Evening World" publishes that Sam Fitzpatrick borrowed 2000 dollars (£400) from friends in that city to take Johnson to England with the object of giving him a much-needed lift. The ingratitude of the at present diamond bespattered son of Ham is now shown to be even greater than we at first thought it. Quoth Sam to an interviewer: "I took Johnson when he was a nobody and without a cent. Now he has 10,000 dollars and a reputation. That's my answer. I talked to him on board ship and told him if he would keep that woman in the background he could make more money. But his head was swelled. One thing is sure. I never told Johnson he could beat Jeffries. And he can't. Johnson simply can't punch. He hammered a hundred times at Burns, and it had mighty little effect."

Williams, the holder, beat Cripps in the twentieth round for the middle-weight boxing championship last week in Melbourne.

In the boxing tournament at Palmerston North last week, Watchhorn, the local lightweight, defeated Metcalfe, of Auckland, the New Zealand lightweight champion, in six rounds, Leckie, the New Zealand middleweight champion knocked out Clifton, of Palmerston, in the first round.

HOCKEY.

OPENING OF THE SEASON.

Fine weather prevailed on Saturday, when the Auckland Hockey Association opened the season at Remuera, under auspicious circumstances. An interesting programme of games and sports was negotiated and a splendid afternoons sport was provided. The following were the results of the matches and sports:—

Seven a-side tournament: Auckland and University were left to play off in the final, but as the game was played in semi-darkness a good exhibition could not be expected. However, Auckland placed two goals to their credit by the aid of Mason and Mather, while University only scored one, Jacobsen being responsible.

The second-grade competition was won by Ellerslie, who defeated Ponsonby by two goals to nil, Mark and Carr being the scorers.

The final of the third-grade competition was won by the Unitarian seven, who defeated St. Mary's by two corners to one.

In the ladies matches some good form was shown and the final between Rangitira A. and Rawhiti A. created a good deal of interest. In a fairly even contest Rangitira carried off the honours by one goal to nil.

The Wellington Association has decided to adopt what appears to be an excellent suggestion in regard to the marking out of grounds, viz., that the "five yards" line shall be dotted, thus distinguishing it from the outside line. The local association might copy this idea with advantage.

For the first time in the history of the fixture, which was instituted in 1902, Scotland gained the victory over Ireland, on Saturday. The match was played at Gilmorehill, Glasgow, and after leading by 2 goals to 1 at the interval, the Scottish eleven gained a highly creditable victory by 3 goals to 2.

Twelve annual international matches have now been played between England and Wales, and on every occasion the Welshmen have been vanquished without much effort. On Saturday, at Swansea, Wales suffered defeat by 6 to nil.

CYCLING AND MOTOR NOTES.

The French Union Velopedique recently took a vote to determine who was the most popular rider, and the choice was Thorvald Ellegaard, the Dane. While in this country he did not seem to make many friends, being somewhat reticent, even morose, at times, Ellegaard polled 417 votes against 157 for Friol; the rest being practically nowhere. Major Taylor scored 9 votes—seemingly, few for him—but Clark's total was only 2, and Macfarland worse still—merely 1; Clark, by the way, has been classed as an American by the Yankee papers—since he started winning in Europe. Still, in discussing his future movements, Clark wrote to a friend in the States (from Europe) to the following effect.—"We meaning Macfarland and himself have some very good offers to remain in Europe; but we are not sure yet, as we have also a good offer from Vailsbury (U.S.A.), and America looks good to me, even on the map. I can't see this place, even with a pair of field-glasses. I will be very glad again to be under the Stars and Stripes, for you know I consider myself an American, and actually will be one some day." I did hear that there was a possible Mrs. Clark; also that "Pedaller" Palmer had married.

Under the heading of the "Car of the Future," a contributor to an English motor journal, who evidently is a firm believer in the steam car, rightly says that to the average motorist, the employment of steam as a motive power is associated with bulky and heavy boilers, and with numerous gauges, &c., to watch. This is not in accord with modern methods of steam generation using flash generators, which has been explained in this column; and it has been demonstrated that, power for power, the engine on a modern steam car weighs less than that on a petrol-car, and that the fuel efficiency under running conditions is practically the same for both, owing to the losses of power in the gearbox of a petrol-car.

Referring to the article again, the writer concludes as follows:—"My own idea is that a power-plant can be produced which will be a combination of the internal and external combustion systems. . . . It is not a generally known fact, that highly superheated steam contains a fair proportion of oxygen, due to dissociation, and my experience leads me to believe that an engine could be constructed in which the steam would do work in the cylinder, in the ordinary way, by expansion, and then further work would be obtained by the injection of a small quantity of fuel, which would be burnt by the oxygen in the steam."

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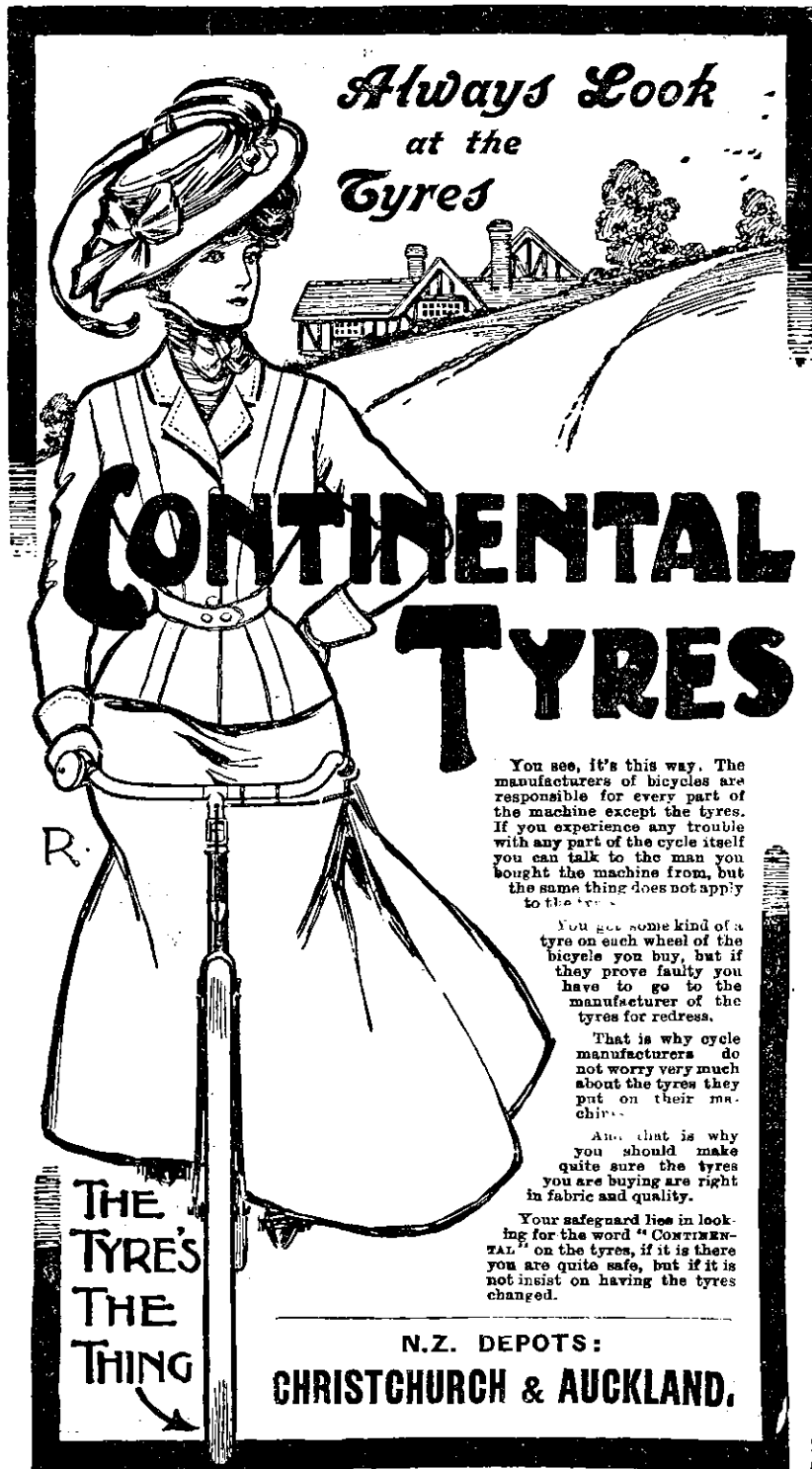
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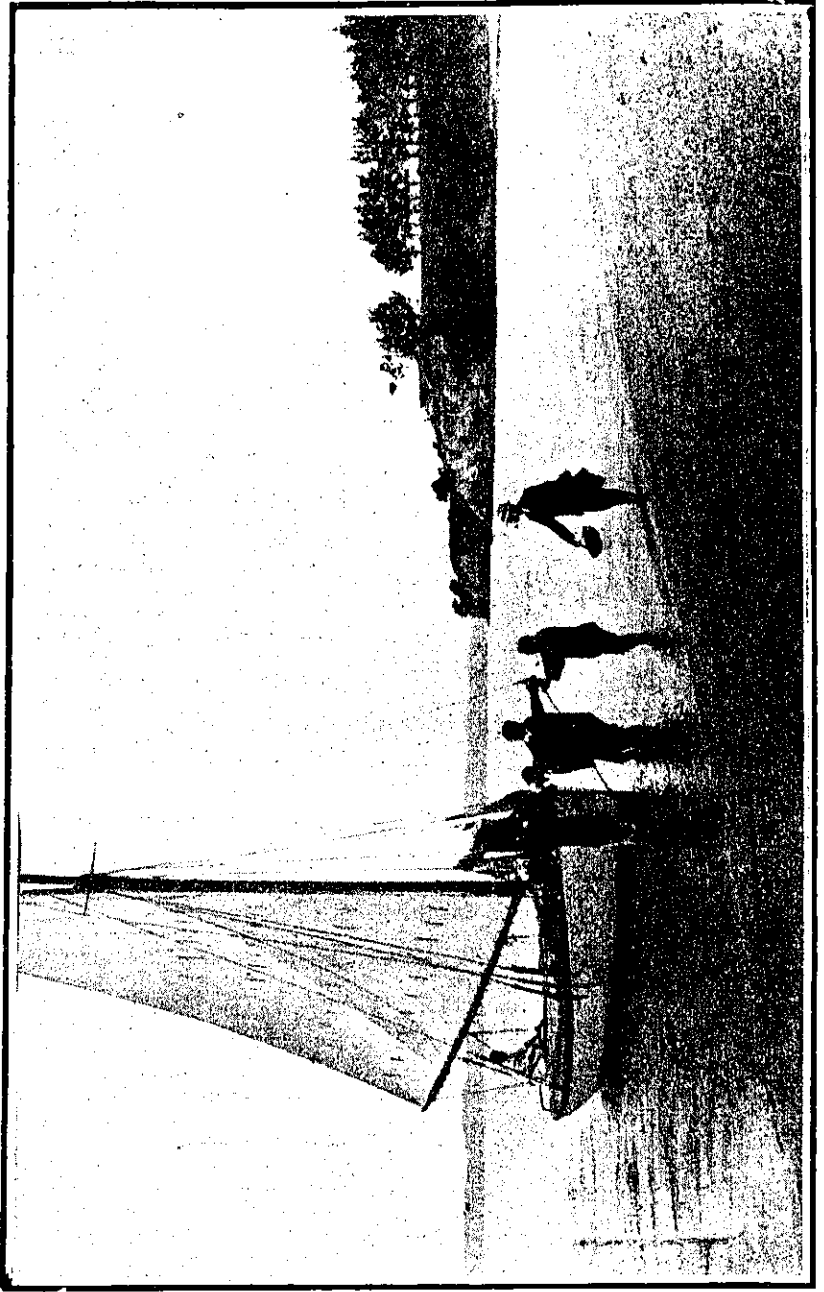
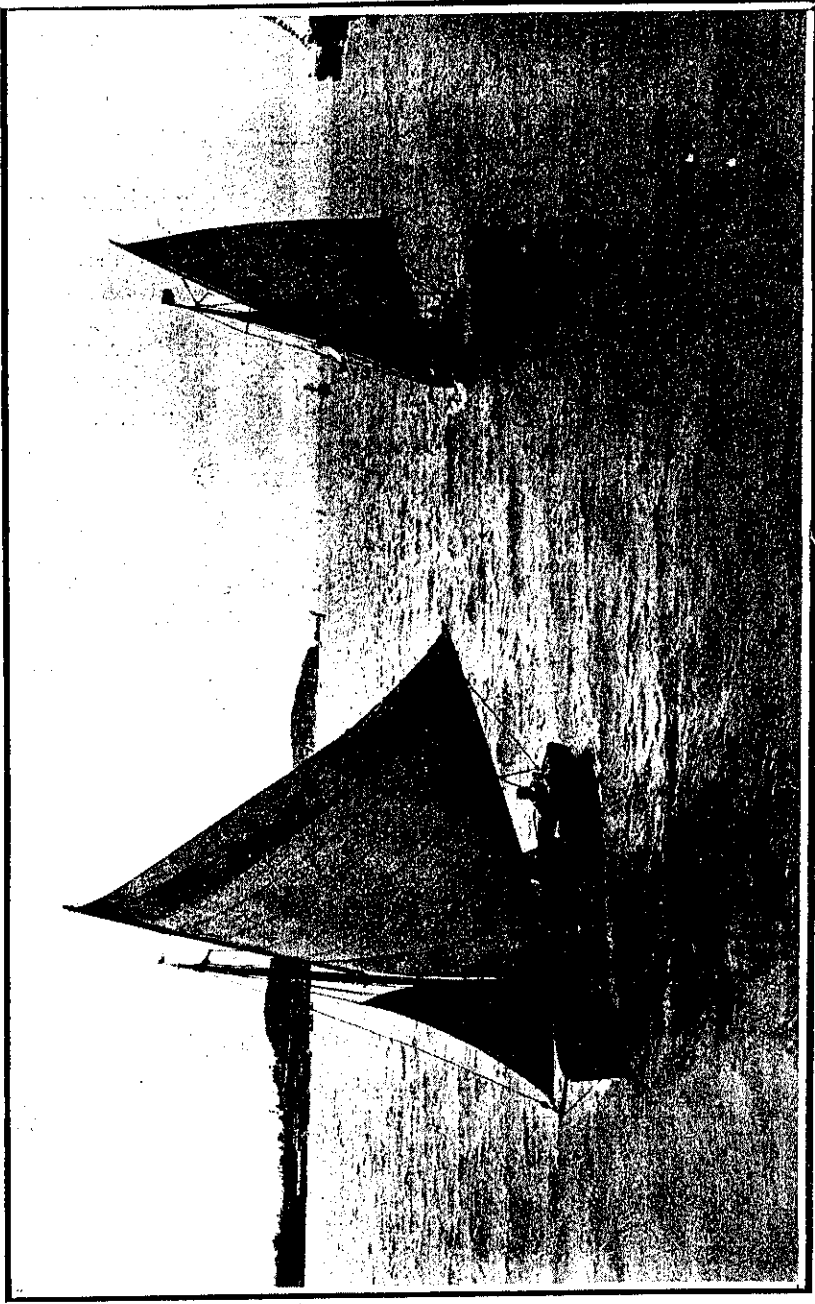
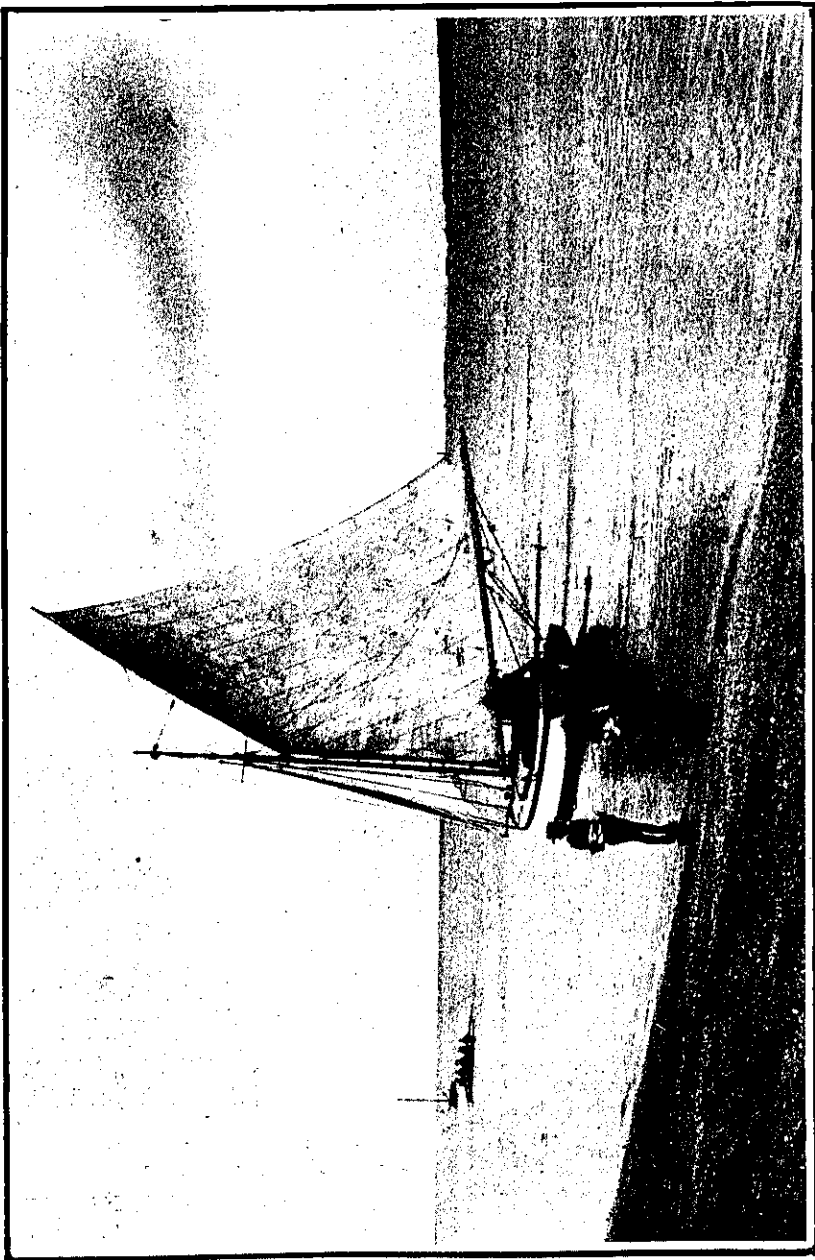
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A house packed in every part, presenting from floor to ceiling a great sea of eagerly expectant faces, greeted the opening of Rickards' Vaudeville Novelty Company at His Majesty's on Tuesday evening. Several of the artists "billed" to appear were old favourites with Aucklanders, the two or three new members being heralded as performers of great promise, and above them all were "Cinquevalli, the Incomparable," and the Latonas—Frank and Jen. Cinquevalli is, of course, the bright and particular star of the company, and the greatest interest consequently attached to his brilliantly sensational turn, the excellence of which is beyond all question. It seems impossible for the ingenuity of man to devise more marvellously clever feats in balancing than those so successfully accomplished by this Prince of Jugglers. His every action is, with the help of his very clever assistant, of whom it may be well said that his face is his fortune, invested with a certain quiet humour that appeals irresistibly to the crowd, and relieves the more sensational of the feats accomplished from the trying sense of the possible danger involved in their performance. This byplay, admirable as it is, to a certain extent robs the business of its wonderful character, although it certainly adds to the amusement of the audience. Cinquevalli's manipulation of the billiard balls and cues, and the ease with which he catches them in the pockets attached, billiard table fashion, to the green vest he dons for the occasion, is very fine. The balls cannon off one another into front, back, side, top or bottom pockets, as the performer wishes. Thrown in mid-air, they are caught as cleverly in the same way, with never a miss to mar the action. Then he plays with a heavy cannon ball as easily as if it were a child's ball, sends it whither he wishes, catches it on his neck, his back, his arms, and (wearing a special helmet to protect himself) on his head. He playfully rolls it round his neck and shoulders, and then, in vivid contrast, juggles just as cleverly with a bit of paper, handling both the ball and paper as if they were the one weight. More wonderful in its way is the skilful fashion in which he plays a glass of water, filled to the brim, and placed in a wooden triangle. Balancing the latter on a stick, he whirls it through the air at a great speed, and then, releasing it, shows that not a drop has been spilt from the glass. Finally, he caps a unique performance by lifting a chair, in which his assistant is seated, with a table on his knees, in mid-air, and, holding the whole weight in his teeth, carries it the full length of the stage.

Frank and Jen Latona give a capital musical entertainment, full of quaint humour and catching melodies, that make them prime favourites. Jen laughs so merrily, sings so musically, "cracks" her quaint little jokes so humorously, and does everything with an air of such mingled simplicity and knowingness that the crowd is always loth to let her go. Encore after encore was given and responded to, the brightness of the turn making it particularly acceptable. Miss Namon and Mr. Lawson, in the ball punching and trick cycling business, are very diverting, and their turn also was much appreciated. The Scottish Meisters sing well together, and give a clever sketch, full of rollicking humour, called "Ancestral Spirits." Miss Fanny Powers, with her imitation of well-known actresses, and her dance act, gains much applause. Miss Maunsell and Mr. Arthur Harris contribute

songs and a duet that are well received, and Tom Dawson, in his character songs, scored well. The patter comedians and specialty dancers, Guest and Newlyn, with their clever little entertainment, bring a very enjoyable and much appreciated programme to a close.

OPERA HOUSE.

CINEPHONE AND PICTURES.

The usual weekly change of programme was made at the Opera House on Saturday evening, when there was the usual good attendance. The films shown are much varied, and highly interesting from beginning to end. A splendid film is "A Colonial Romance," showing two lovers conversing, and a villainous suitor watching the pair. The villain wins his chance and presses his suit, but the lover comes upon the scene and orders the villain off. The latter then obtains the aid of a tribe of Indians, and abducts the girl, but, as usual, the lover comes to the rescue, and everything ends well. "Satan's Smithy" shows where Satan approaches the smith and offers, for the man's soul, to change every nail to gold, and eventually the smith is led down to lower regions, but the daughter arrives and frees her father. "The Canals of Copenhagen" is a splendid film, and proves interesting. "Honour's Sake" depicts when the daughter of a naval officer, in the latter's absence, is made love to by a man, who must be challenged and fought before the father's honour can be satisfied. Some beautiful Mediterranean scenes are shown in the picture. Perhaps the most interesting film is that showing the manufacturing of a Dreadnought gun. A pathetic story is told on the screen in "Hate Between the Races." A half-caste child is ill-treated by a planter, and the father of the child vows revenge, and at once procures a gun and waits for the planter. However, instead of shooting the planter, the latter receives the bullet. The murderer is captured and hanged before the eyes of his sorrowing wife and child. During the evening the cinephone renders "If the Man in the Moon Were Coon" and a sneezing song, the latter especially being highly appreciated. The humorous element is provided in "Hunting Extraordinary," "An Egg Race," "An Awkward Return," and "A Lover's Obstinacy," the latter being extremely funny. The present programme will be shown till Saturday evening, when the usual change will be made.

ROYAL ALBERT HALL.

PATHE PICTURES.

That the high standard of picture entertainments provided nightly at the Royal Albert Hall is meeting with popular favour by patrons of this branch of pastime is very evident if one may judge by the large audiences which they draw. And the success is well merited, as Mr. Hayward is making it a point to keep right up with the times, and places before his patrons the very best films available. The change of programme which took place last evening is not behind any of its predecessors in the matter of quality, and as clearness is a very conspicuous feature, should command good houses. The principal item in the programme is a dramatic film entitled "Under Northern Skies," and shows two comrades working in the same camp. All goes well until the Lumber King's daughter makes her appearance, when the former relations existing between the companions become strained. The hero finds the paymaster unconscious, and, after reviving him, finds that his comrade has turned thief. He shields the latter and the girl he things he has lost, and takes the guilt upon his shoulders, but his well-meant effort proves fruitless, for the guilty man, unable to bear the sacrifice, breaks down, confesses all, and leaves the girl to the man she misjudged but loved. Two scenic films shown are "Moscow under Snow" and "The Cascades," and both prove highly interesting. "Crocodile Hunting" proves very entertaining, and the manner in which the hunters go about their work is clearly shown on the sheet. "The Handy Man" and "Life on a Battleship" are two naval pictures which are instructive, and were well received. Those who incline towards the comic side are well catered for in "A Drunkard's Fancies" and "Main-Law's Hard Life," these two films especially causing much laughter. Various other films are shown, and, together with those mentioned above, make up a picture entertainment which should prove a good draw during the week.

Greenroom Gossip.

By "Footlights."

CINQUEVALLI, PRINCE OF JUGGLERS!

An interesting interview, embracing the story of Cinquevalli's entry into the World of Juggling, appears on page 9 of this issue.

THE ROYAL COMIC OPERA COMPANY.

J. C. Williamson's Royal Comic Opera Company closed down a very successful season of three weeks in Wellington on Saturday, concluding, as they began, with a packed house. "The Girls of Gottenberg" was the final production. The company played at Masterton on Monday, at Wanganui on Tuesday and last evening, and are at Palmerston to-day and to-morrow.

THE POLLARDS.

Pollard's Juvenile Opera Company is on its way South, and has been playing to good houses at Waihi and Paeroa. The company appears at Hamilton to-morrow, and again on Saturday.

"THE BLACK TYKES."

Mr. M. Marcus, who is now in Auckland with Rickards' Novelty Co., is in receipt of reliable information that a Broken Hill (N.S.W.) syndicate has been formed with the object of bringing out the celebrated Cornish band known as "The Black Tykes" for a tour of Australasia. "The Black Tykes" have gained a high reputation as one of the crack military bands of Great Britain, and are said to be even better than The Besses o' th' Barn.

"CINDERELLA" COMING.

Writing from the Criterion Theatre, Sydney, on the 24th ult., Mr. G. Holman Barnes tells me that the "Cinderella" Pantomime Company is due in Auckland on May 24, and will open at the Opera House on that date. The company put up a wonderful record in Melbourne, establishing (so Meynell and Gunn claim) a world's record for a run of pantomime. The play is being brought to New Zealand in its entirety—artists, principals, and scenery, and will constitute one of the biggest theatrical undertakings that has ever been launched in New Zealand.

A FAIRY BOUDOIR TOILETTE.

"Cinderella" is notable for many fine scenes, but the most magnificent of all is said to be the Fairy Boudoir Toilette, concerning which the Melbourne "Argus" said:—"Marvels of scenery are always expected in productions of this kind, and they are there in 'Cinderella.' The first act, commencing with a remarkable scenic illusion, depicting the haunted corridor, gradually rises in crescendo of magnificence until it culminates in Cinderella's fairy boudoir—Mr. Phil Goatcher's masterpiece. This scene itself is constructed on the crescendo principle, fresh and unimagined beauty being revealed at every stage of it. It presents all that Cinderella requires to make her fairy toilet for the great ball at the Prince's palace. There are beautiful girls representing perfumes, others representing lace, forget-me-nots, jewels, bouquets, and drapery. The scene is completed by the entrance of a marvellous coach, apparently built out of electric lights. This is the coach, glittering with real cut glass and a blaze of electric light, which takes Cinderella to the ball. The scene called forth the greatest enthusiasm on Saturday night. Again and again the curtain was raised, but not till Mr. Phil Goatcher himself came out to acknowledge the plaudits of the audience did the cheers subside."

"THE PRINCIPAL BOY."

New Zealand will see for the first time Miss Meredith Meredro, the principal boy of Meynell and Gunn's "Cinderella" pantomime, who has become one of the most popular of all stage favorites in Melbourne. Miss Meredro is rather unique as a principal boy, in that she has had a grand opera training. She is an American, having been born in far-off Denver, Colorado, where her people have a ranch. She made her mark some years ago as a singer, having won a scholarship open to the whole of the United States, and was sent to Vienna, free of all cost, to complete her training. Here she appeared in grand opera with great success, and sang before the Emperor of Austria, who presented her with a brooch studded

with diamonds. In New York, Miss Meredro appeared in grand opera at the Metropolitan Opera House, where she created the part of the Flower Maiden in "Parsifal", and also appeared in "La Boheme" in which Melba was the star. Subsequently Miss Meredro joined the comic opera stage, and last year was principal boy in the pantomime at Drury Lane, London. She is as beautiful to look at as to listen to, has great personal charm and a fine personality, and is the sort of actress. It is said, that an audience takes to immediately. This will be her only visit to New Zealand, as she is engaged to be principal boy in the pantomime at Drury Lane next Christmas.

MISS RUTH LINCOLN.

The leading lady of Meynell and Gunn's Comic Opera Co., is Miss Ruth Lincoln. A vivacious actress and a delightful singer, Miss Lincoln combines with her vocal and histrionic talent a most attractive stage presence and a charming personality. Though she has only been on the stage for about six years, she is already in the front rank of comic opera artists. Prior to joining the theatrical profession Miss Lincoln won a scholarship at the Royal College of Music, London, where she studied for three years under the famous Henry Blower, who was also Madame Clara Butt's teacher. She had intended devoting herself to concert work only; but Mr. George Edwardes happened to hear her sing one day, and immediately got her to sign a contract for two years. Miss Lincoln commenced her stage career in "The Girl from Kay's", and was understudy to Miss Kate Cutler. After that, she created the principal part in "Madame Sherry" at the Apollo, London, and was a great success, though she had only three days in which to prepare. Then came her notable appearance as Veronique, in London, followed by a two years' tour in the Provinces in that role. Prior to coming to Australia, Miss Lincoln was a prominent member of Mr. Frank Curzon's company at the Prince of Wales' Theatre, London. She takes the part of "Cinderella" in the pantomime of that name.

MISS AMY CASTLES.

We now learn definitely that Miss Amy Castles will open her Australian tour in Melbourne in August. After completing a series of concerts in the city where the Hidalgo girl made her memorable debut, Messrs. J. and N. Tait will fix dates for Sydney, other capitals and New Zealand centres, with an extended tour of the country towns to follow. Miss Castles is returning with all the advantages following on what would have been, to a less accomplished artist, the ordeal of singing before the leading critics of Great Britain, and the Continent. While it may be readily assumed that Miss Castles has never doubted the warmth of an Australian welcome, it must be all the more gratifying to her to come home again with the added strength of a European reputation. Few singers are favoured with an appreciation such as was expressed by a leading London critic, who attended a concert which attracted a packed audience of 3,000 people in the Queen's Hall. "With a voice of exquisite purity", this authority wrote, "a delivery of perfect ease, a compass of the widest range, a physical power and abandon, marvellous in the extreme, she thrilled her audience as she played, literally played, with the jewelled notes of her voice-swept passion, enticed sympathy and touched the ear with perfect intonation and modulation. The scene of enthusiasm was extraordinary as the young artist left the platform and the enthusiasm was as great in the Orchestra as in the auditory."

THE MELBA CONCERTS.

Madame Melba gave the last concert of her Wellington season in the Town Hall on Tuesday evening. The building was crowded, the estimated attendance being 3500. Hundreds were turned away.

EXPLOITING AN ILLUSION.

Mr. James Stirton (according to the "Buller Miner") claims to have discovered the secret of Maskelyne and Devant's world-famous illusion entitled, "Will, the Witch, and the Watchman," which claim, if proven, entitles Mr. Stirton to a reward of £500 offered by the company. Mr. Stirton has given several private performances to the complete satisfaction of those present. A syndicate has been formed for the purpose of exploiting the discovery.

THE AUSTRALIAN GIRL.

Miss Florence Young, the leading soprano with the Royal Comic Opera Company, which opens in Auckland shortly at His Majesty's, when interviewed during her recent successful season in Wellington by a "Dominion" representative, was asked how the Australian girl compared with the English. "What, chorus girl?" she replied. "Oh, I think favourably. The Australian girl," she said "has more adaptability—she has to sing, dance, and act, whilst at Home there is more specialisation—the chorus is more distinct from the ballet there than here. I think the Australian girl more nearly resembles the American, English girls seem so hemmed in by conventionality and their outlook is so narrower. Our girls are freer, brighter, and more natural. Of course, there are hundreds of quite charming girls on the London stage, and mine is but an impression from personal observation, but I think I am pretty right in the main."

THE WIDOWED MRS. SHERIDAN.

Johnny Sheridan's widow and little girl are in England. Mrs. Sheridan, skilled in song and dance, is a member of a sketch company touring the music-halls.

A CORNISH MANNIKIN.

The Cornish Pixie, a mannikin with a mysterious history, holds receptions at 198 Pitt-street, Sydney every day. This remarkable little man weighs just 9 1/2 lb., and is 25 1/2 in. in height. His name is unknown, likewise his age, which may be anything between 40 to 70 years. He was discovered by Captain Neville on the Cornish coast, and it is believed was being brought by a Mexican showman to London, and was a survivor from a shipwreck. Even the Pixie's language is unintelligible to philologists, though he is rapidly acquiring the English tongue.

WILL HE ACCEPT?

Leslie Stuart, composer of the "Florodora" music, has received from the Shuberts an offer of an annuity for life in return for an option of the American rights of all the music he may write in the future. Ten years ago a similar offer was made to Clyde Fitch by the late Sam S. Shubert. To Mr. Fitch was offered a cash bonus of \$60,000 for all his work. Mr. Fitch declined it.

"CAUGHT BY THE RISING TIDE"

The latest feature at the London Hippodrome is a spectacle entitled, "The Sands of Dee," which culminates in the rescue of the heroine, gagged and bound to a stake planted on the beach, just as the rising tide sends in great breakers which nearly overwhelm the girl. Nine huge rollers sweep across the stage, in a most realistic manner, and the hero, on the back of a swimming horse, barely reaches the unfortunate heroine as the water laps about her shoulders. The apparatus necessary for the production of waves is very simple. Seventy-nine feet above the stage, in the flies, are three great tanks, each capable of holding five tons of water and fitted with an arrangement whereby the water may be discharged in a solid mass as though the bottom had fallen out. A "wave-producing board" is built upon the stage immediately beneath the tanks, extends across the full width of the proscenium opening, and is concave in form, with the back ten feet high and the front edge only about twelve inches above the concave trough. The falling water swirls as it strikes the hollow of this board and is projected in a solid sheet about thirty feet into the air before it breaks in the arena. A black cloth and water-proof paint aid materially in creating the illusion. Nine "waves" dash into the arena at intervals of six seconds and the roar of the "breakers" is very similar to the surf. A high-pressure main fills the tanks in three seconds after they are emptied.

BANNED BY THE CENSOR.

A burlesque of "An Englishman's Home" was to have been done by "The Follies" at the Apollo Theatre, London, but the censor refused to license the sketch, so it was withdrawn.

MADAME CARRENO.

Madame Carreno, the celebrated pianist, is to pay another visit to Australasia later in the year. Madame has played at over 90 concerts since September.

"THE WHITE MAN'S LAND."

Mr. Randolph Bedford's military drama entitled "Australia, or the White Man's Land," is shortly to be produced at the King's Theatre, Melbourne. It deals with a probable invasion of Australia by the Japanese.

"THE FLAG LIEUTENANT."

That invariable sign of a popular success in London—the hundredth performance—was reached last month by "The Flag Lieutenant," which will be one of this year's dramatic offerings by J. C. Williamson to playgoers on this side of the world.

WOLFE'S SCHNAPPS

The family stimulant.

MR. WALTER BENTLEY.

It is said Mr. Walter Bentley, well known in Australia a decade ago, and a noted Shakesperian actor, is leaving London shortly for Australia for health reasons.

A VALUABLE FINGER NAIL.

Padre Padevewski, while playing a Beethoven Sonata in America, split to a slight extent, the nail of the first finger on his right hand. The injury, though trivial, was sufficient to warrant the cancellation of an engagement at Philadelphia and to collect an insurance of £1000.

MISS AMY MURPHY.

Miss Amy Murphy, the Dunedin soprano, gave a successful invitation recital at St. James Hall, Sydney, on evening recently. She wore a beautiful gown of pale blue crepe de chine, and sang some beautiful songs by London Ronald, Dvorak, and Benedict, as well as "Mon coeur s'ouvre" from "Samson and Delilah" (Saint-Saens), the mad scene from "Hamlet" (Ambroise Thomas), and Se Saran by Arditi. Miss Murphy was accompanied by her mother, Mrs. Murphy, who wore black ninon de soie.

VAUDEVILLE IN AMERICA.

America has a reputation for doing big things. A new vaudeville house erected in Chicago is to cost \$2,000,000. It will seat 2200 people and smoking is to be allowed.

THE YOUNGEST OF FIVE.

Miss Fanny Dango, of the Royal Comedians, is the youngest of five sisters. Their family name is not Dango, but Rudge, and all the sisters are on the stage. The head of this theatrical family is Miss Letty Lind, the gaiety dancer; then comes Miss Millie Hill, pantomime and variety artist; Miss Adelaide Astor, who married Geo. Crossmith, jun., actor, and author of "The Girls of Gottenberg"; and Miss Lydia Flopp, who plays with Mr. Edwardes' companies.

HER BIG HIT.

One of the most valuable assets of Fanny Fields, who is making a big "hit" in "Aladdin" in

the Theatre Royal, Newcastle (Eng), is her laugh, which is spontaneous, natural, and, above all, highly infectious, as the little lady's audiences soon discover. Questioned by a pressman recently, Miss Field said: "My laugh! Well, it had rather a humorous origin. I was playing a soubrette part in 'Our Boys' in California, and in one scene I had to throw some ashes out of a window. One night, when I had thrown the shovelful out (they were real ashes), I noticed too late that the man who was playing the detective was standing by the window directly in the line of fire. He got the whole thing in his face, and I heard a splutter. The humour of the thing took me on the spot, and, forgetting I was on the stage, I just dropped the shovel, and shrieked with laughter. Afterwards I tried to keep out of the stage-manager's way, but it was no use, he was looking for me, and he found me. To my surprise, however, instead of rating me, he said: 'My dear girl, if you can do that laugh every time there's a fortune in it.' And that set me going."

"BIOLEADERSCOPIED!"

"The Morning Leader" (London) recently offered £100 for the best title for moving pictures of the paper's news every day. Then subscribers were successful in securing £10 each, with the word, "Bioleaderscope." Some other amusing and clever descriptive titles were sent in, such as "Information in formation," "Warm Life in Cold Print," "From Tape to Type," "Illuseparagrams," etc. No one appeared to have struck the word Cinewscape, which about covers everything.

BIOSCOPE ENGLISH!

"English as she is bioscoped" provides much that is amusing. A subtitle of one film reads, "Tortured by the poison, Tylda seeks to dye amidst her lions." One wonders what colour. A letter in another film, "Saved by a Dream," reads, "Your film is so pleased with your work that we make you manager." But certainly the most humorous of the lot was a cavalry film, which on one title film was spelt "Calvary," and another "Cavelry." Bioscopic "English" is evidently a law unto itself.

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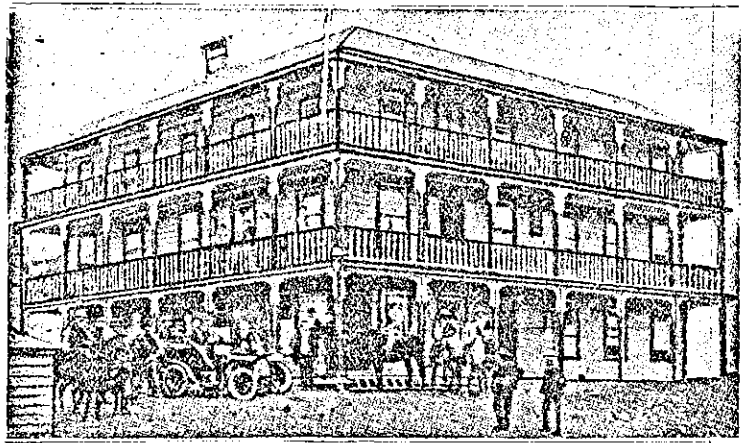
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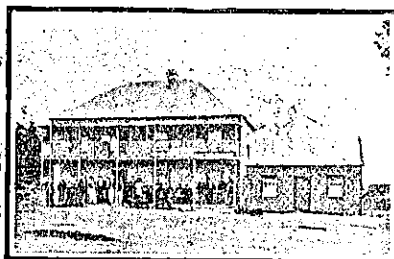
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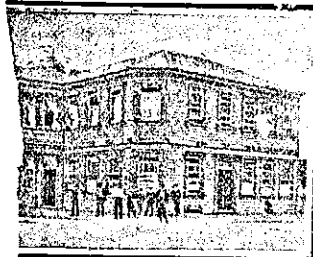


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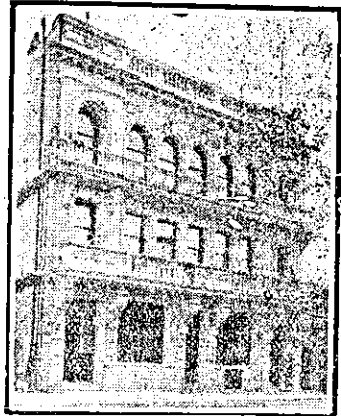
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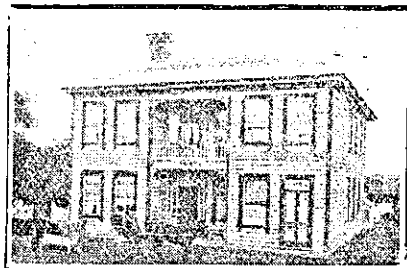
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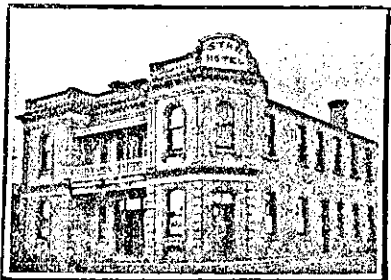
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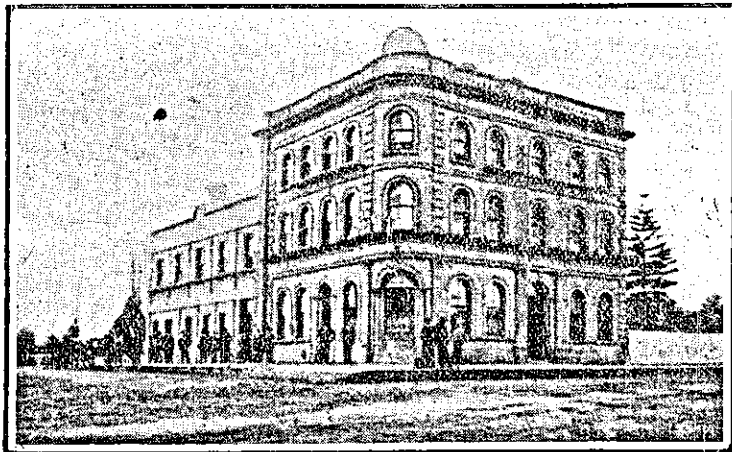
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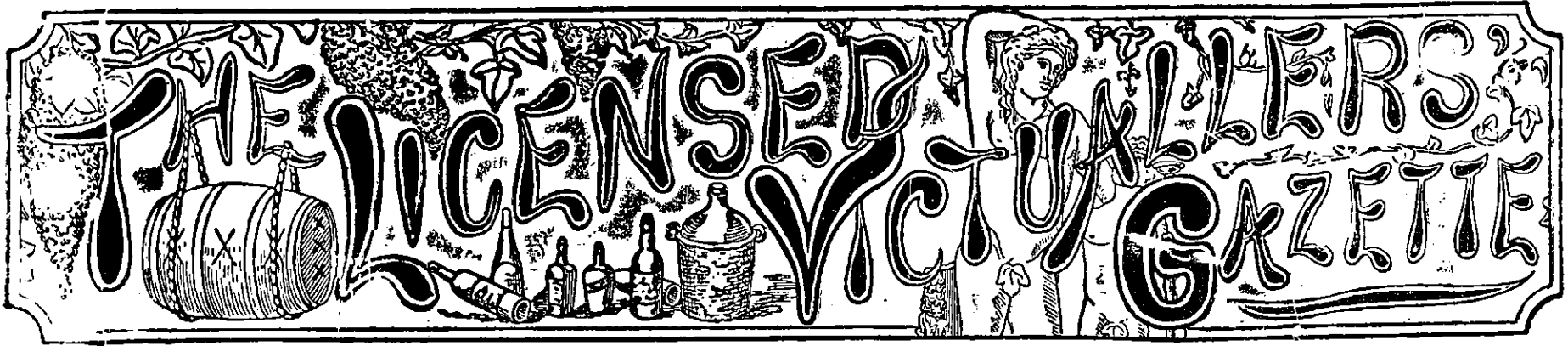
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A TRADE CHALLENGE.

ADDRESSED TO THE TEMPERANCE PARTY.

A GRAVE SITUATION.

What an Australian Trade journal terms a grave situation has been created in New South Wales by the clear cut challenge issued by Mr. J. B. Sutton, President of the United Licensed Victuallers' Association, to the temperance party to go before the people on the single issue, "Whether there should be prohibition pure and simple or the continuation of the license." The challenge, the Australian Brewers' Journal states, will undoubtedly be accepted, and, therefore, it urges that the Trade should state the true case of the matter in a calm and dispassionate manner. Nearly every member of the trade is as much a moral advocate as the most rabid fanatic in the pulpit, and has far more common sense. The great public has most timely thrown off the clutch of superstition; but tradition still lives, and it is hard to make people repudiate the sophistries by which they were enchained, and of which they were too often enamoured.

ITS SIMPLICITY COMMENDABLE.

Mr. Sutton, our contemporary says, is to be congratulated on the simplicity of his challenge, because it brings the matter to a point without any of the intentions so skillfully introduced by the Temperance party in the examination of a question of the very first importance. On the merits we should say there would be little doubt in the minds of men who have not imbibed the pernicious doctrines of fanaticism; but there is something of far greater importance to be considered than the mere drinking of a glass of honest beer, which our fathers have drunk during all the centuries and which accompanied them while they made the Anglo-Saxon name the glory of the earth.

ANGLO-SAXONS AND LIBERTY.

We Anglo-Saxons have made our name synonymous with personal liberty. If we look at the records of France, Germany, Italy, and Spain, we find that the man has in every instance been subservient to the State, and in many cases the conditions remain the same after the lapse of centuries of discontent. In Great Britain and Ireland attempts have been made to introduce similar conditions, but every attempt has invariably failed, although for the most part they were based on most plausible pretences. One of the most potent of these pretences was religion, or rather, what is called religion. All the old enticements of a future Heaven, and all the old horrors of a coming Hell, were tried to bring men into submission; but the good, honest Anglo-Saxon sense ultimately burst all the fetters which men tried to throw round their neighbours' limbs. Catholicism tried it and failed; Protestantism tried it and failed—just as ignominiously. At this moment another artful trial is being made, and it also is certain to fail—ignominiously as all its predecessors have done.

THE TRUE ISSUE AT STAKE.

There is (our contemporary asserts) a great deal of misunderstanding about this matter. No brewer nor licensed victualler is an apologist for drunkenness, which all brewers and publicans detest, perhaps more cordially than the most rabid teetotalers. The brewer and publican recognise that in the slow process of evolution drunkenness in a short time will be unknown—a dead thing of the past—but they know also the moderate use of alcohol is beneficent and beneficial,

and that with it the Anglo-Saxon race has grown to what it is. It is a magnificent record that race has, and beer had a good deal to do with building that record up. The main question, therefore, is whether or not we should interfere with the orderly processes of evolution, and at the same time allow the State, at the dictation of fanaticism to exercise a tyranny indirectly, which has directly been one of the worst scourges of humanity. Whether any man should drink a glass of beer, especially on a Sunday, is after all, a matter of indifference; but it is really of importance whether his own wishes should be respected or not, so long as he does not interfere with the wishes of his neighbours. No man has any right to interfere with, or even criticise, another man's way of living the life imposed on him by a fate with which he has no option.

PENALISING THE TRADE.

MR LLOYD GEORGE'S NEW BUDGET

The Liberal Government at Home hits the brewers and publicans severely with its new Budget proposals. Faced with a deficit of sixteen millions or thereabouts, Mr. Lloyd-George proposes to place an additional duty of 3s. 9d. per gallon on spirits, which he estimates will bring in £1,600,000; to increase the beer tax, and to revise the liquor licenses by raising a uniform percentage on the capital value, which is expected to produce £2,600,000. Tobacco also suffers, with an additional duty of 8d. per pound on the manufactured article, that is estimated to bring in £1,900,000. The effect of these new duties, which have been already approved by a substantial majority in the House of Commons, has been to increase the price of beer by a penny per pint, and to add a similar sum to the cost of a glass of spirits. That is from the public side. Their effect on the Trade may, perhaps, be best gauged by Mr. Balfour's statement, made in the House of Commons on Tuesday, that in the case of one firm alone the new burdens placed upon the liquor trade would amount to £35,000, or £7000 more than it distributed to its ordinary shareholders. "You can," Mr. Balfour said, "almost hear the swish of the scorpion being applied to those unfortunate victims of Government indignation." The license proposals, Mr. Balfour contended, sounded the death knell to every house not tied to a brewer, and while English beer is taxed to the hilt, no corresponding tax has been imposed on the lighter beers imported from Bavaria. With the usual Free Traders' idea of patriotism, Mr. Lloyd-George evidently thinks that British brewers should welcome the freer importation of foreign beer to their own undoing.

TRADE TOPICS.

Tenders have been called for painting work at the Waverley Hotel, Queen Street.

Mr. C. T. Gibson, of the Criterion Hotel, Paeroa, has completed the negotiations for the purchase of Mr. E. H. White's interest in the Settlers Hotel, Whangarei. We regret to learn that Mrs. White has not been enjoying good health lately, and we hope that a rest from business will bring a speedy return to the best of health.

Mrs. S. A. Vollemaere, will continue in the business of the Railway Terminus Hotel, and is applying for the license held by her late husband.

The world's largest grape vine is to be found in Hamburg, Germany. It was planted in 1771, and is now 60in. in circumference.

Mr. T. B. O'Connor, who has had a lengthy spell of private life, has returned to the Trade again, having purchased Mr. J. H. Turnbull's interest in the Alexandra Hotel. Mr. O'Connor has had very many years of Auckland hotel-keeping experience, his last house being the Thames Hotel.

At Taihape last week, a man named Frederick Armstrong, head waiter at the Gretna Hotel, was arrested on a charge of theft of £3 from the Gretna Hotel safe. It is stated that several other charges are pending against the same accused.

At the present time there is said to be a number of enquiries for hotels in Auckland, and many changes are rumoured.

Mr. T. C. Bass, who for many years was Chief Steward in the Union S.S. Coy's employ, has given up the sea for hotel-keeping, having purchased Mr. W. Montgomery's interest in the Northern Wairoa Hotel at Dargaville. Mr. Bass having had long experience of the travelling public and of catering, particularly in the Island trade, should prove an ideal hotel-keeper. We look forward to his assumed success.

The Silich vineyard, at Hukatere, illustrates the suitability of the North Auckland climate for wine culture, an enormous crop of beautiful grapes being produced this year, and over 1000 gallons of first-class wine being made. This is a large increase upon the output for last year.

Algerian vineyards produce more grapes to the acre than any others.

A charge of supplying beer to an intoxicated person was recently brought against a barmaid in Wellington. The evidence for the defence proved that the liquor was not supplied direct to the individual in question, but to another man, who passed it on. The charge was dismissed.

£2192 10s was collected in Auckland for beer duties last month. In the corresponding month last year £2313 1s 5d was collected.

In his Budget speech in the House of Commons, last week, Mr. Lloyd George (Chancellor of the Exchequer) estimates that an increase of 8d per pound on manufactured tobacco would yield £1,900,000, and an increase of 3s 9d per gallon on spirits would yield £1,600,000. The revision of liquor licenses and a uniform percentage on the annual value would produce £2,600,000.

Duties on beer, wines, spirits, and opium are the only one in force in the Straits Settlements.

Mr. Patrick Scanlon, of Wellington, recently paid £3000 for the good-will of lease, license, and furniture of the Club Hotel, Carterton.

It is related of the late James Whistler, the gifted but eccentric American painter, that he was in Paris at the time of the coronation of the King of England, and one evening at a reception at the Hotel Ritz a duchess said to him, "Do you know King Edward, Mr. Whistler?" "No, madame," said the painter. She looked surprised. "Why, that is odd," she murmured. "I met the King at a dinner party last year, and he said that he knew you." "Oh," said Whistler, "that was only his brag."

A fire broke out in Mr. Woodward's luncheon and fruit cafe in Willis street, Wellington, last Monday. Damage estimated at £285 was done before the fire brigade suppressed the outbreak.

Owing to the revision of liquor licenses outlined by Mr. Lloyd George (Chancellor of the Exchequer)

the price of beer has been increased by a half-penny a pint and spirits by a penny a glass.

Mr. Ernest Davis, of Messrs. Handcock and Co., Ltd., has been elected Mayor of Newmarket.

Mr. Alf. Seccombe, of the Great Northern Brewery Coy., Ltd., has been re-elected a member of the Newmarket Borough Council.

The consumption of alcohol in France is decreasing. As a spirit drinker the Frenchman is only beaten by the Dane. While, roughly speaking, he only drinks one gallon of beer to the average Briton's six gallons, his total consumption of absolute alcohol makes him an easy first among the nations of the Continent, with Belgium in the second, and Switzerland in the third place.

A big fire occurred at a whiskey bonded warehouse in Belfast recently. Damage to the extent of £250,000 is reported. During the progress of the fire the streets were running with blazing spirits, and ten persons were injured.

A man who secured a meal at a Palmerston North restaurant under false pretences was recently sentenced to seven days hard labour.

A large furnishing warehouse which was destroyed by fire at Palmerston North last week, was recently purchased by Mr. Childs of the Commercial Hotel, who on figures will be come out at a loss over the insurance.

The Citizens' League had a good win over the recent City Council elections. Twelve out of their fifteen candidates being in the winning team.

Statistics for 1907, just issued by the Ministry of Finance, show that the consumption of alcohol is gradually diminishing in France. The consumption of absinthe, however, is rapidly rising.

A bill providing that no man who is twice convicted of intoxication in one year shall be allowed to be married, and that two convictions for drunkenness within a year shall be a ground for divorce, has been introduced in the States of Illinois.

The Kansas Senate has totally prohibited the use of alcohol, even for medical, scientific, and trade purposes.

The open door of the Pukekohe Hotel attracted the attention of a driven cow one afternoon last week as it was being driven up the street. The animal could not be charged with loitering on licensed premises as she charged right through the hall and into the back yard in quick time.

Representative James E. Watson, who ran for Governor of Indiana on a "dry" platform, is to be presented with a handsome punchbowl by his colleagues in the House. The gift will not be in the nature of a joke, because the Indiana member ran on a "water-waggon" ticket; but it will be a testimonial of the high esteem in which he is held by the Republican members of the House.

Mr. Thomas Mincher will act as licensee and manager of the Pukekohe Hotel during Mr. J. J. Graham's absence in England.

A witness in a recent King Country sly-grog selling case stated that whiskey was sold at from £1 to £5 per bottle.

The vineyards at the Warenga experimental station have produced some 40 tons of grapes during the past season. Some 5500 gallons of wine have been made, and the cellars are now well stocked. The Hon. A. W. Hogg, who visited the station recently, stated it is proposed to subdivide a por-

tion of the estate into a number of leaseholds, each of an area of about 50 acres. Each tenant will have about 25 acres of orchard, 21 acres for grass and general crops, and about four acres of vines. The wattle bark plantation is producing good results, about 150 tons, of a value of over £1000, having been obtained during the past season. The question of erecting a tannery in connection with the farm is now under consideration.

At the Police Court last Thursday in Dunedin, G. S. Thomson, manager of the New Zealand Trade Guarantee Association, which collects debts on commission, was fined £4 and costs on a charge of issuing a document which would mislead people into believing that the said document had legal effect.

Beer duty collected in Wellington last month amounted to £1262 15s 6d. In April 1908 the amount totalled £1248 18s 10d.

Mr. T. W. Allen who has been for many years in the Northcote Hotel has sold out to Mr. J. E. R. Thorpe.

An important case was heard at Palmerston North on Monday, when a Shannon publican named Michael Moynihan was charged at the Magistrate's Court with having committed four breaches of the Licensing Act in that he issued small cards at the recent licensing election, containing instructions how to vote. The case is the first heard in New Zealand under sub-sections (a) and (b), section 157, of the Legislature Act. The Police prosecuted, and the facts were admitted by the defence. Counsel addressed the Court on the legal position, and decision was reserved.

Can the most rabid prohibitionist tell us what good or gain it is to a country if half the hotels are closed, and yet the drink bill of the whole country keeps on soaring?

A well-known resident of Balclutha was shocked a few days ago on receiving the following wire from a gentleman in Dunedin of unusually abstemious habits:—"Will arrive Balclutha tight to-morrow evening. Should be glad if you could meet me." Needless to say, the intelligent telegraphist had converted "eight" into "tight."

Prosperity, national and popular, follows prohibition, say the Boyces, Clarks and Tommy Taylors of the land. That is why (says "Fair Play," the New South Wales Trade Journal) Sir J. G. Ward, New Zealand premier, is getting busy cheeseparing and re-trenching, annihilating whole departments, and turning adrift on to a cold world, to swell a community of bankrupts, scores of civil servants who have served the country well for half a life-time, and lost the capacity for other work.

An organisation of representative people from all parts of Norway is being formed to combat prohibition. The new organisation will not be affiliated with any political party, but will prepare to fight the prohibitionists at all local elections. Its motto is, "Liberty and civilisation against a prohibition and coercion." A large portion of the press hails it with enthusiasm as a practical instrument to free the country from prohibition.

One of the measures now pending in the New Mexico Legislature provides that every man wishing to drink liquor shall pay a license of £1 a year to the Territory and that any bartender selling to a man without a license shall be fined not less than £20. We opine that the prohibition and local option members will kill this bill. It would be the means of showing what hypocrites many of them are.—Bonforts.

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THE RETORT COURTEOUS.

Miss Nellie Bass, the only child of the late Lord Burton, before she became Mrs. Baillie, was present at a dance, when the old folk were a little shocked at the enthusiasm with which the younger ones entered into the spirit of the gathering. "Hardly the manners of a Vere de Vere," said an old general as Miss Bass flew past him. "No," replied the young lady, dropping a saucy courtesy, "they are the manners of a Beer de Beer—and jolly good beer it is, too."

KILLED BY SIX TO ONE.

In the Texas (U.S.A.) Senate the judiciary committee No. 2 killed by a vote of six to one the Senate bill providing for the establishment of statutory prohibition in Texas. This effectually terminates that feature of the prohibition fight in the Texas legislature, but it still leaves the State wide prohibition submission bill pending, which is being vigorously debated in the Senate, and the bill providing that no liquor shall be sold within ten miles of any school house pending in the House.

A COMMON SENSE STIPENDIARY.

At the Tower Bridge (London) Police Court on 26th February last, Mr. Rose, the P.M., during a prosecution of some petty case in an hotel, made some wise remarks. Mr. Maitland, a well-known solicitor, had urged the dismissal of the case, on the grounds that the "people concerned were all working men, well known to each other as neighbours, meeting together for a social evening," and that a "little more freedom and comfort" was desirable in a licensed house, "so that customers should not be debarred from every form of amusement." The magistrate said that he was "aware that in other countries the sale and consumption of liquors is frequently accompanied by moderate amusement, without much detriment to the inhabitants of those countries, and it seems hard to say why there should not be the same freedom in our own country and in this metropolis." We could do with some P.M.'s of the Rose brand in this Dominion.

BRANDY.

The word "brandy" puzzles some heads just now as much as the article puzzles these and other heads at times. As a matter of fact, the word is not French at all. In France the spirit is known as eau-de-vie, "life-water," of which Cognac is the best, as well as the best known. Brandy is a Dutch word, derived from "brandwine," meaning burnt wine, and, therefore, if any nation ought to have a monopoly of the name certainly is not the French. That monopoly is not claimed by the French themselves, but for them.

REGULATION BETTER THAN PROHIBITION.

Says an American sporting writer:—"For my part, I confess I am one of those who believe in regulation rather than prohibition. I must always feel that the best service we can give a man, is to strengthen his moral fibre so as to resist temptation, rather than to weaken his character by taking temptation out of his path. I feel always the potent wisdom of those inspiring words of Phillips Brooks: "O, do not pray for easy lives; pray to be stronger men; do not pray for tasks equal to your powers; pray for powers equal to your tasks."

WHERE PROHIBITION FAILS.

Disheartening reports continue to pour in from Prohibition States throughout the country (says an English exchange). A report just published states that although every county skirting the Mississippi River in both Tennessee and Arkansas is "dry," and any man who sells liquor in any of them fractures the law,

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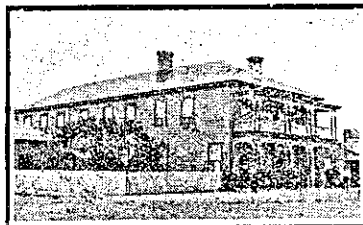
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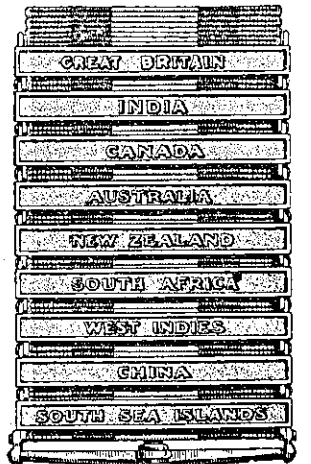
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the fact remains that there is more liquor being sold there to-day than there was when saloons were running wide open. These prohibition laws were passed in the hope that they would benefit the negroes, but because of their lax enforcement the negroes are now buying whisky cheaper than they ever could get it in licensed saloons. Some boats ply the river with holds full of whisky, and a tin cup full can be obtained for 2½ d., whereas the price was formally a shilling.

PROHIBITION AND EVOLUTION.

Evolution was much annoyed by Prohibition.

"The trouble with you," said Evolution, "is that you need to abolish temptation."

"Certainly," replied Prohibition in an airy manner. "Why not?"

"Why not!" replied Evolution. "Because I need it in my business, that's why not. If you abolish temptation, or water it down to the weak man's capacity to resistance, how am I to develop strong men, I should like to know?"

"Well, we can't have so much naughtiness. It's getting awful!" said Prohibition.

"Fudge!" sneered Evolution. "What is naughtiness to me? I'd rather 999 fall under temptation than not have temptation at hand for the thousandth man I'm interested in, the man in virtue of whom the face gets forward!"

But Prohibition had the votes and Evolution, no longer a fad of the first magnitude had to submit.

AS WICKED AS SLAVERY.

The following from the "Army and Navy Life" (U.S.A.) regarding prohibition and referring to the canteen, should be widely read:—

"Prohibition is as wicked as slavery. It is not wrong to drink, and no man, nor any set of men, have any pretence of right to say that a man shall not drink. One hundred and thirty-two years ago a number of representative Americans, impelled thereto by an aggravation no greater than prohibition, formulated a document since which has since been famous, in which they set down their belief that all men 'are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights, that among these are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.' Prohibition is unwarrantable interference with a man's liberty, and if any man 'in the pursuit of happiness' desires liquor or spirits, there is no one—least of all in this free country—who can say him nay. There is nothing that a man will resent and fight against more than interference with his personal liberty; and the more red-blooded a man is, the more he will resent such interference, and the harder he will fight to put a stop to it.

"Make no mistake, we are unequivocally in favor of temperance and the maintenance of order, but we are of the twentieth century, in which so unwise, so unsound, so impracticable a policy as prohibition has no place or part. It cannot, indeed, be placed

in any epoch. It is a product of that same abnormal and disordered imagination which would take the sun from the heavens, because, forsooth, one man got sunstruck for remaining too long under its influence.

"The canteen must come back."

BASS, RATCLIFF & GRETTON, "ARISTOCRATS."

As brewers we take it that by the word "aristocrat" it is intended to convey to the mind the impression of sterling worth, high standing, ancient prestige undimmed, and the good word of those in a position to judge; if this be so, the firm of Bass, Ratcliff, and Gretton, Ltd., Burton-on-Trent, may fairly claim the title of doyen of the brewing industry of the world (says "Bonfort's").

In the year 1777 the forefather of the present "Bass" (Lord Burton) founded the firm in Burton, and some years after the houses of Ratcliff and Gretton joined their fortunes with that of the Bass family in the brewing industry.

From that time to this the firm has held the reputation of being the first, and most the strictly honest brewers in the world, they have so kept up the character of their produce as to render the word "Bass" another name for a drink of perfect English ale.

The appointments of brewers to H.M. King Edward VII. and to the Prince of Wales, are held by the firm; the crown of their reputation was, however, secured in the year 1902, in which year the present King Emperor paid a visit to Ranganore, the residence of Lord Burton, the chairman of the firm, and on February 22, 1902, proceeded to the brewery, where he spent a full day, and also mashed the world-famous "King's Ale" the strongest ale ever brewed successfully, and which is religiously treasured by those who have been so fortunate as to obtain a few bottles of it.

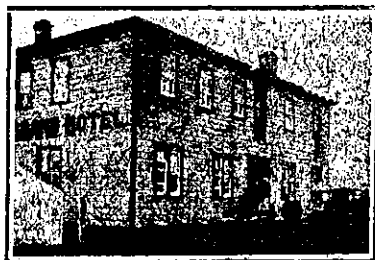
This is the only recorded occasion on which a brewing firm has been so honored, and the brewing magnates at the head of the concern are as proud of the fact as are their staff, and work people.

The Rev. Charles Hutchinson, Rector of Rayne, Essex, finding the working men of his parish reluctant to attend church or ordinary parochial entertainments, has arranged for fortnightly smoking concerts in the Sunday school-room. The rector takes the chair and provides tobacco, and a local brewer contributes a barrel of beer for free consumption. Temperance beverages are also supplied free to those who prefer them. Each ale-drinker has three glasses allowed him at stated intervals. At the second of this session's concerts, the aged church clerk, Samuel Hance, who has held his office for sixty years, sang fighting songs of the Napoleonic days, and the sons of the soil present contributed each a roaring ditty. The rector said he had that day received a letter from Mr. George Courtauld, ex-High Sheriff for the county, who wrote:—"I was delighted to see an account of your village concert. Pray allow me to send

a contribution towards the expenses. I am so glad you allow beer, and I hope you will not give in to the representations on the subject which I understand have been made by the anti-beer people. . . . Wishing you all success, and that other parishes may follow your example."

Calcutta, India, is soon to have its first brewery. Pilsener and Munich beer, stout and ale will be the products of this new enterprise. The materials used are malt and Kentish hops. Filtered water from Hooghly River will be used. The beer is to be produced by a special process particularly adapted for a tropical climate. Ordinary yeast works at a low temperature, but in hot countries a special type of bran is used that works at a very high temperature. The machinery is of the latest type, and the brewery is equipped with all modern improvements. It is said that the Pilsener brand of beer will retail for 4s 9d per dozen, which is a big reduction of former prices of imported beers. If this brewery is a success, others will be built.

Mr. A. J. Jeffries, of the Cricklewood Tavern, Cricklewood-lane, N.W., and of The Grey Horse, Kensal Green, W., entertained at his sole cost 300 children whose parents are ill or out of work, at the Cricklewood-lane Board-school, recently, and a further 300 children later on in the Pemble Hall, Pemble-road. In addition to a most generous three hours' entertainment, each child was presented on entering the hall or school with a bag of sweets and an orange. Liberal supplies of cake and mineral water were served during the interval, and on leaving each child was given a pork pie and an orange. Mr. A. J. Jeffries is the chairman of the Harrow Division Licensed Victuallers and Beer Retailers' Trade Protection Society for 1909.



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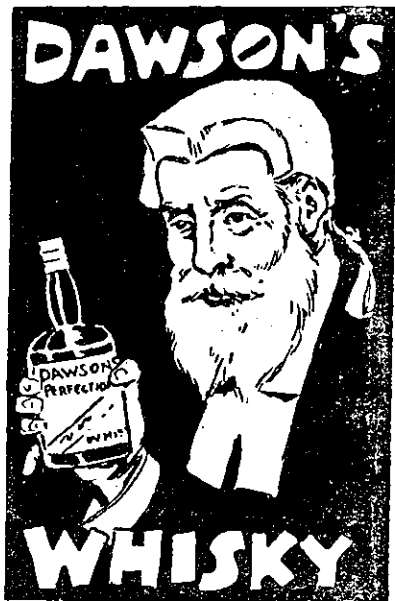
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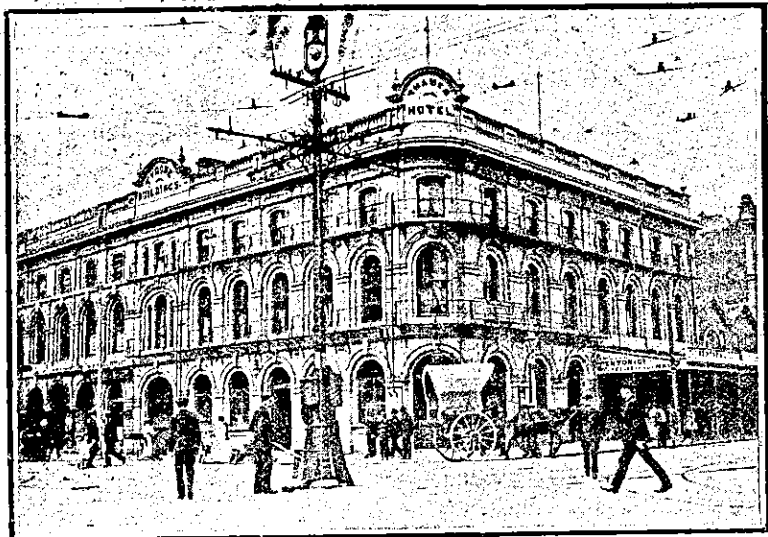
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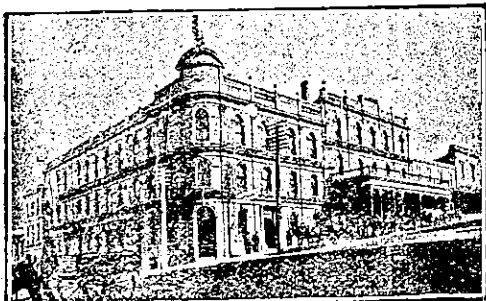
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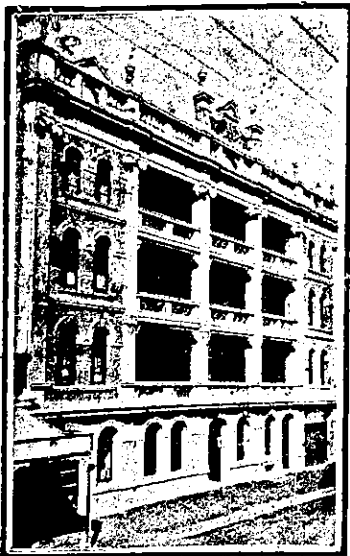
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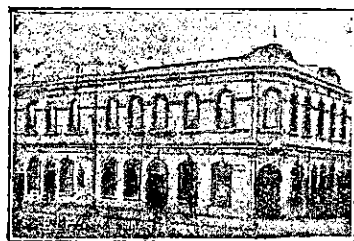
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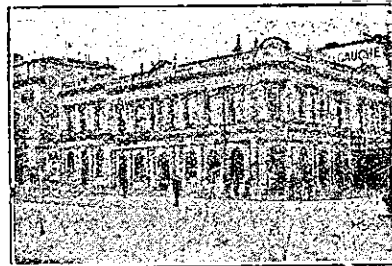
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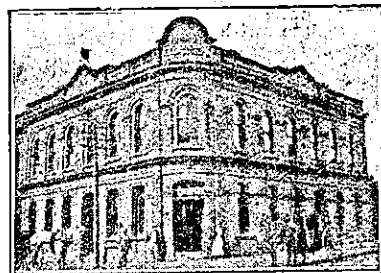
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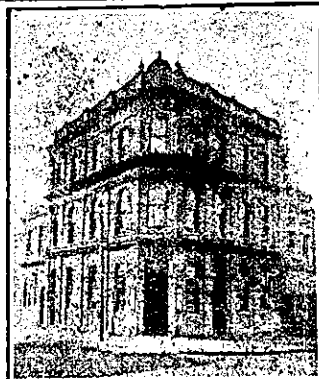


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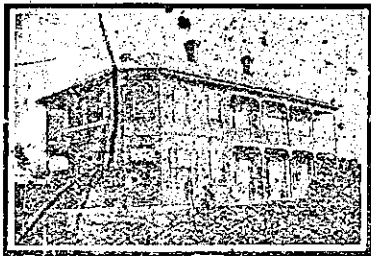
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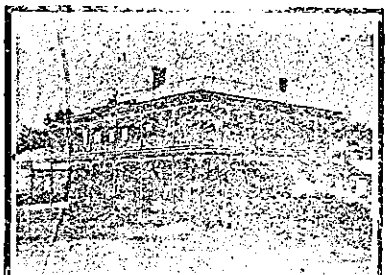
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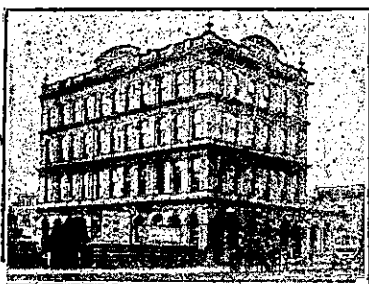
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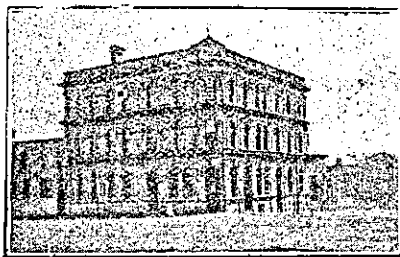
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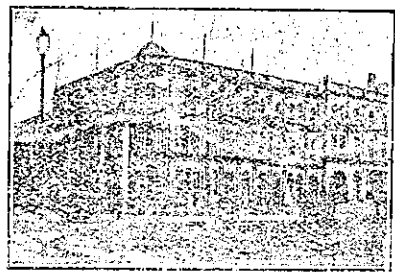
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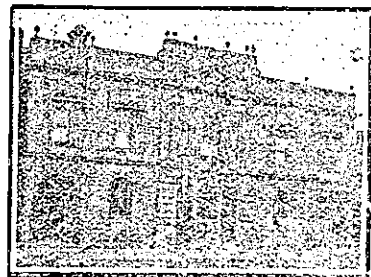
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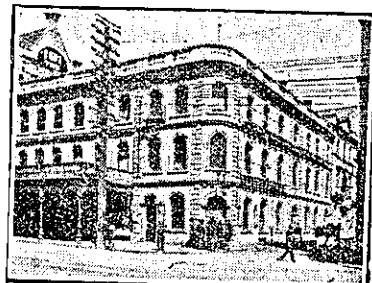
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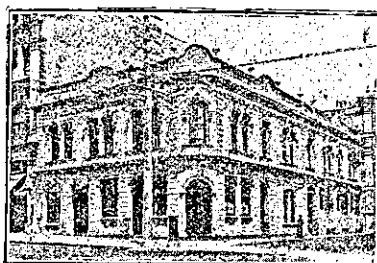
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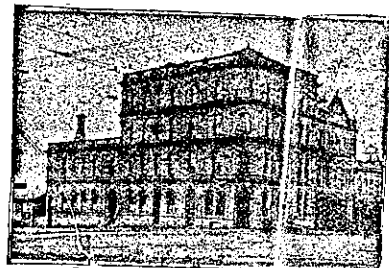
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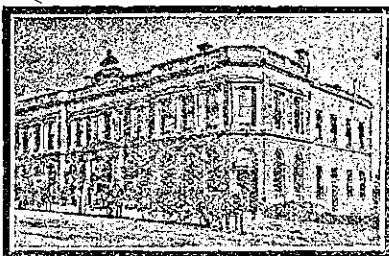
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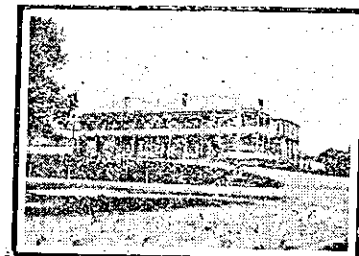


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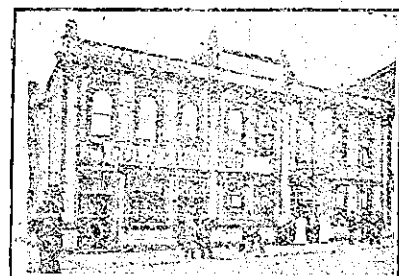
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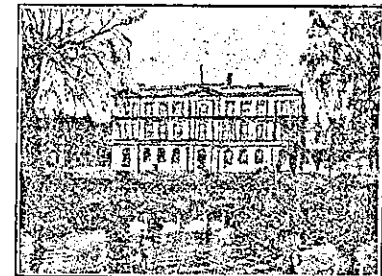
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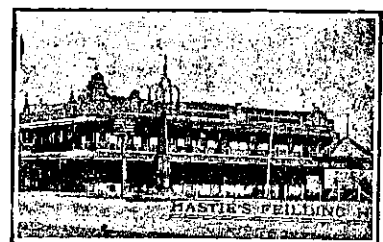
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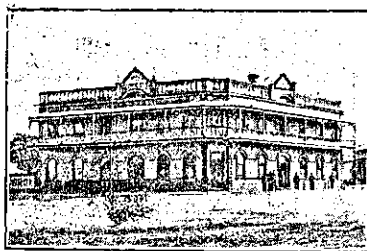
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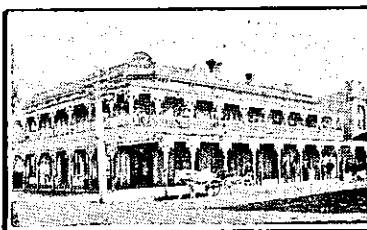
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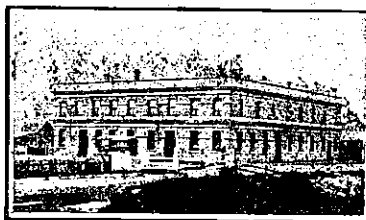
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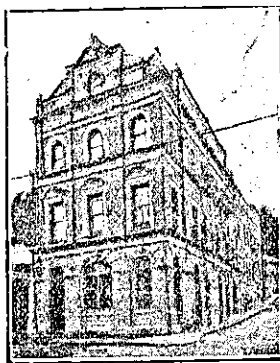
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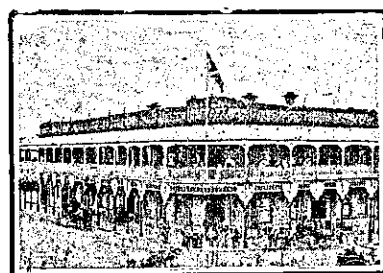
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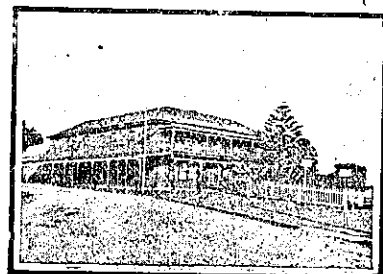
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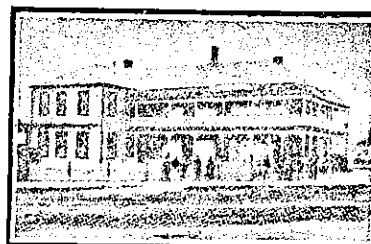
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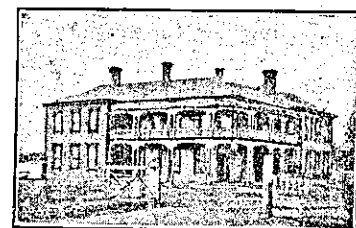
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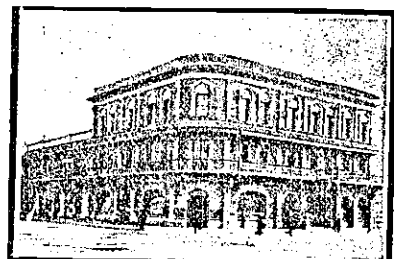


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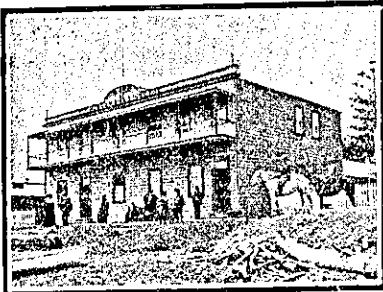
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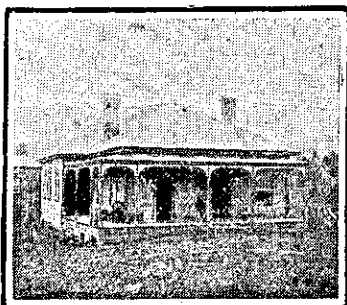
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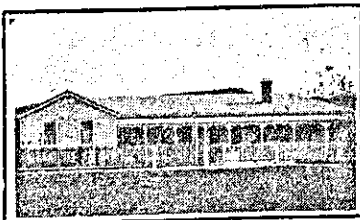
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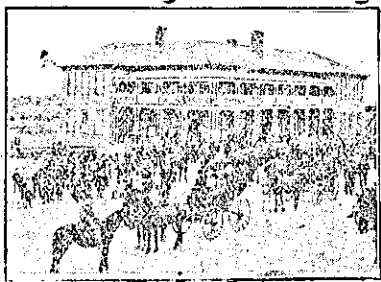


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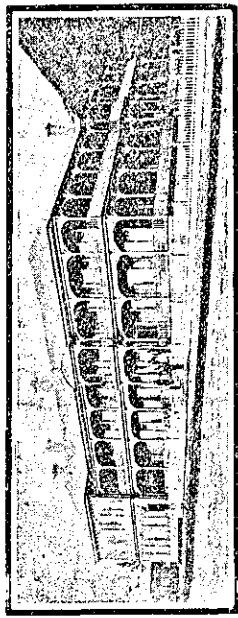
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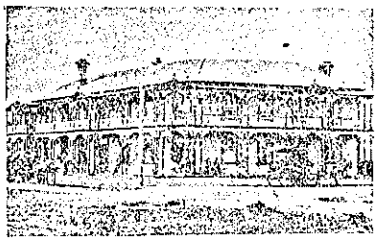


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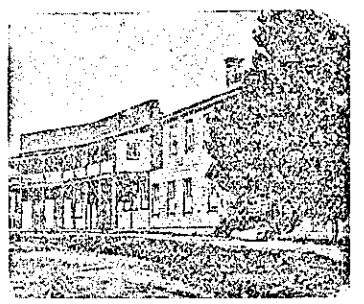


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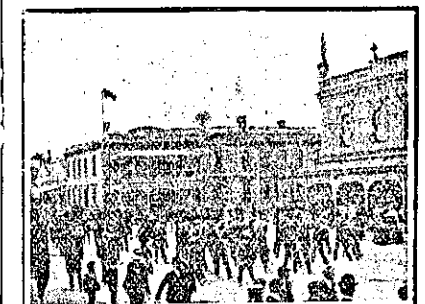
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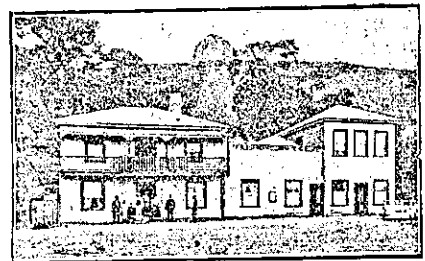
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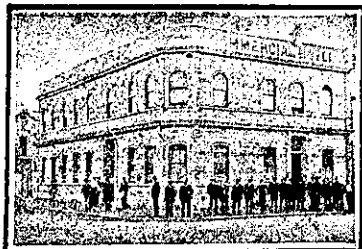


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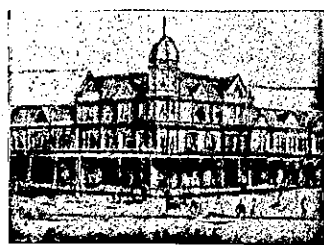
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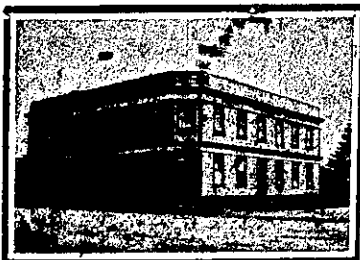


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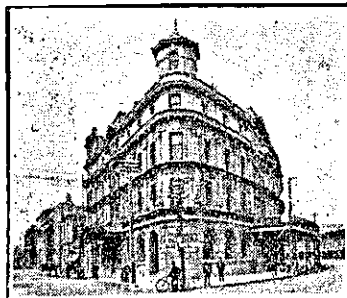
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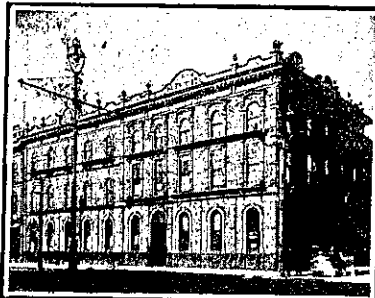
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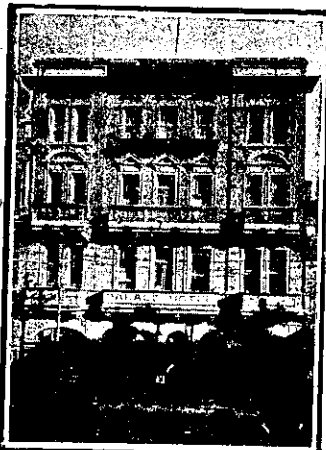
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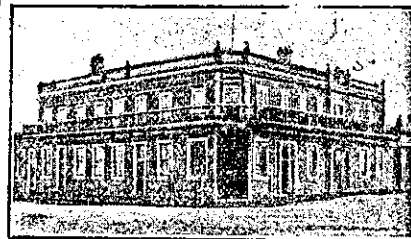
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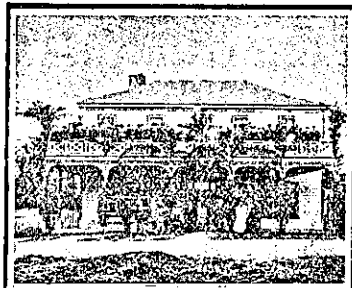
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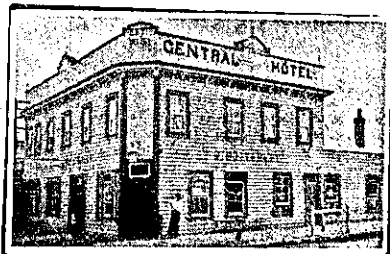
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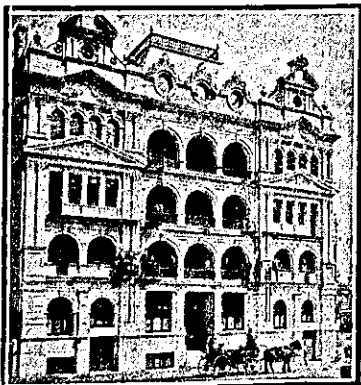


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