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AUCKLAND RACING CLUB AUTUMN MEETING.

President: Mr W. McLaughlin. Vice-President: Mr P. L. Dignan. Stewards: Colonel Dawson, Messrs L. D. Nathan, S. Thorne, George, A. Kidd, D. W. Duthie, G. W. B. Patterson, J. C. Smith, F. Earl, A. J. Denniston, H. O. Nolan. Committee: Hon. E. Mitchellson, Messrs A. Buckland, Richard Duder, H. T. Gorrie, J. Kirkwood, Donald McLeod, W. McLaughlin, Thos. Morrin (Chairman), N. A. Nathan, J. Russell, H. Thompson, J. T. Armitage. Hon. Judge: Colonel Banks. Hon. Treasurer: Mr H. T. Gorrie. Starter: Mr George Cutts. Clerk of Scales: Mr F. W. Marks. Clerk of Course: Mr A. Selby. Handicapper: Mr J. O. Evett. Secretary: Mr William Percival.

MONDAY, TUESDAY AND SATURDAY, APRIL 8, 9, AND 13, 1901.

PROGRAMME.

FIRST DAY, EASTER MONDAY, APRIL 8, 1901. First race to start at 12 noon.

Tradesmen's Plate Handicap, of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. Entrance 1 sov and acceptance 1 sov each, to go to the funds. For three-year-olds and upwards. One mile and a-quarter.

Northern Champagne Stakes, of 500 sovs; second horse to receive 50 sovs, and third horse 25 sovs from the stake. Colts, set 10lb; fillies, set 8lb; and geldings, set 6lb each. By subscription of 5 sovs each, payable at the post, unless forfeits are declared as follows:—If struck out by the first Friday in December, 1901, 1 sov forfeit; if struck out by the first Friday in February, 1901, 2 sovs; if left in after this date liable for the whole 5 sovs. All forfeits go to make up or increase the stake. Six furlongs.

Easter Handicap, of 500 sovs; second horse to receive 75 sovs, and third horse 25 sovs from the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Entrance 1 sov, acceptance 2 sovs, and a final payment of 2 sovs each at the post to go to the funds. The winner of any race of the value of 100 sovs after the declaration of the weights, to carry 3lb extra; of 200 sovs, 5lb; of 100 sovs and one of 200 sovs, 7lb extreme penalty. One mile.

Hurdle Race (handicap), of 125 sovs; second horse to receive 15 sovs, and third horse 10 sovs from the stake. Entrance 1 sov and acceptance 1 sov each, to go to the funds. Winner of a Hurdle Race after the declaration of weights to carry 7lb extra. Two miles.

Eden Handicap, of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Entrance 1 sov and acceptance 1 sov each to go to the funds. Winner of any handicap after the declaration of weights to carry 5lb extra. Seven furlongs.

Onslow Stakes (handicap), of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. For two-year-olds that have never won a race of the value of 100 sovs at time of starting. Entrance 1 sov and acceptance 1 sov each, to go to the funds. Five furlongs.

Pony Handicap, of 60 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. For horses 14 hands 3 inches and under. Entrance 1 sov and acceptance 1 sov each, to go to the funds. Seven furlongs.

Railway Handicap, of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs, and third horse 5 sovs from the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Entrance 1 sov and acceptance 1 sov each, to go to the funds. Winner of any race after the declaration of weights to carry 5lb penalty. Five furlongs.

SECOND DAY, EASTER TUESDAY, APRIL 9, 1901. First race to start at 12 noon.

The Stewards' Handicap, of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Entrance 1 sov and acceptance 1 sov each, to go to the funds. One mile.

Ellerslie Handicap, of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. For two-year-olds. Entrance 1 sov and acceptance 1 sov each, to go to the funds. Six furlongs.

The Century Stakes, of 1000 sovs; second horse to receive 200 sovs, and third horse 100 sovs from the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Weight for age. Penalties to commence on August 1, 1900. Winner of the C.J.C. Derby, Canterbury Cup, or Great Northern Derby to carry 7lb penalty; of two or three, 14lb penalty. Winner of any other race or races collectively of 500 sovs to carry 5lb; of 1000 sovs, 10lb extra. Maidens at starting allowed:—Three-year-olds, 5lb; four-year-olds, 7lb; five-year-olds and upwards, 14lb. By subscription of 10 sovs each. If struck out by 9 p.m. on the first Friday in January, 1901, 5 sovs forfeit. Those left in after this date to pay 10 sovs each. One mile and a-half.

Autumn Hurdle Race (handicap), of 125 sovs; second horse to receive 15 sovs, and third horse 10 sovs from the stake. Entrance 1 sov and acceptance 1 sov each, to go to the funds. Two miles.

Flying Handicap, of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Entrance 1 sov and acceptance 1 sov each, to go to the funds. The winner of any race after the declaration of weights to carry 5lb penalty. Six furlongs.

Pony Handicap, of 60 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. For horses 14 hands 3 inches and under. Entrance 1 sov and acceptance 1 sov each, to go to the funds. Six furlongs.

Shorts' Handicap, of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Entrance 1 sov and acceptance 1 sov each, to go to the funds. The winner of any race after the declaration of the weights to carry 5lb penalty. Five furlongs.

St George's Handicap, of 300 sovs; second horse to receive 35 sovs, and third horse 15 sovs from the stake. Entrance 1 sov and acceptance 2 sovs each, to go to the funds. Winner of Century Stakes to carry 10lb penalty, or any handicap after declaration of weights 3lb penalty. One mile and a-quarter.

THIRD DAY, SATURDAY, APRIL 13, 1901.

First race to start at 12 noon.

Maiden Hurdle Handicap, of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. For all horses that have not won an advertised hurdle race exceeding 50 sovs in value at time of starting. Entrance 1 sov and acceptance 1 sov each, to go to the funds. One mile and three-quarters.

Criterion Handicap, of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Entrance 1 sov and acceptance 1 sov each, to go to the funds. For all horses that have never won 50 sovs at time of starting. Six furlongs.

Autumn Handicap, of 500 sovs; second horse to receive 75 sovs, and third horse 25 sovs from the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Entrance 1 sov and acceptance 4 sovs each, to go to the funds. One mile and a-half.

Hurdle Race (handicap), of 125 sovs; second horse to receive 15 sovs, and third horse 5 sovs from the stake. Over eight flights of hurdles. Entrance 1 sov and acceptance 1 sov each, to go to the funds. Two miles.

Welter Handicap, of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. Entrance 1 sov and acceptance 1 sov each, to go to the funds. Minimum weight 8st. For all horses that have never won an advertised race of the value of 50 sovs at time of starting. One mile.

Pony Handicap, of 60 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. For horses 14 hands 3 inches and under. Entrance 1 sov and acceptance 1 sov each, to go to the funds. Five furlongs.

Grandstand Handicap, of 150 sovs; second horse to receive 15 sovs and third horse 5 sovs from the stake. Entrance 1 sov and acceptance 1 sov each, to go to the funds. Winner of a race after the declaration of weights to carry a penalty of 5lb. Seven furlongs.

Victoria Handicap, of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. For two-year-olds. Entrance 1 sov and acceptance 1 sov each, to go to the funds. Five furlongs.

DATES OF NOMINATIONS, ACCEPTANCES, ETC. With amounts to be transmitted to the Secretary A.R.C.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 8.

SECOND FORFEIT.—Champagne Stakes, 1901, 2 sovs.

NOMINATIONS.

Easter Handicap ... 1 sov Autumn Handicap ... 1 sov First H'p Hurdles 1 sov St George's H'p ... 1 sov

FRIDAY, MARCH 29 (General Entry Night), by 9 p.m.

ACCEPTANCES.

Easter Handicap ... 2 sovs First H'p Hurdles 1 sov

NOMINATIONS.

Tradesmen's Plate H'p 1 sov Pony Handicap ... 1 sov Eden Handicap ... 1 sov Shorts' Handicap ... 1 sov Onslow Stakes H'p 1 sov Maiden Hurdle H'p 1 sov Pony Handicap ... 1 sov Handicap Hurdles ... 1 sov Railway Handicap ... 1 sov Pony Handicap ... 1 sov Stewards' Handicap 1 sov Criterion Handicap ... 1 sov Ellerslie Handicap ... 1 sov Welter Handicap ... 1 sov Autumn Hurdles ... 1 sov Grandstand Handicap 1 sov Flying Handicap ... 1 sov Victoria Handicap ... 1 sov

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3, by 9 p.m.

ACCEPTANCES.

Tradesmen's Plate H'p 1 sov Onslow Stakes H'p 1 sov Handicap Hurdles 1 sov Pony Handicap ... 1 sov Eden Handicap ... 1 sov Railway Handicap ... 1 sov

MONDAY, APRIL 8, at the Post.

Champagne Stakes 5 sovs Easter Handicap ... 2 sovs

MONDAY, APRIL 8, by 10 p.m.

ACCEPTANCES.

Stewards' Handicap 1 sov Flying Handicap ... 1 sov Ellerslie Handicap ... 1 sov Pony Handicap ... 1 sov Autumn Hurdles 1 sov Shorts' Handicap ... 1 sov St George's Handicap, 2 sovs

TUESDAY, APRIL 9, at the Post.

Century Stakes ... 10 sovs

THURSDAY, APRIL 11, by 9 p.m.

ACCEPTANCES.

Maiden Hurdle H'p 1 sov Criterion Handicap ... 1 sov Handicap Hurdles 1 sov Second Welter H'p 1 sov Autumn Handicap 4 sovs Grandstand Handicap 1 sov Pony Handicap ... 1 sov Victoria Handicap ... 1 sov

DATES ON WHICH HANDICAPS APPEAR.

FRIDAY, MARCH 22, by 9 p.m.

Easter Handicap ... First Handicap Hurdles

MONDAY, APRIL 1, Morning Paper.

Tradesmen's Handicap ... Onslow Stakes Handicap] Handicap Hurdles ... Pony Handicap] Eden Handicap ... Railway Handicap

MONDAY, APRIL 8, by 9 p.m.

Stewards' Handicap ... Flying Handicap ... Ellerslie Handicap ... Pony Handicap ... Autumn Hurdles ... Shorts' Handicap ... St George's Handicap

THURSDAY, APRIL 11, Morning Paper.

Maiden Hurdle Handicap ... Criterion Handicap ... Handicap Hurdles ... Second Welter Handicap ... Autumn Handicap ... Grandstand Handicap ... Pony Handicap ... Victoria Handicap

WM. PERCIVAL, Secretary.

WANGANUI JOCKEY CLUB.

AUTUMN MEETING

TO BE HELD ON

THURSDAY AND FRIDAY, MARCH 7 AND 8, 1901.

Officers—President: Dr Earle. Vice-president: H. N. Harrison. Timekeeper: R. Higgle. Judge: W. H. Hartill. Starter: C. H. Chavannes. Handicapper for Open Events: J. O. Evett. Handicapper for Hack Events: George Morse. Stewards: President, Vice-president, and Treasurer (Ex officio), and Dr Connolly, Allan Cameron, H. W. Hole, Alex. Harlick, J. T. Moore, James Higgle, Jas. Watt. Hon. Treasurer: J. H. Nixon.

PROGRAMME.

FIRST DAY—THURSDAY, MARCH 7, 1901.

Stewards' Stakes Handicap of 150 sovs; second horse to receive 20 sovs from the stakes; distance, one mile; the winner of any flat race, under the value of 100 sovs, after declaration of weights to carry 3lb extra, of any flat race or races collectively of the value of 100 sovs 5lb extra, 150 sovs 7lb extra, 250 sovs or over, 10lb extra (penalties not accumulative); nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 2 sovs. To start at 12 noon.

First Handicap Hurdle Race of 150 sovs; second horse to receive 20 sovs from the stakes; about two miles and a distance; over eight flights of hurdles, 3ft 6in in height; the winner of any hurdle race after declaration of weights to carry 7lb extra; nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. To start at 12.45 p.m.

First Handicap Hack Hurdle Race of 80 sovs; second horse to receive 15 sovs from the stakes; about one mile and five furlongs; over six flights of hurdles, 3ft 6in in height; the winner of any hurdle race after declaration of weights to carry 7lb extra; nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. (Wide definition of Hacks.) To start at 1.30 p.m.

Wanganui Cup Handicap of 750 sovs; second horse to receive 100 sovs, and the third horse 50 sovs from the stakes; distance, one mile and three-quarters. In the event of any entrant winning a handicap of the value of 100 sovs after the declaration of weights, the handicapper will review that horse's weight, and will raise it or allow it to stand as he thinks fit. If the weight of any horse is altered, the revised handicap will be published on or about Thursday, the 28th February, 1901; nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 2 sovs, on Monday, February 25th, 1901, at 9 p.m.; and 5 sovs on Saturday, March 2nd, 1901, at 9 p.m. To start at 2.45 p.m.

President's Welter Handicap, of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake; distance, one mile and a distance; minimum weight, 8st; nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 2 sovs. To start at 3.30 p.m.

First Hack Race Handicap, of 70 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake; distance, one mile and a distance; minimum weight, 7st, wide definition of hacks. The winner of any flat race after declaration of weights to carry 7lb extra; nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. To start at 4.15 p.m.

Flying Handicap, of 200 sovs; second horse to receive 20 sovs, and the third horse 10 sovs from the stake; distance, six furlongs. Winner of any flat race, under the value of 100 sovs, after declaration of weights to carry 3lb extra, of any flat race or races collectively of the value of 100 sovs 5lb extra, 250 sovs or over 7lb extra, penalties not accumulative; nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 2 sovs. To start at 5 p.m.

SECOND DAY—FRIDAY, MARCH 8, 1901.

Autumn Handicap, of 150 sovs; second horse to receive 20 sovs from the stake; distance, one mile and a distance; nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 2 sovs. To start at 12 noon.

Second Handicap Hurdle Race, of 120 sovs; second horse to receive 15 sovs from the stake; distance, about two miles; over seven flights of hurdles 3ft 6in in height; nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. To start at 12.45.

Second Handicap Hack Hurdle Race, of 70 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake; about one mile and a-half; over six flights of hurdles 3ft 6in in height, wide definition of hacks. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. To start at 1.30 p.m.

Wanganui Stakes Handicap, of 400 sovs; second horse to receive 30 sovs, and the third horse 10 sovs from the stake; distance, one mile and a-quarter; the winner of the Autumn Handicap to carry a penalty of 5lb; nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 4 sovs. To start at 2.30 p.m.

Petre Welter Handicap of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake; distance, one mile; minimum weight 8st; nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 2 sovs. To start at 3.15 p.m.

Harrison Memorial Stakes Handicap, of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake; distance, six furlongs; winner of any handicap this day to carry a penalty of 5lb, not accumulative; nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 2 sovs. To start at 4 p.m.

Second Handicap Hack Race, of 60 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake; distance, six furlongs; minimum weight, 7st, wide definition of

hacks; nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. To start at 4.45 p.m.

Farewell Handicap, of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake; distance, one mile. Winner of any handicap this day to carry a penalty of 5lb, not accumulative; nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 2 sovs. To start at 5.15 p.m.

DEFINITION OF A HACK.—A Hack is a horse that has never won an advertised race, Hack and Hunter races excepted, and that is not at the time of nomination, nominated for any race, Hack and Hunter races excepted, nor has won a race of the value of 80 sovs, or races of the collective value of 150 sovs at the time of nomination since 1st of August, 1899.

DATES OF NOMINATIONS, WEIGHTS, ENTRIES AND ACCEPTANCES

And Amounts to be forwarded to the Secretary of the Wanganui Jockey Club.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 12, 1901, at 9 p.m.—NOMINATIONS—Wanganui Cup, Wanganui Stakes Handicap, Flying Handicap, 1 sov each.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1901, at 9 p.m.—NOMINATIONS—Stewards' Stakes, First Hurdle Race, Second Hurdle Race, First Handicap Hack Hurdles, Second Handicap Hack Hurdles, First Hack Flat Handicap, Second Hack Flat Handicap, President's Welter Handicap, Autumn Handicap, Petre Welter Handicap, Harrison Memorial Stakes, Farewell Handicap, 1 sov each.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1901, on or about.—Weights for Cup, Stewards' Stakes, First Hurdle Race, First Hack Hurdles, President's Welter, First Hack Flat, and Flying Handicaps.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 1901, at 9 p.m.—ACCEPTANCES—Wanganui Cup 2 sovs, Stewards' Stakes, 2 sovs, First Hurdle Race 1 sov, First Hack Hurdles 1 sov, President's Welter Handicap 2 sovs, First Hack Flat 1 sov, Flying Handicap 2 sovs.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 1901, on or about.—Revised Weights, if necessary, Wanganui Cup.

SATURDAY, MARCH 2, 1901, at 9 p.m.—Final Payment—Wanganui Cup, 5 sovs.

THURSDAY, MARCH 7, 1901, at or about, 8 p.m.—Weights for Second Day's Handicaps.

THURSDAY, MARCH 7, 1901, at 10 p.m.—ACCEPTANCES.—Autumn Handicap 2 sovs, Second Hurdle Race 1 sov, Second Hack Hurdles 1 sov, Wanganui Stakes 4 sovs, Petre Welter Handicap 2 sovs, Harrison Memorial Stakes 2 sovs, Second Hack Flat 1 sov, Farewell Handicap 2 sovs.

RULES AND REGULATIONS.

To which the attention of Persons entering Horses is particularly directed.

All entries, nominations, etc., will close at the Secretary's Office, Wanganui, at 9 p.m., except when otherwise specified.

All entries to be addressed to the Secretary of the Wanganui Jockey Club, Wanganui, entrance money enclosed, with the name, age at the time of entry, name of owner, pedigree, colours of the rider, and in case of handicaps where horses have not previously started in the Wanganui Course, performances of the horse. Entrance moneys go to the funds of the Club.

Entries by telegram must give full particulars of the horse, and must be confirmed in writing at the earliest possible opportunity.

Owners, Trainers, and others entering and accepting horses for the W.J.C. Meetings are notified that no entries or acceptances will be received unless accompanied by the necessary amount in cash.

This notification does not apply to Owners and Trainers who have standing arrangements with the Executive.

Owners are responsible for all Penalties and Allowances.

All persons intending to withdraw horses are required to give notice to that effect to the Secretary one half hour before the official time for starting the race. Any person neglecting or refusing to comply with this rule shall pay a fine, to be imposed by the Stewards, not exceeding 20 sovs, to the Race Fund.

Stakes are paid in full.

All races to be run under the N.Z. Rules of Racing.

Prior to any race, the Stewards may order a parade in front of the stand. Any horse absent from such parade, without the permission of the Stewards, will be fined 5 sovs.

No entry will be received under any pretence whatever after the hour named.

F. MOFFATT, Secretary.

AVONDALE JOCKEY CLUB

AUTUMN MEETING,

TO BE HELD ON

SATURDAY AND WEDNESDAY,

APRIL 20 AND 24, 1901.

President: John Ballard, Esq., M.H.R. Vice-President: Thos. Morrin, Esq., J.C. John Ballard, Esq., M.H.R. Starter: Mr Geo. Cutts. Handicapper: Mr J. O. Evett. Stewards: Messrs John Ballard, M.H.R., Robt. Duder, H. T. Gorrie, Donald McLeod, J. E. Martin, F. Lawry, M. Foley, A. Hanna, Jos. May, J. W. Russell. Treasurer: Mr Donald McLeod. Clerk of Course: Mr A. Selby. Clerk of Scales: Mr F. W. Marks. Hon Vet: Mr E. D. Halstead. Hon Secretary: Mr H. H. Hay.

PROGRAMME.

FIRST DAY, SATURDAY, APRIL 20, 1901.

Maiden Plate Handicap, of 50 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. For all horses that have not won an advertised flat race exceeding 50 sovs in value at time of entry. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. Six furlongs.

Handicap Hurdle Race, of 80 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. Over eight flights of hurdles. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. Two miles.

Avondale Handicap, of 150 sovs: second horse to receive 10 sovs, and third horse 5 sovs from the stake. Winner of any flat race after the declaration of weights to carry 5lb extra. Nomination, 11 sovs; acceptance, 8 sovs. One mile and a-quarter.

First Pony Handicap, of 40 sovs: second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. For all ponies 14 hands 3 inches and under. Nomination, 1/2 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. Six furlongs.

Juvenile Handicap, of 75 sovs: second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. For two-year-olds. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. Five furlongs.

First Hack Handicap, of 40 sovs: second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. For all horses that have not won an advertised flat race exceeding 10 sovs in value at time of starting. Nomination, 1/2 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. Five furlongs and a-half.

Auction Stakes, of 50 sovs. For three-year-olds and upwards. Three-year-olds to carry 9st; four-year-olds, 9st 12lb; five, six, and aged, 10st 4lb. Winner to be sold immediately after the race for 50 sovs, and the whole of the surplus to go to the funds. If entered to be sold for 40 sovs, allowed 7lb; if for 30 sovs, 14lb; if for 20 sovs, 21lb; if for nil, 28lb. No other allowances. Nomination, 1/4 sovs. Five furlongs.

Railway Handicap, of 70 sovs: second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. Winner of any flat race after the declaration of weights to carry 5lb extra. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. Five furlongs.

SECOND DAY, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24, 1901.

Maiden Handicap Hurdles, of 60 sovs: second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. For all horses that have not won a hurdle race of the value of 25 sovs at time of entry. Over six flights of hurdles. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. One mile and a-half.

Flying Handicap, of 60 sovs: second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. Four furlongs.

Second Pony Handicap, of 40 sovs: second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. For all ponies 14 hands 3 inches and under. Nomination, 1/2 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. Five furlongs.

Autumn Handicap, of 100 sovs: second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 2 sovs. One mile.

Nursery Handicap, of 75 sovs: second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. For two-year-olds. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. Six furlongs.

Handicap of Steeplechase, of 100 sovs: second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 2 sovs. About three miles.

Second Hack Handicap, of 40 sovs: second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. For all horses that have not won an advertised flat race exceeding 10 sovs in value at time of starting. Nomination, 1/2 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. Six furlongs.

Waitakerei Handicap, of 70 sovs: second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. Winner of Flying or Autumn Handicaps to carry a penalty of 5lb. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. Six furlongs.

DATES OF NOMINATIONS, ACCEPTANCES, ETC.,

With Amounts to be transmitted to Secretary A.J.C.

FRIDAY, MARCH 29, 1901, by 9 p.m.

NOMINATIONS—Avondale Handicap, Autumn Handicap, Steeplechase Handicap, 1 sov each.

FRIDAY, APRIL 5 (General Entry), by 9 p.m.

NOMINATIONS—Maiden Plate Handicap, 1 sov; Handicap Hurdles, 1 sov; First Pony Handicap, 1/2 sov; Juvenile Handicap, 1 sov; First Hack Handicap, 1/2 sov; Auction Stakes, 1/2 sovs; Railway Handicap, 1 sov; Maiden Handicap Hurdles, 1 sov; Flying Handicap, 1 sov; Second Pony Handicap, 1/2 sov; Nursery Handicap, 1 sov; Second Hack Handicap, 1/2 sov; Waitakerei Handicap, 1 sov.

FRIDAY, APRIL 12, by 9 p.m.

ACCEPTANCES—Maiden Plate Handicap, 1 sov; Handicap Hurdles, 1 sov; Avondale Handicap, 3 sovs; First Pony Handicap, 1 sov; Juvenile Handicap, 1 sov; First Hack Handicap, 1 sov; Railway Handicap, 1 sov.

MONDAY, APRIL 22, by 9 p.m.

ACCEPTANCES—Maiden Handicap Hurdles, 1 sov; Flying Handicap, 1 sov; Second Pony Handicap, 1 sov; Autumn Handicap, 2 sovs; Nursery Handicap, 1 sov; Handicap Steeplechase, 2 sovs; Second Hack Handicap, 1 sov; Waitakerei Handicap, 1 sov.

DATES ON WHICH HANDICAPS APPEAR.

ON OR ABOUT MONDAY, APRIL 1, 1901.

Avondale Handicap, Handicap Steeplechase.

ON OR ABOUT MONDAY, APRIL 8.

Maiden Plate Handicap, Handicap Hurdles, First Pony Handicap, First Hack Handicap, Railway Handicap, Juvenile Handicap.

MONDAY, APRIL 22, MORNING PAPER.

Maiden Handicap Hurdles, Flying Handicap, Second Pony Handicap, Autumn Handicap, Second Hack Handicap, Waitakerei Handicap, Nursery Handicap.

HARRY H. HAYR,
Secretary.

TAKAPUNA JOCKEY CLUB'S

SUMMER MEETING,

TO BE HELD

ON DATES TO BE SUBSEQUENTLY

FIXED.

President: Hon. Edwin Mitchelson. Vice-President: John Bolland, Esq., M.H.R. Stewards: Messrs E. W. Alison, R. H. Duder, F. Wells, E. Ford, A. Alison, J. Mays, W. Avenell, G. Lankham, W. J. Ralph, Dr. Lang, Capt. Coyle, Judge: Hon. E. Mitchelson. Treasurer: Mr W. J. Ralph. Starter: Mr G. Cutts. Clerk of the Scales: Mr F. Marks. Clerk of Course: Mr Fred Wells. Handicapper: Mr W. Knight. Secretary: Mr Robert Wynyard.

PROGRAMME

FIRST DAY.

Handicap Maiden Plate of 60 sovs: second horse to receive 5 sovs out of stakes. For all horses that have never won an advertised race exceeding the value of 50sovs. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. One mile.

Calliope Handicap of 100 sovs: second horse to receive 10 sovs of stakes. For two-year-olds. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 2 sovs. Six furlongs.

Zealandia Handicap of 75 sovs: second horse to receive 10 sovs out of stakes. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. Five furlongs.

Takapuna Cup (Handicap) of 400 sovs: second horse to receive 30 sovs, third horse 10 sovs out of stakes. Winner of any race of the value of 50 sovs after the declaration of weights to carry a penalty of 5lbs extra; of 100sovs, 7lbs extra. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 2 sovs and 3 sovs at the post. One mile and a-half.

First Hack Handicap of 50 sovs: second horse to receive 5 sovs out of stakes. For all horses that have not won an advertised race exceeding the value of 10 sovs at time of entry. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance 1 sov. Five furlongs.

First Handicap Hurdles of 100 sovs: second horse to receive 10 sovs of stakes. Over eight flights of hurdles. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. Two miles.

First Pony Handicap of 60sovs: second pony to receive 5 sovs out of stakes. For ponies 14 hands 3 inches and under. For three-year-olds and upwards. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. Five furlongs.

Stewards' Handicap of 100 sovs: second horse to receive 10 sovs out of stakes. Winner of the Takapuna Cup or Zealandia Handicap to carry a penalty of 5lbs extra; of both, 7lbs extra. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 2 sovs. Six furlongs.

SECOND DAY.

Suburban Handicap of 60 sovs: second horse to receive 5 sovs out of stakes. Nomination, 1sov; acceptance, 1 sov. Five furlongs.

Maiden Handicap Hurdles of 70 sovs: second horse to receive 10 sovs out of stakes. For all horses that have not won an advertised hurdle race exceeding the value of 10 sovs at time of entry. Over six flights of hurdles. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sovs. One mile and a-half and a hundred yards.

Second Pony Handicap of 50 sovs: second pony to receive 5 sovs out of stakes. For ponies 14 hands 3 inches and under. For three-year-olds and upwards. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. Six furlongs.

Takapuna Jockey Club Handicap of 200 sovs: second horse to receive 25 sovs out of stakes. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 3 sovs. One mile and a-quarter.

Holston Handicap of 100 sovs: second horse to receive 10 sovs out of stakes. For two-year-olds. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 2 sovs. Five furlongs.

First Handicap Steeplechase of 150 sovs: second horse to receive 20 sovs, third horse 10 sovs out of stakes. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance 2sovs. About three miles and a-half.

Second Hack Handicap of 50 sovs: second horse to receive 5 sovs out of stakes. For all horses that have not won an advertised race exceeding the value of 10 sovs at the time of entry. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. Six furlongs.

Anniversary Handicap of 100 sovs: second horse to receive 10 sovs out of stakes. Winner of the Suburban or T.J.C. Handicaps to carry a penalty of 5lbs extra; of both, 7lbs extra. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 2 sovs. Seven furlongs.

THIRD DAY.

Marine Handicap of 75 sovs: second horse to receive 10 sovs out of stakes. For maiden two-year-olds, that have not won a race at time of starting. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. Five furlongs.

Borough Handicap of 60 sovs: second horse to receive 5 sovs out of stakes. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. Four furlongs.

Summer Handicap of 150 sovs: second horse to receive 15 sovs, and third horse 5 sovs out of stakes. Nomination, 1 sovs; acceptance, 2 sovs. One mile.

Second Handicap Hurdles of 100 sovs: second horse to receive 10 sovs out of stakes. Over seven flights of hurdles. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. One mile and three-quarters.

Third Pony Handicap of 50sovs: second pony to receive 5 sovs out of stakes. For ponies 14 hands 3 inches and under. For three-year-olds and upwards. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. Five furlongs.

Devonport Handicap of 100 sovs: second horse to receive 10 sovs out of stakes. Winner of the Borough or Summer Handicaps to carry a penalty of 5lb extra; or both 7lb extra. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 2 sovs. Six furlongs.

Second Handicap Steeplechase of 100sovs: second horse to receive 10 sovs out of stakes. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. About three miles.

Welter Handicap of 75 sovs: second horse to receive 5 sovs out of stakes. Winner of any flat race after the weights are declared to carry a penalty of 5lb extra. Lowest weight, 7st 7lb. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1sov. One mile.

RULES AND REGULATIONS.

To which the attention of Persons Entering Horses is Particularly Requested.

No entry will be received for any of the races except on this condition: That all disputes, claims and objections arising out of the racing shall be decided by a majority of the Stewards present, or those whom they may appoint. Their decision upon all points connected with the carrying out of this programme shall be final.

Any Jockey riding except in the colours entered will be fined 3 sovs.

When two or more horses start, the property of the same owner, a distinguishing colour must be declared on entry day and worn. Any person neglecting this Rule to be fined 2 sovs.

No nomination or acceptance will be received on any pretence whatever after the hour named, or without being accompanied by the necessary amount in cash. The attention of owners is particularly called to this Regulation. This Rule will not apply to owners who have previous arrangements with the Committee.

No Owner will be permitted to use the registered colours of another owner without special permission.

All persons intending to withdraw horses are required to give notice to that effect to the Secretary or Clerk of the Scales one half hour before the official time of starting. Any person neglecting or refusing to comply with this Rule shall pay a fine not exceeding 5 sovs to the Race Fund.

All entries to be sealed and addressed to the Secretary, Devonport, or at Durham-street, Auckland, with the name, age at time of entry, pedigree, and in case of handicaps where horses have not previously started on the Takapuna course, performances of the horse, name of the owner, and colours of the rider.

Any person failing to declare his colours at time of entry will be fined 2 sovs, unless the colours of the owner of the horse are duly registered.

Owners are responsible for all penalties and allowances.

In all cases where penalties have to be carried for winning, it shall be the duty of the owner, trainer or jockey to notify the same to the Secretary, where possible, the evening before the race, or in any case half-an-hour prior to the start. Any person neglecting to comply with this Rule shall pay a fine, to be imposed by the Stewards, not exceeding 5 sovs.

Prior to any race the Stewards may order a parade in front of the stand. Any horse absent from such parade without the permission of the Stewards will be fined 2 sovs.

All races to be run under the Rules of Racing. Entries by telegram must be confirmed in writing at the earliest possible opportunity.

Stakes paid in full.

Telegraph Office at Devonport closes at 5 p.m. Telegraph Office open at Racecourse to 5 p.m. race days.

The Club reserve the right to revise the Programmes prior to the date of closing of the Nominations, and to alter the dates of the Fixtures, etc.

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AUTUMN MEETING,

TO BE HELD ON

WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY,

FEBRUARY 13 AND 14, 1901,

President: A. Standish, Esq. Vice-President: W. Bayly, Esq. Judge: Mr E. R. A. Haworth. Handicapper for Open Events: Mr J. O. Evett. Handicapper for Hack Events: Mr R. G. Parry. Clerk of the Scales: Mr A. Goldwater. Clerk of the Course: Mr John Harvey. Stewards: President, Vice-President, Judge, and Treasurer, ex officio, and Messrs O. Samuel, J. Paul, W. L. Newman, G. J. Newman, N. King, E. Cock, T. Elliott, L. W. Alexander, D. Wood, A. McLeod, Thomson, F. W. Atkinson, and T. S. Weston. Committee: Mr O. Samuel, Chairman, Messrs W. L. Newman, R. Cock, F. Watson, N. King, J. Paul, J. Ellis, A. E. Clarke, A. Goldwater, F. W. Atkinson, C. M. Lepper, L. W. Alexander, D. Teed. Starter: Mr C. H. Chavannes. Hon Treasurer: Mr A. E. A. Clarke. Secretary: Mussell Fleetwood.

PROGRAMME.

FIRST DAY, WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 1901.

Stewards' Handicap, of 75 sovs: second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 2 sovs. Seven furlongs.

Henui Hack Handicap, of 50 sovs: second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. Five furlongs.

First Handicap Hurdles, of 100 sovs: second horse to receive 15 sovs from the stake. Over nine flights of hurdles, 3ft 6in high. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 2 sovs. About two miles.

First Handicap Hack Hurdles, of 50 sovs: second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. Over seven flights of hurdles, 3ft 6in high. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. About one mile and a-half.

Taranaki Cup, a handicap of 350 sovs: second horse to receive 35 sovs, and third horse 15 sovs from the stake. The winner of any handicap of the value of 250 sovs after the declaration of the weights to carry 7lb; 150sovs, 5lb; 100sovs, 3lb extra. Penalties not cumulative. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 2 sovs, and a final payment of 5 sovs before 8 p.m. on February 9. One mile and a-half.

First Handicap Hack Race, of 50 sovs: second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. One mile.

Flying Handicap, of 100 sovs: second horse to receive 15 sovs from the stake. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 2 sovs. Six furlongs.

Winner of any Handicap after the declaration of weights to carry 5lb extra. Winner of any Handicap Hurdles after the declaration of weights to carry 7lb extra. Penalties for Taranaki Cup Handicap are published in programme.

SECOND DAY, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 1901.

Grandstand Handicap, of 100 sovs: second horse to receive 15 sovs from the stake. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 2 sov. Seven furlongs.

Huatoki Hack Handicap, of 50 sovs: second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. Six furlongs.

Second Handicap Hurdles, of 80 sovs: second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. Over seven flights of hurdles, 3ft 6in high. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 2 sovs. One mile and a-half.

Second Handicap Hack Hurdles, of 50 sovs: second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. Over seven flights of hurdles, 3ft 6in high. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. One mile and a-half.

Autumn Handicap, of 200 sovs: second horse to receive 20 sovs, and third 10 sovs from the stake. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 3 sovs. One mile and a-quarter.

Second Handicap Hack Race, of 50 sovs: second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. One mile and a-quarter.

Farewell Handicap, of 50 sovs: second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. Entrance, 1 sov; acceptance, 1 sov. Seven furlongs.

Winner of any Handicap after the declaration of weights to carry 5lb extra.

DATES OF NOMINATIONS, WEIGHTS, ENTRIES, AND ACCEPTANCES,

And

Amounts to be forwarded to the Secretary, Taranaki Jockey Club.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 9, 1901, at 9 p.m.

NOMINATIONS—Stewards' Handicap, First Handicap Hurdles, Second Handicap Hurdles, Taranaki Cup, Grandstand Handicap, Flying Handicap, Autumn Handicap, First Handicap Hack Hurdles, Second Handicap Hack Hurdles, First Handicap Hack Race flat, Second Handicap Hack Race flat, Henui Hack Handicap, Huatoki Hack Handicap, Farewell Handicap, 1 sov each.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 23.

WEIGHTS for the Stewards' Handicap, First Hurdles, Taranaki Cup, and Flying Handicaps.

WEIGHTS for Hack Handicaps, First Day only.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 2, AT 9 p.m.

ACCEPTANCES—Stewards' Handicap, First Handicap Hurdles, Taranaki Cup, Flying Handicap, 2 sovs each; First Handicap Hack Hurdles, First Handicap Hack Race flat, Henui Hack Handicap, 1 sov each.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 9, at 8 p.m.

FINAL PAYMENT—Taranaki Cup, 5 sovs

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, at 8 p.m.

WEIGHTS for Second Day's Handicaps.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 1901, at 9 p.m.

ACCEPTANCES—Grandstand Handicap, 2 sovs; Second Handicap Hurdles, 2 sovs; Autumn Handicap, 3 sovs; Second Handicap Hack Hurdles, Second Handicap Hack Race flat, Huatoki Hack Handicap, Farewell Handicap, 1 sov each.

RULES AND REGULATIONS.

To which the attention of Persons entering Horses is particularly directed.

All entries, nominations, etc., will close at the Secretary's Office, New Plymouth, at 9 p.m., except when otherwise specified.

All entries to be sealed and addressed to the Secretary of the Taranaki Jockey Club, New Plymouth, entrance money enclosed, with the name, age at the time of entry, name of owner, pedigree, colours of the rider, and in the case of handicaps, performances of the horse.

Entries must give full particulars of the horse, in terms of New Rule 46, otherwise Entry will be invalid.

Owners, Trainers, and others entering and accepting horses for the T.J.C. Meetings are notified that no entries or acceptances will be received unless accompanied by the necessary amount in cash.

This notification does not apply to Owners and Trainers who have standing arrangements with the Executive.

Any person failing to declare his colours at time of entry will be fined two sovs, unless the colours of the Owner of the horse are duly registered.

No Owner will be permitted to use the registered colours of another Owner without special permission.

Owners are responsible for all penalties and allowances.

All persons intending to withdraw horses are required to give notice to the Secretary, or Clerk of the Scales, one half hour before the official time for starting the race. Any person neglecting or refusing to comply with this rule shall pay a fine, to be imposed by the Stewards, not exceeding 20 sovs to the Race Fund.

Stakes are paid in full.

All races to be run under the N.Z. Rules of Racing. No entry will be received after the hour named under any pretence whatever.

DEFINITION OF A HACK—Hack means a horse that has never won an advertised race, and is not nominated at the time of start for any race—Hack and Hunter races excepted—nor has at time of Nomination won a race of the value of 80 sovs, or races of the collective value of 150 sovs, since August 1, 1899.

MUSSELL FLEETWOOD,
Secretary.



EGMONT RACING CLUB.

SUMMER MEETING.

WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY,

FEBRUARY 20 AND 21, 1900.

PROGRAMME.

FIRST DAY.

SPRING HANDICAP, of 80 sovs. Six furlongs.

FIRST HACK FLAT, of 45 sovs. Six furlongs.

FIRST HURDLES, of 100 sovs. One mile and three-quarters.

FIRST HACK HURDLES, of 50 sovs. One mile and a-half.

EGMONT CUP, of 250 sovs. One mile and a-half.

SIRE'S HACK PRODUCE STAKES, of 200 sovs.</

PAPAKURA RACING CLUB.
ANNUAL RACE MEETING
 TO BE HELD ON THE
PAPAKURA RACECOURSE
 ON
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1901.

President: Mr W. T. Massey, M.H.R. Vice Presidents: Mr F. Lawry, M.H.R., Mr J. G. Rutherford, J.P. Stewards: Messrs W. T. Massey, M.H.R., F. Lawry, M.H.R., D. McLennan, J.P., J. G. Rutherford, Wm. Fitzpatrick, H. Walsh, E. Jones, E. A. Bewes, J.P., Thos. McEwin, E. S. Cole, Jas. Walker, junr., H. Willis, Judge: Mr F. Lawry, M.H.R. Starter: Mr J. P. Stewards: Mr J. O. Evelt. Treasurer: Mr E. J. Willis. Clerk of Course: Mr James Walker, junr. Clerk of Scales: Mr Wm. Haines. Hon Secretary: Mr E. S. Cole.

PROGRAMME.

Maiden Race Handicap, of 12 sovs; second horse to receive 2 sovs from the stake. For horses that have not won an advertised race (jumping races excepted) exceeding 50 sovs in value at time of entry. Nomination, 5s; acceptance, 5s. Seven furlongs.

Flying Stakes Handicap, of 15 sovs; second horse to receive 2 sovs from the stake. Winner of any race (jumping races excepted) after the handicaps are declared to carry a penalty of 7lb extra. Nomination, 5s; acceptance, 7s 6d. Five furlongs.

Pony Race Handicap, of 15 sovs; second horse to receive 2 sovs from the stake. For ponies 14 hands 3 inches and under. Winner of any race (jumping races excepted) after the handicaps are declared to carry a penalty of 7lb extra. Nomination, 5s; acceptance, 7s 6d. Six furlongs.

Papakura Handicap, of 30 sovs; second horse to receive 4 sovs from the stake. Winner of any race (jumping races excepted) after the handicaps are declared to carry a penalty of 7lb. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 15s. One mile.

Hack Race Handicap, of 12 sovs; second horse to receive 2 sovs from the stake. For all horses that have never won an advertised race (jumping races excepted) exceeding 10 sovs in value at time of entry. Winner of any race after the handicaps are declared to carry a penalty of 7lb; two or more, 10lb extra. Nomination, 5s; acceptance, 5s. Six furlongs.

Railway Plate Handicap, of 17 sovs; second horse to receive 2 sovs from the stake. Winner of any race (jumping races excepted) after the handicaps are declared to carry a penalty of 7lb; two or more, 10lb extra. Nomination, 7s 6d; acceptance, 7s 6d. Six furlongs.

NOMINATIONS, WEIGHTS, & ACCEPTANCES.

Nominations for all events close with the Secretary at the Metropolitan Hotel, Auckland, and Papakura Hotel, Papakura, on FRIDAY, JANUARY 25, 1901, at 9 p.m. Weights to appear on WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1901. Acceptances close with the Secretary on FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 1901, at 9 p.m.

N.B.—All Nominations must be accompanied with the necessary amount in cash; also pedigrees and performances of horses.

WAIKEAURI RACING CLUB'S

SUMMER MEETING,
 TO BE HELD ON
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1901.

PROGRAMME.

MAIDEN PLATE, of 5 sovs; second horse to receive 1 sov out of the stake. For horses that have never won a race. Nomination, 2s 6d; acceptance, 2s 6d. One mile.

HANDICAP HURDLES, of 10 sovs; second horse to receive 2 sovs out of the stake. Over six flights of 3ft 6in hurdles. Nomination, 5s; acceptance, 5s. One mile and a-half.

HANDICAP TROT (saddle), of 5 sovs; second horse to receive 1 sov out of the stake. Nomination, 2s 6d; acceptance, 2s 6d. Two miles.

WAIKEAURI CUP HANDICAP, of 25 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stake. Nomination, 12s 6d; acceptance, 12s 6d. One mile and a-quarter.

MEMBERS' WELTER HANDICAP, of 5 sovs. For horses owned by bona fide members of the Club one month before date of race, and to be ridden by a member. Nomination, 2s 6d; acceptance, 2s 6d. One mile.

HANDICAP PONY RACE, of 5 sovs; second horse to receive 1 sov out of the stake. For

E. S. COLE,
 Hon Secretary.

WAIKEAURI RACING CLUB'S
SUMMER MEETING,
 TO BE HELD ON
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1901.

PROGRAMME.

MAIDEN PLATE, of 5 sovs; second horse to receive 1 sov out of the stake. For horses that have never won a race. Nomination, 2s 6d; acceptance, 2s 6d. One mile.

HANDICAP HURDLES, of 10 sovs; second horse to receive 2 sovs out of the stake. Over six flights of 3ft 6in hurdles. Nomination, 5s; acceptance, 5s. One mile and a-half.

HANDICAP TROT (saddle), of 5 sovs; second horse to receive 1 sov out of the stake. Nomination, 2s 6d; acceptance, 2s 6d. Two miles.

WAIKEAURI CUP HANDICAP, of 25 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs out of the stake. Nomination, 12s 6d; acceptance, 12s 6d. One mile and a-quarter.

MEMBERS' WELTER HANDICAP, of 5 sovs. For horses owned by bona fide members of the Club one month before date of race, and to be ridden by a member. Nomination, 2s 6d; acceptance, 2s 6d. One mile.

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FLYING HANDICAP, of 10 sovs; second horse to receive 2 sovs out of the stake. Nomination, 5s; acceptance, 5s. Six furlongs.

PASSED BY THE A.R.C.
CONDITIONS.

All Nominations must be made with the Secretary on or before January 25, at 8 p.m., at Waitekauri. Weights to be declared on Friday, February 1, acceptances up to 8 p.m., Friday, February 8.

No entry will be received for any of the races except on this condition:—That all disputes, claims, and objections arising out of the racing shall be decided by a majority of the stewards present, or those whom they appoint. Their decision upon all points connected with the carrying out of the programme shall be final.

All entries to be sealed and addressed to the Secretary, Waitekauri. Entrance money must be enclosed with name, age, colour, pedigree and performances of horse, name of owner, and colour of rider. Any jockey riding except in the colours entered will be fined £1 ls.

All winners after publication of weights are liable to be re-handicapped.

All protests must be made in writing to the Secretary within ten minutes after the race accompanied by £1 ls, which will be forfeited to the Club if the protest is dismissed.

Rules of the A.R.C. will be strictly enforced.

Admission to Course, 1/
WM. S. MORRIN,
 Secretary.



OTAHUHU TROTting CLUB.
SUMMER MEETING.

TO BE HELD AT
POTTER'S PADDOCK,
SATURDAY, WEDNESDAY, & SATURDAY,
FEBRUARY 23 AND 27 AND MARCH 2, 1901.

President: Mr A. B. Harris, J.P. Vice-Presidents: Messrs Wm. F. Massey, M.H.R., Wm. Abbott, senr., Chas. Baker, Wm. D. Bush. Stewards: Messrs Jas. McLeod, A. B. Harris, J.P., Wm. Abbott, senr., Chas. Baker, Thos. McCroly, W. G. Cannon, R. L. Absolum, Jos. Harper, H. Wilson, Geo. Wilkinson, Wm. D. Bush, Wm. E. Frost, W. Absolum. Judge: Mr A. B. Harris, J.P. Starter: Mr F. W. Edwards. Handicapper: Mr O. C. McGee. Treasurer: Mr Wm. Abbott, senr. Clerk of Course: Mr Thos. A. Brown. Clerk of Scales: Mr H. B. Massey.

PROGRAMME.

(Run under the Rules of the New Zealand Trotting Association, and passed by the said Association.)

FIRST DAY, SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1901.

Maiden Trot Handicap (saddle or harness), of 30 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. For all horses that have not won an advertised trotting race exceeding 15 sovs in value at time of entry. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 15s. One mile and a-half.

Maiden Pony Race Handicap, of 20 sovs; second pony to receive 3 sovs from the stake. For ponies 14 hands 3 inches and under. Three-year-olds and upwards that have never won an advertised race (jumping races excepted) exceeding 15 sovs in value at time of entry. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 10s. Five furlongs.

Otauhu Trotting Cup Handicap (saddle or harness), of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs, and third horse 5 sovs from the stake. Winners after the declaration of the handicaps may be re-handicapped. All horses will be handicapped to trot 2.50 or better to the mile. Nomination, 30s; acceptance, 30s. Two miles.

Hurdle Race Handicap, of 30 sovs; second pony to receive 5 sovs from the stake. For ponies 14 hands 3 inches and under, over six flights of hurdles. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 15s. One mile and a-half.

Harness Trot Handicap, of 50 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. Winners after the declaration of handicaps may be re-handicapped. All horses will be handicapped to trot 2.50 or better to the mile. Nomination, 20s; acceptance, 20s. Two miles.

Suburban Pony Handicap, of 35 sovs; second pony to receive 5 sovs from the stake. For ponies 14 hands 3 inches and under. The winner of any handicap (jumping races excepted) after the weights are declared to carry a penalty of 5lb extra. Nomination, 15s; acceptance, 15s. Six furlongs and a-half.

Electric Trot Handicap (saddle or harness), of 35 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. Winners after the declaration of the handicaps may be re-handicapped. All horses will be handicapped to trot 2.53 or better to the mile. Nomination, 15s; acceptance, 15s. One mile.

Flying Stakes Handicap, of 25 sovs; second pony to receive 5 sovs from the stake. For ponies 14 hands 3 inches and under. The winner of any handicap (jumping races excepted) after the weights are declared to carry a penalty of 7lb; two or more, 10lb extra. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 10s. Five furlongs.

SECOND DAY, WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY, 27, 1901.

Trial Trot Handicap (saddle or harness) of 80 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. For all horses that have not won an advertised trotting race exceeding 20 sovs in value at time of entry. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 15s. One mile.

Second Maiden Pony Race Handicap, of 20 sovs; second pony to receive 8 sovs from the stake. For ponies 14 hands 3 inches and under, three-year-olds and upwards, that have never won an advertised race (jumping races excepted) exceeding 20 sovs in value at time of entry. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 10s. Six furlongs and a-half.

Suburban Trot Handicap (saddle or harness), of 80 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. Winners after the declaration of handicaps may be re-handicapped. All horses will be handicapped to trot 2.53 or better to the mile. Nomination, 20s; acceptance, 25s. Two miles.

Otauhu Pony Cup Handicap, of 50 sovs; second pony to receive 7 sovs, and third pony 3 sovs from the stake. For ponies 14 hands 3 inches and under, three-year-olds and upwards. Nomination, 20s; acceptance, 20s. One mile.

Second Harness Trot Handicap of 50 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. Winners after the handicaps are declared may be re-handicapped. All horses will be handicapped to trot 2.45 or better to the mile. Nomination, 20s; acceptance, 20s. One mile and a-half.

Steeplechase Handicap, of 40 sovs; second pony to receive 7 sovs, and third pony 3 sovs from the stake. For ponies 14 hands 3 inches and under. Nomination, 15s; acceptance, 15s. About two miles and a-half.

Telegraph Trot Handicap (saddle or harness), of 35 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. Winners after the handicaps are declared may be re-handicapped. All horses may be handicapped to trot 2.53 or better to the mile. Nomination, 15s; acceptance, 15s. One mile.

Pony Handicap, of 25 sovs; second pony to receive 5 sovs from the stake. For ponies 14 hands 3 inches and under. The winner of any handicap (jumping races excepted) after the weights are declared to carry a penalty of 7lb; two or more, 10lb extra. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 10s. Five furlongs.

THIRD DAY—SATURDAY, MARCH 2, 1901.

President's Handicap Trot (Saddle or Harness) of 30 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. For all horses that have not won an advertised trotting race exceeding 25 sovs in value at time of entry. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 15s. Distance, one mile and a-half.

Epsom Stakes Handicap of 20 sovs; second pony to receive 3 sovs from the stake. For ponies 14 hands 3 inches and under. Three-year-olds and upwards, that have never won an advertised race (jumping races excepted) exceeding 20 sovs in value at time of entry. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 10s. Distance, five furlongs.

Criterion Trot Handicap (Saddle or Harness) of 60 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. Winner of President's Trot may be re-handicapped. All horses will be handicapped to trot 2.50 or better to the mile. Nomination, 20s; acceptance, 25s. Distance, two miles.

Welcome Stakes Handicap of 35 sovs; second pony to receive 5 sovs from the stake. For ponies 14 hands 3 inches and under. The winner of any race (jumping races excepted) after the weights are declared to carry a penalty of 5lb extra. Nomination, 15s; acceptance, 15s. Distance, six furlongs and a-half.

High-class Trot Handicap (Saddle or Harness) of 60 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. All horses will be handicapped to trot 2.40 or better to the mile. Winners after the declaration of handicaps may be re-handicapped. Nomination, 20s; acceptance, 25s. Distance, one mile and a-half.

Second Hurdle Race Handicap of 30 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. For ponies 14 hands 3 inches and under. Over six flights of hurdles. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 15s. Distance, one mile and a-half.

Richmond Domain Handicap Trot (Saddle or Harness) of 35 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. Winners after the declaration of the handicaps may be re-handicapped. All horses will be handicapped to trot 2.53 or better. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 15s. Distance, one mile.

Franklin Handicap of 25 sovs; second pony to receive 5 sovs from the stake. For ponies 14 hands 3 inches and under. The winner of any handicap (jumping races excepted) after the weights are declared to carry a penalty of 7lb; two or more, 10lb extra. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 10s. Distance, five furlongs.

NOMINATIONS, WEIGHTS, AND ACCEPTANCES.

NOMINATIONS for all Events Close with the Secretary at the Metropolitan Hotel, Auckland, and at Otauhu, on FRIDAY, February 8th, 1901, at 10 p.m.

HANDICAPS for the FIRST DAY to appear on 12th February, 1901.

HANDICAPS for the SECOND DAY to appear on 25th February, 1901.

HANDICAPS for the THIRD DAY to appear on 28th February, 1901.

ACCEPTANCES for the FIRST DAY Close with the Secretary on FRIDAY, February 15th, at 10 p.m.

ACCEPTANCES for the SECOND DAY Close with the Secretary on MONDAY, February 25th, 1901, at 10 p.m.

ACCEPTANCES for the THIRD DAY Close with the Secretary on THURSDAY, February 28th, 1901, at 10 p.m.

N.B.—All Nominations must be accompanied with Cash, or the horse will not be handicapped. Performances must be sent in for horses that have not started at Potter's Paddock.

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NOTICE.

Special attention is drawn to the following Rule of the New Zealand Trotting Association:—"Every owner of trotting horses and ponies in New Zealand must register with the Association all horses in his possession giving brands, age, pedigree, and general description of each horse. Any unregistered horse or pony starting at any Trotting Meeting held under these Rules shall be disqualified. The fee for Registration to be 2s 6d."

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PROGRAMME.

FIRST DAY.

Maiden Plate of 30 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. For all horses that have not won an advertised race exceeding the value of 15 sovs. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 15s. Distance, one mile.

Handicap Hurdles, of 40 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. Over eight flights of hurdles. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 25s. Distance, two miles.

Karangahake Handicap, of 30 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 15s. Distance, five furlongs.

Pony Handicap, of 25 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. For ponies 14.3 hands and under. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 10s. Distance, six furlongs.

Ohinemuri Cup, of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 15 sovs from the stake. Winner of any race of the value of 40 sovs after the weights are declared to carry 7lb extra, of 100 sovs 10lb extra. Nomination, 20s; acceptance, 50s. Distance, one and a-half miles.

Hack Handicap, of 25 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. For all horses that have not won an advertised race of the value of 10 sovs at time of entry. Confined to horses from the Counties of Waikato, Piako, Ohinemuri, Bay of Plenty, Thames, and Coromandel, and that have been the bona-fide property of nominators two months previous to day of nomination. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 10s. Distance, seven furlongs.

Paeroa Steeplechase, of 50 sovs; second horse to receive 7 sovs from the stake. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 30s. Distance, about three miles.

St Patrick's Handicap, of 40 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. Winner of the Karangahake Handicap or Ohinemuri Cup to carry a penalty of 7lb extra (or both, 10lb extra). Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 25s. Distance, six furlongs.

SECOND DAY.

Maiden Hurdles, of 30 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. For all horses that have not won an advertised hurdle race of the value of 10 sovs at the time of entry. Over six flights of hurdles. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 15s. Distance, one and a-half miles.

Waitekauri Plate, of 35 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 20s. Distance, five furlongs.

Pony Handicap, of 30 sovs; second pony to receive 5 sovs from the stake. For ponies 14.3 and under. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 15s. Distance, five furlongs.

District Handicap Hurdles, of 40 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. Winner of Maiden Hurdles to carry penalty of 7lb extra. Over seven flights of hurdles. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 25s. Distance, one and three-quarter miles.

Waihi Handicap, of 50 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. Winner of Waitekauri Plate to carry a penalty of 5lb. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 30s. Distance, one and a-quarter miles.

Second Hack Handicap, of 25 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. For all horses that have not won an advertised race exceeding the value of 10 sovs at time of entry. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 10s. Distance, one mile.

Tally-ho Steeplechase, of 60 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs from the stake. Nomination, 15s; acceptance, 30s. Distance, about three miles.

Paeroa Handicap, of 40 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. Winner of Waitekauri Plate or Waihi Handicap to carry a penalty of 7lb extra (or both, 10lb extra). Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 25s. Distance, seven furlongs.

NOMINATIONS, WEIGHTS, AND ACCEPTANCES.

Nominations for all events close at 9 p.m. on SATURDAY, the 23rd day of February, 1901.

Weights will appear for First Day's Races on or about FRIDAY, the 8th day of March, 1901.

Acceptances for all events First Day's Races close at 9 p.m. THURSDAY, the 14th day of March, 1901.

Weights for all events of Second Day's Races will be declared at 8 p.m. on the evening of First Day's Races. Acceptances close at 10 p.m. on the same evening.

RULES AND REGULATIONS.

All entries to be addressed to the Secretary, Paeroa, Ohinemuri, or to Mr W. Bloomfield's Office, Durham Street, Auckland, and must be accompanied by the advertised amount of Entrance Money.

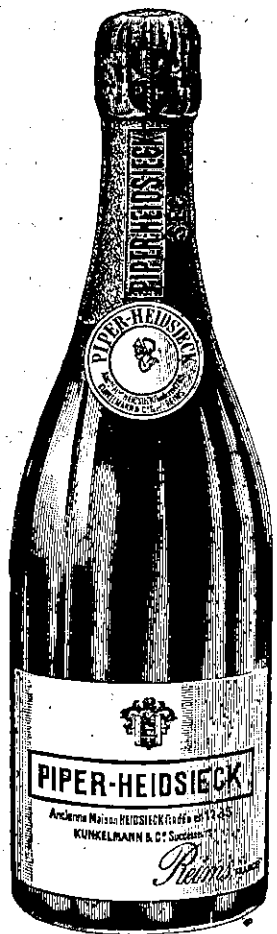
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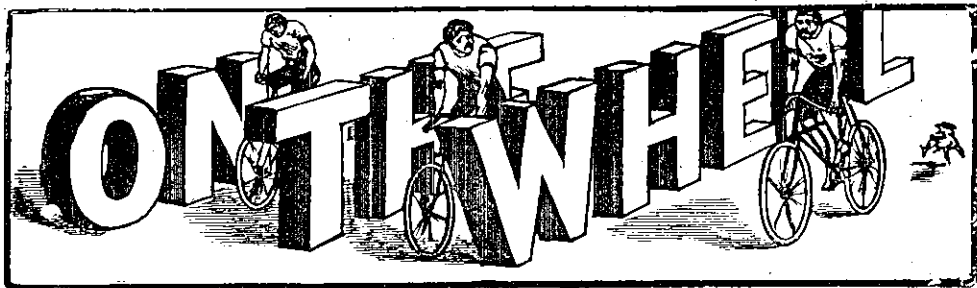
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Martin complains that “an official” at the North Suburban Club’s meeting, after expressing a wish to “have a bob or two” on him, accused him of falling on purpose to lose! A rider of Martin’s experience would not be likely to so risk his neck, even if disposed to do anything crooked; and if the story can be corroborated, that “official” should be seen no more at any decently conducted meeting.

At a recent meeting of the League of New Zealand Wheelmen it was decided to make an endeavor to secure the presence of Forbes, Hunt, and Body, and some of the Australian riders, at the Easter championship meeting. The secretary was instructed to write to Australia and see what could be done.

Representatives of the committee of the Melbourne Cricket Club waited on the Attorney-General, to ask to be allowed, under the provisions of the Streets Betting Suppression Act, to prohibit betting at the M.C.C. ground at bicycle sports held there from time to time. The congregation of bookmakers and other objectionable characters at bicycle sports has been alluded to before in these columns, and the committee of the M.C.C. has been urged to take steps to abate the nuisance. Mr Isaacs pointed out that there was no power under the Act to allow of the exclusion of objectionable characters from bicycle sports, but he had framed a clause to amend the Streets Betting Suppression Act which would meet the object now aimed at by the committee of the Melbourne Cricket Club.

W. A. Edmonds, of the N.C.U., has, this season, gained twenty-two first and two Local Centre Championships and seven Challenge Cups.

As a result of the recent conference between the Mayor and Mr A. Kidd and a deputation from the Cycle Roads League, it is probable that a path will be constructed along the seaside of Beach Road. This will give a fine level run, and if the Council carry out the work they will earn the gratitude of all Auckland cyclists. The Mayor mentioned that the present was an exceptionally inconvenient time to consider the matter of constructing cycle paths in the city, but after the new tram lines were laid down and the water supply completed, there would be plenty of opportunity to discuss the whole question. The Mayor informed the deputation that the Tramway Company intended to pave the space between their lines with wood, and that they might possibly, if the matter was placed before them, extend the paving on one side sufficiently to enable cyclists to ride on it. They might also, possibly, with the company’s permission, and at their own risk, ride between the rails on the paving. These were, however, merely suggestions, and their fulfilment lay with the company.

The Auckland Roads League are moving in the direction of getting cheaper rates of carriage of bicycles on the railways. The movement is one worthy of support, as the railway officials are not always as careful as they might be in the handling and stowing of machines, which are articles which require great care in stowing. It is only right that provision

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should be made by the Government to have special means of storage for bicycles on the railways. Provision is made for the conveyance of cycles in America and other countries, therefore it is only reasonable that the same should be provided in New Zealand.

It is just announced that Bouhours was the biggest stake winner on the Continent last season with £800. Martin has won over that in Australia in three months.

Bill Martin won £285 in prize-money at the recent night carnival in Sydney, and he did not race on the first three nights. The other chief winners were—G. R. Morgan, £83; F. S. Beauchamp, £56; J. Megson, £47; A. Gudgeon, £40; I. Lawson, £30; and J. Green, £29.

It is very hard for the New South Wales champion, J. Megson, that he should be unwell while the recent racing was on in Sydney. During the first three nights Megson was on top, but after that he contracted a heavy cold, and had to take a back seat. He has now, however, almost recovered.

It is the opinion of a great many that Ivor Lawson, the American, is a faster sprinter than Megson. The American is certainly a wonderful finisher, for very often he does not appear to have a chance 150yds from the winning line, but he travels much faster than the others over the last hundred yards, and wins. This is where Megson shines when at his best. He is a very fast finisher. A race between the American and Megson in his true form would be worth travelling a long way to see.

At the last meeting of the general committee of the English A.A.A. held on December 8, two records were passed, viz., C. H. Jupp's 100yds in 10sec, on June 13, 1900; and C. Bennett's three-quarter mile in 3min 10 4-5sec, on September 22, 1900. With regard to the proposal of the A.A.U. of Australia

for an alliance with the English A.A.A., the question was discussed, and the hon. secretary was instructed to communicate with Mr Marks, the hon. secretary of the A.A. Union for fuller particulars of the proposed alliance. I am sure I cannot understand what additional particulars can be required. Ample and complete information was given in the letter sent as to what was desired.

It is not generally known to most people that the pneumatic tyre was invented before the solid, yet such was the case. The first pneumatic was invented in 1845, but it failed to catch on to any extent, and the solid tyre, which afterwards came into general use, was not introduced till 1846. It is, therefore, somewhat strange that the pneumatic tyre did not find favor until some thirty odd years after it was first introduced.

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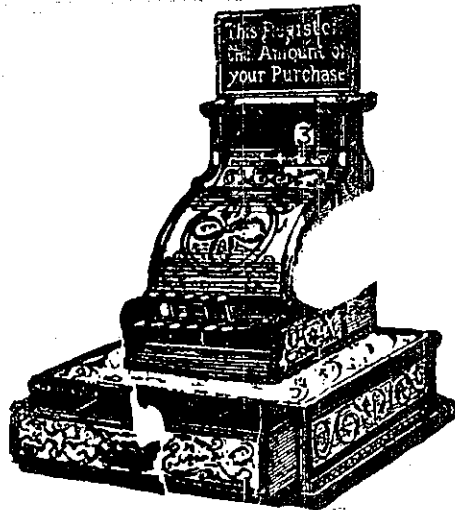
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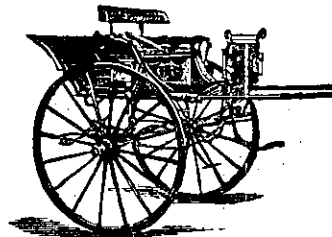
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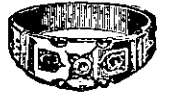
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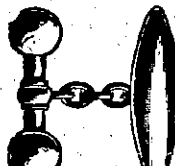
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[BY VIGILANT.]

Mr G. A. Moir, the joint 100 yards champion of Victoria, has just passed the final examination for barristers and solicitors. The Melbourne University will, says "Harrier" in the "Australasian," have to find another sprinter—if it can—to take the place of the very capable Allan Moir in their races against Sydney University.

The Kopu Athletic Club hold their second Annual Athletic Carnival at Maxwell's Paddock, Kopu, on February 16. The programme consists of fourteen events, the principal of which is the Kopu Cup Handicap run over three distances. A promenade concert and dance will be held in the evening in the Kopu Hall.

According to an exchange W. F. Simpson, the long-distance runner, who is now twenty-four years of age, has started in thirty-three races, won nineteen of them, been second in seven, third in two, and been unplaced five times. He has started in six championship events and won three, and has been second in two of them.

The handsome profit of £364 was made on the English athletic championships, an enormous muster having been attracted to the summer meeting by reason of the presence of the American and Colonial athletes.

The twenty-first Oxford and Cambridge cross-country race took place on Dec. 8, and resulted in a win for Cambridge, after a very interesting contest, by 25 points to 30 points. The winner of the race was O. E. Pumphrey (Cambridge), Dawson (Oxford) being second and B. B. Sharpe (Oxford) third. Pumphrey also finished first in the previous season's contest. Cambridge thirteen times and Oxford eight. There has only been one closer race, and that was in 1887, when Cambridge won by 28 points to 29.

In a private note from W. F. Simpson, says "Sprinter" in the "Canterbury Times", I learn that I was correct in assuming the reason for his not being returned winner in the Commonwealth Celebration Mile Championship was that, if he started—a fact of which I was not aware at the time—the race came after the three mile, and the New Zealander was not in a position to do himself justice. He writes:—The three-mile came first on the programme. I had only had three weeks' training, and was unable to get thoroughly well on account of the great heat. Consequently, after winning the three-mile I was very sick and felt completely done up. In the one-mile I was leading one hundred and twenty yards from home, when York made a rush and got a lead of three yards. I left the sprint too late and he beat me by a yard.

In the last issue of the "Australasian" Harrier has the following comment on the lessons to be learnt from the working of the new rules of walking during their short trial:—

When the new rules of walking were introduced last year, I ventured to doubt their efficacy, not because of any deficiency in the rules (which were well and ably drawn, though not entirely to my mind), but because I was of opinion that judges capable of adequately carrying them into effect could not be found. What has happened since has tended to confirm my doubts. It was said by some that under the new rule of walking would be walking, and a mile under 7min become impossible. Yet 7min has been beaten several times, and by men certainly inferior to D. Wilson, Barrett, Creamer, and company. It was said that with walking defined in one way for all judges uniformity of style and a fair style would result.

M. M. Roseingrave has failed to get a place in the Sixth Contingent. We may now look forward to his keeping his promise of again meeting George Smith over the 120 yards hurdles at the March Meeting of the A.A.A. and C.O.

Reviewing the English University meetings held in November "Sprinter," in "Athletic News," says:—Taken all round, the performances of Light and Dark Blue new-comers were fairly average. Nothing very particular was put on record, but per contra, several of the competitors showed great promise of future excellence. The conditions (especially at Oxford) were not favorable to fast times, etc., albeit both Burrin and Watts had got the tracks into fair trim. Summarised (for future reference), the respective results read thus:—

Event.	Oxford.	Cambridge.
"100"	11 1-5	10 1/2
"Quarter"	54 1-5	54 2-5
High Jump	5 4	5 2 1/2
Long Jump	20 2 1/2	18 5
"Half"	2 7 2-5	2 7
One Mile...	4 41	4 51 4-5
Weight ...	32 2 1/2	31 11 1/2
Hammer ...	99 10	80 9
Hurdles ...	18 3-5	18 2-5

From this it will be seen that the Dark Blues excelled in six events out of nine. The Cambridge Three Miles was run in 16min 50 1/2sec—about the worst on record for Fenner's!

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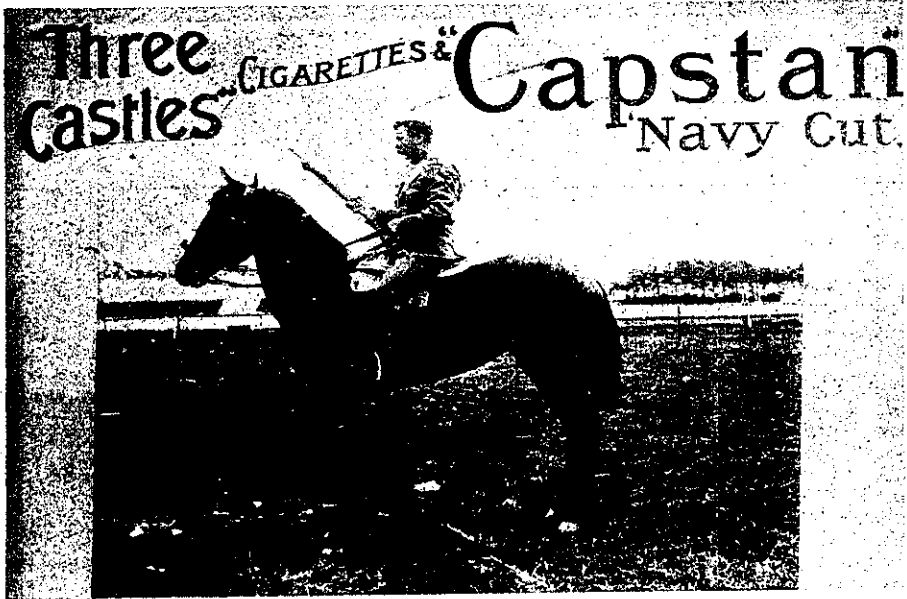
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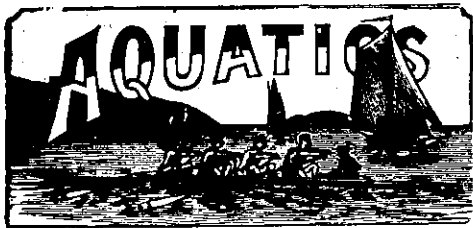
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FIXTURES.

- Feb 9—North Shore Sailing Club Races
- Feb 16—Parnell Sailing Club Races
- Feb 23—Auckland Yacht Club Cruise
- Feb 23—Auckland Swimming Club Carnival
- Mar 9—Auckland Yacht Club Races
- Mar 9—Parnell Sailing Club General Handicaps
- Mar 16—North Shore Sailing Club General Handicaps
- Mar 23—Auckland Yacht Club. Thelma Cup

The Auckland Yacht Club's annual picnic takes place at Home Bay, Motutapu, next Saturday afternoon.

North Shore Sailing Club races, set down for next Saturday afternoon, have been postponed until the 23rd inst. The Club's picnic will probably be held on the 16th inst.

The protest of Paua against Stingaree in the late race of the North Shore Sailing Club was considered at a meeting of the Committee on Thursday last, and was sustained, Stingaree not having come up and crossed the starting line.

The seventh annual carnival of the Wellington Amateur Swimming Club was held on January 22 on the southern side of the Queen's Wharf.

The principal event was the 100 Yards Provincial Championship, in which E. T. Hegglin (of Blenheim), F. Roberts, G. A. Wilkes, and R. V. Logie started. Hegglin went away at the start, but was soon overhauled by Roberts, who kept in the lead till ten yards from the finish. Hegglin then came with a determined finish, and won by the touch. Wilkes was third. The swimming of P. Duilio, of Foxton, was the feature of the meeting, as he won the Ladies' Bracelet of 75yds easily, with 5sec start, in 52 2 5sec, and the Anniversary Handicap, 50yds, with 3sec, in 35 2-5sec. The Maiden Race, of 50yds, was won by W. J. Bannehr, with C. W. Neilson second.

The Auckland Swimming Club's Carnival will take place in the Graving Dock on Saturday, 16th inst. A splendid programme, consisting of 14 events, has been arranged as follows:—100 yards interprovincial championship, 50 yards Crowther handicap, 100 yards ladies' bracelet handicap, 220 yards century handicap, 75 yards novices' handicap, 50 yards old buffers' handicap, 50 yards and 75 yards handicaps for boys under 15, 50 yards ladies' handicap, district relay race, five men a-side, West End v. City; water polo match, West End v. City; tub race, neat jump off dock for boys, neat dive. The Club's rule that costumes must be dark blue or black, with trunks of the same colour, will be strictly enforced. A brass band will be in attendance, and the Committee have arranged to have afternoon tea for their lady visitors. Mr W. Cossar will give an exhibition of fancy swimming. Given a fine day the function should be a pleasant outing. The arrangements for the carrying out of the carnival are being energetically taken in hand by Messrs P. H. Hughes and H. G. Chevis, joint secretaries.



Photo by the Edwards Studio, Auckland.
MR W. ROSEVEAR, AS MOUSKERTON, IN "THE KING'S MUSKETEER."

The Executive Committee of the Ngaruawahia Regatta have fixed Saturday, March 16, for their annual regatta and aquatic carnival. The Maoris are taking great interest in the function, and several new canoes are being built for the occasion.

The Prince Alfred Yacht Club (Sydney) held its third annual contest for Commodore Horden's Cup on Saturday, January 19. According to the conditions the cup must be competed for until won three times by the same member in his own yacht. On this occasion the winner turned up in Vice-Commodore W. M. Marks' yacht Isea. Of the 15 entrants for the race 13 were starters, the handicaps being as follows:—Bona, scratch; White Wings, 54min; Isea, 21min; Petrel, 26min; Heather, 26min; Fleetwing, 26min; Magic, 26min; Cooya, 27min; Aoma, 27min; Meteor, 27min; Herreshoff, 30min; Bul Bul, 33min; Carnassie, 42min. The previous winners were Mr James Cox's Herreshoff and Mr C. T. Brockhoff's Aoma.

The Anniversary Regatta of the Port Nicholson Yacht Club was held on January 22 in favourable weather. There was a north-west wind, which varied slightly in power, but was never more than moderately strong. Much interest was taken in the meeting of the Auckland yacht Rainbow and the Wellington yacht Waitangi. They were the only two that competed in the race for first-class yachts. The Rainbow sailed a course of 27 knots in 16min 21sec less time than the Waitangi, including her time allowance of 9min 50sec. The Rainbow won by 26min 11sec. The first race for second-class yachts was won by Atlanta, and the second race by Mahina. In the first race for half-raters Buru was the winner, and Maroro won the second race.

The General Committee of the Lyttelton Jubilee Regatta met last week, Mr J. T. Brice in the chair. The chairman having made a touching reference to the death of Queen Victoria, the business of the meeting was opened by Mr C. Ferrier, hon treasurer, presenting an interim statement, showing receipts £778 and expenditure £1072. This left a debit balance of £274. This amount it was agreed to take from the fund which had been accumulating for the Jubilee Regatta during the past ten years. The credit balance of the fund would then be £189. A sub-committee was appointed to procure souvenirs to be presented to Messrs Lewin and Ferrier, secretary and treasurer respectively, whose ability and energy were highly praised. It was decided to send to Mr Williams, head of the provisioning department of the Union Steamship Company, £10 to be distributed among the stewards and cooks of the Te Anau in recognition of their services at the luncheon on board that steamer. It was also agreed that a sum of £50 be set aside to be used only in case of a financial loss on any future Lyttelton Regatta. A vote of thanks was ordered to be recorded to the Maori sub-committee, with especial reference to its convener, Mr E. U. Just, who, in acknowledging the vote, paid tribute to the assistance rendered by Messrs D. Jack and E. Hastings. Votes of thanks were carried to Mr J. T. Brice for his able conduct as chairman of the committee, to Mr C. A. Rich for his very satisfactory handicapping in the yacht races, and to the various

officials. It was decided to write to the General Manager of the Railways expressing the Committee's appreciation of the very satisfactory arrangements made by the railway authorities on the regatta days

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12 noon—Maiden Race of £1, distance 120yds: First prize, 15s; second, 5s. Nomination, 1s. Post entry 12.15 p.m.—Kopu Cup Handicap of £6, three distances, 100, 200, 300 yards: First prize, £4 10s; second, £1; third, 10s. Nomination 4s; acceptance, 2s. First heat, 100yds. 12.30 p.m.—Mile Handicap of £3: First prize, £2; second, 15s; third, 5s. Nomination, 2s; acceptance, 1s. 1 p.m.—Kopu Pig: Prize, the Pig. Post entry, 1.45 p.m.—Greasy Pig: Prize, the Pig. Post entry, 2 p.m.—Ladies' Bracelet Handicap, 220yds: First prize, Bracelet; second, Brooch. Nomination, 2s 6d. All competitors to be nominated by ladies. 2.20 p.m.—Half-mile Handicap of £3: First prize, £2; second, 15s; third, 5s. Nomination, 2s; acceptance, 1s. 2.40 p.m.—Obstacle Race of £1 10s: First prize, £1; second, 10s. Nomination, 2s. Post entry, 3 p.m.—Kopu Cup Handicap, final heat, 300yds. 3.20 p.m.—Handicap Hurdle Race of £3: First prize, £2; second, 15s; third, 5s. Nomination, 2s; acceptance, 1s. Distance 120yds. 3.45 p.m.—Mill Hands and Bushmen's Race of £2 10s: First prize, £2; second, 10s. Nomination, 1s 6d; acceptance, 1s. Distance 150yds. 4 p.m.—Quarter-mile Handicap of £3: First prize, £2; second, 15s; third, 5s. Nomination, 2s; acceptance, 1s. 4.20 p.m.—Officials' Race, 100yds handicap. Post Entry, 4.45 p.m.—Consolation Race: First prize, £1. Nomination, 1s. Post entry. Children's Races and other events will be added to the programme at the discretion of the Committee. Handicaps will be declared on Tuesday, February 12. Acceptances will be received up to noon on Day of Race.
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MR OLLY DEERING, AS GRIMAUD, IN "A ROYAL DIVORCE."



"Paul Fry" will be glad to hear from those manager of theatrical companies touring New Zealand who desire that the public shall know the movements of the companies. Any information as to dates, etc., will be acknowledged in these columns, as well as any other items of interest to the theatrical world. All letters should be addressed—"Paul Fry," SPORTING AND DRAMATIC REVIEW, Vulcan Lane, Auckland.

Giuseppe, Verdi who died on Jan. 25, was the son of an innkeeper, born at Rancola, in the duchy of Parma, October 9, 1814. He received his first lessons from an organist in Milan, where he resided from 1833 till 1836; studied diligently under Lavigna, and in 1839 published his earliest work, a musical drama entitled "Oberto di San Bonifazio." His principal compositions are serious operas, and the "Lombardi," one of his first productions, made a strong impression throughout Italy, and laid the foundation of his fame. His best known operas are "Nabuccodonosor," "Ernani" (founded on Victor Hugo's tragedy), the "Dus Foscari," "Attila," "Macbeth," the "Maenadiere" (founded on the "Robbers" of Schiller), "Louisa Miller," "Rigoletto," the "Trovatore," "La Traviata," "Un Ballo in Maschera" (performed in London in 1861), and "Don Carlos" (performed at the Royal Italian Opera, Covent Garden, in 1867). The "Maenadiere," written for Her Majesty's Theatre, and produced in 1847, with Jennie Lind as heroine, proved a failure in London, though it has since been successful in Italy. The "Trovatore" and "La Traviata" have had great success, not only in Italy, but in Germany, France and England. Signer Verdi's more recent operas are "Giovanno d'Arco" in 1868, "La Forza del Destino" in 1869, and "Aida" performed at the Scala, Milan, in 1872. His celebrated "Requiem Mass," composed in honour of his great countryman Mazzoni, was first performed in the Church of San Marco at Milan, May 23, 1874. He completed in 1878 a new opera in five acts entitled "Montezuma," which was given for the first time at La Scala Milan. This was followed in 1886 by "Otello," which was re-produced at the Lyceum in London in 1889. In 1883 "Falstaff," a new opera, was produced at Milan, and received with great enthusiasm. At its re-production in Paris in 1894 Verdi himself was present. On his return from Paris to his native country in April, 1880, he received the order of the Crown of Italy.

Miss Ada Ferrar, who played Flavia in "The Prisoner of Zenda," and Marcia in "The Sign of the Cross," very successfully in Australasia two years ago, has been playing a season in New York with Mr John Hare and Miss Irene Vanbrugh.

A programme of exceptional merit has been presented at the Agricultural Hall during the week. A new endman in the person of Mr Geo. Williamson has made a successful appearance, his coon songs creating a good impression. Miss Lottie Lorne and Messrs Sylvain and Watkins continue to make things merry with good comic

business, whilst Miss Lena Young and Mr John Fuller are as usual well received in their ballads, the just "In the Dusk of the Twilight" contributed by these two artists being vociferously applauded. Miss Trixie Le Mar and Aubrey Douglas also assist with good items.

The British Biograph Company have started another short season at the Opera House. So excellent was the entertainment provided on the previous visit that success is assured, more especially as a large number of splendid new films have been added. A most enjoyable evening can be spent in witnessing the magnificent views presented.

Ferry, the human frog, has finished his season at the City Hall. His performance has been witnessed by so many and praised again and again that it is needless to enlarge on the success this wonderful equilibrist has achieved. Frank Clark is still to the front. His fund of humour and new business seems unlimited, some of his skits being really clever, with the result that the clever comedian is recalled repeatedly. Needless to say, Miss Eileen Boyd is again a great favourite. Her voice has gained in volume, and her dancing leaves little to be desired. Mr Dix has a strong band at present, and with an elaborate first part setting continues to draw good audiences. The Patterson Bros, truly wonderful bar performers, have arrived to augment Mr Dix's Company. Some of their feats are most unique, and require to be seen to be believed. Another great addition to the ranks is Mr John Coleman, who created a sensation here on a previous visit with his original "scarecrow" dance. The new arrivals received a great reception on their first appearance.

New Plymouth playgoers were afforded an opportunity of witnessing a first-class comedy on Tuesday and Wednesday (Jan. 29 and 30), when the Charles Arnold English Comedy Company played "What Happened to Jones" and "Why Smith Left Home" respectively. On the first night there assembled what must be considered a record house for the town, and the "happenings" to Jones left the large audience thoroughly amused and entertained. Mr Arnold as "Jones" was, of course the central figure of the comedy, but the other members of the company have plenty to do in sustaining their parts, and thereby adding to the fun and zest of the evening. The "house" totalled about £120, which, I understand, so far constitutes a record for the company, outside of the cities. The company were also favored with a large house to hear the reasons "Why Smith Left Home," and again the company gave a capital performance, that not only entertained, but made the audience forget dull care for a few hours. Mr J. L. Lohr, who is touring the company, should be near reaching Auckland by the time these lines appear in print. This is Mr Lohr's twenty-first tour through New Zealand, and the veteran, despite the wear and tear entailed in travelling, never looked better in his life.—(Taranaki correspondent.)

Mr Williamson is not confining his attention to Italian opera. He has made arrangements for the production of several new London Gaiety Company pieces, which are to be performed in Melbourne and Sydney by the present "Florodora" Company, strengthened by some new artists from London. The rights of "San Toy," "The Messenger Boy," "The Circus Girl," and "The Runaway Girl" have been purchased, and



Photo by Talma, Sydney. MISS LILLIAN WHEELER, AS MARIAN, IN "TESS OF THE D'URBREVILLES."

it is Mr Williamson's intention to add "The Casino Girl" to the list. The enterprising manager says that "a complete organisation is coming to him from the United States," and he adds mysteriously that "he has other combinations and plays, the dates of which are fixed too far ahead for him to give details just now."

Edwin Geach sends me the Perth "Morning Herald" containing the account of Donald Macdonald's entertainment by the Perth journalists. The Westralians gave the returned war correspondent a warm welcome, and after an enjoyable trip on the water the party sat down to luncheon at the Osborne Hotel, where full justice was done to the following menu:—Soup, ox-tail a la Buller; fish, boiled Tugela schnapper and pom-pom sauce; entrees, Salmi wild duck (commandeered), giblet pie (quarter ration), lady-smith curry (110 in the shade); joints, roast sirloin of horse and muleradish, roast tinned ham and Maxim sauce, roast loin Victorian pork and "Argus" sauce; poultry, roast Lombard's Kop chicken and Long Tom Ham; sweets, Natal plum pudding, George White sauce; 47 jellies, mulberry pie—a veldt want; fruit in Macdonald season, peaches, geaches, almonds, and raisins.

That fine romantic play "The Only Way" gave the Crane-Power Company an opportunity second only to that afforded by "The King's Musketeer," and full advantage was taken of it. "The Only Way" was staged on Wednesday and Thursday in last week, and on both occasions a good house appreciated the thoroughly good work. Mr Freeman Wills' dramatisation of Charles Dickens' immortal story "The Tale of Two Cities" is excellent all through, and the interpretation by the various artists engaged was distinctly good. The Lucie Mamette of Miss Edith Crane was a pretty picture of a simple, loving and loveable young girl. There is hardly scope enough for Miss Crane in the character, but her acting was always graceful and off times pathetic. Sidney Carton gives an actor a great chance. Mr Tyrone Power's portrait of Carton was a capital one. The scene in his chambers with Defarge was well done, and his work in the Tribunal Scene was strong and convincing. Mr Cecil Ward also made a big hit as Defarge, while the Lorry of Mr Arthur Lissant, the Dr Manette of Mr W. F. Grant, the Charles Damay of Mr Cyril Keightley, and the Stryver of Mr Olly Deering were all played with care and cleverness. Miss Rose Musgrove made the faithful Mimi, just the splendid character she is in the book. All the minor parts were in good hands. A word of praise must be spoken of the scenery, Dr Manette's Garden being an especially pretty set.

"Cinderella" has been going stronger than ever at the Melbourne Princess. The gallery occupants have averaged to now twelve hundred at every performance, and the stalls and circle are crowded nightly. Next to the scenery and dresses the most wonderful thing in the show is, of course, Miss Nellie Stewart's "boy." A lady in the front row of the circle one night paid the popular star the highest compliment she could. "Why," she said, turning to a friend, "she looks just like a boy." And that's it. Miss Stewart has knocked out once and for all the old-style burlesque boy with his or her twenty-inch waist and

great hips. She builds up her figure to look like a boy, and sacrifices her waist line to the general effect, and the effect, mark you, is excellent, says the Melbourne Punch.

"Trilby" was given by the Crane-Power organisation on Friday. In the name part Miss Edith Crane was excellent. The Svengali of Mr Power was a good performance. His make-up in the third act was rather too ridiculous, and certainly spoilt an otherwise capital representation. Zou Zou, Taffy, and The Laird, in the respective hands of Mr Cecil Ward, Mr Cyril Keightley, and Mr W. F. Grant, were good, but the Little Billee of Mr Dougall, and the Gecko of Mr Carden Wilson were hardly strong enough. Miss Hettie Muret was amusing as Madame Vinard, and Mr Olly Deering raised some laughter as the Rev Thomas Bagot.

The Crane-Power Company brought their visit to New Zealand to a close on Monday night, when a new drama, "Nadjezda," was played for the first in Australasia. The play is from the pen of Mr Maurice Barrymore, and is clever in construction, powerful in plot, and it has much clever dialogue. I have not the space in this issue to do full justice to the play, so will defer any remarks until next week.

That the return season of the British Biograph Co. would be warmly welcomed was a foregone conclusion, and the large attendance on Tuesday evening showed that the excellence of the former exhibition was not forgotten. Since the last visit several important films have been added to the highly-interesting collection of pictures shown by the biograph. One of the best of the new ones is perhaps the picture of H.M.s. Viper, the new torpedo-boat destroyer, steaming at the rate of 36 knots an hour. Another very popular scene was that of the Shamrock and Columbia, rounding a buoy during the late America Cup contest. Another sea picture very highly appreciated was the big battleship Odin, with all her guns in action. Fire brigade pictures are always pleasing to the public, and the views exhibited of the Kansas City Brigade at work at the Paris Exhibition were received with much enthusiasm. The other "living pictures," both old and new, were viewed with great interest, and the managers may, I think, rest assured that their exhibition will be well patronised during the remaining nights of the season.



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THE REGATTA,
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NOTICE is hereby given that the under-mentioned SMALL GRAZING RUN will be open for application at this office on MONDAY, the 25th day of February, 1901, at the rental stated.

In the event of more than one application being received on the same day, the right to select will be decided by ballot on the following day at 11 a.m.

A. ROMANDEL COUNTY.—Harataunga D.D., Blocks V. and VI.: Small Grazing Run No. 27, 2560 acres, Auckland Museum Endowment, or Waikanae, Block, Half-yearly rental £12. Term of Lease, 21 years, from 1st March, 1901. Broken pasture land; forest and open; clay soil; very medium quality and well watered; situated between Cabbage Bay and Waikawau Bay, and within a mile of each bay.

The Lease will be under Part V. of "The Land Act, 1892." Forms of application and poster plans obtainable at this office.

GERHARD MUELLER, Commissioner of Crown Lands.

IMPERIAL TROOPS RECEPTION.

URGENT NOTICE.

In case the authorities agree to the billeting of the Imperial Troops on the Citizens of Auckland and Suburbs, the committee ask all those who are willing to offer hospitality to the Troops to send in their names and addresses forthwith to the Hon. Secretaries, stating how many they are willing to accommodate.

S. A. GOLDSTEIN, R. E. HUNT, Joint Hon. Secs.

SIXTH CONTINGENT TO SOUTH AFRICA DEMONSTRATION.

It is requested that all claims in connection with the above be sent forthwith.

S. A. GOLDSTEIN, R. E. HUNT, Joint Hon. Secs.



District Land and Survey Office, Auckland, January 16, 1901.

IT is hereby notified that the undermentioned Township and Rural Lands will be submitted for Sale by public auction at this Office on FRIDAY, the 8th day of March, 1901, at 11 a.m.:

TOWN OF HOKIANGA.

Section 39, 1r 5p, upset price £5 12s 6d; section 40, 1r 3p, upset price £5 7s 6d; section 41, 1r 13p, £6 12s 6d; section 91, 1r 9p, upset price, £6 2s 6d; section 92, 1r 13p, upset price £6 12s 6d.

SUBURBS OF WEYMOUTH.

Sections 13, 14, 15, 16, and 17, 22a 2r 30p, upset price £45 7s 6d; section 33, 13a 3r 36p, £27 19s.

TOWN OF MERCER.

SECTION II.

Section 10, 1r, upset price £5.

SECTION III.

Section 15, 1r, upset price £5; section 16, 24p, upset price £3; section 45, 1r 14p, upset price £6 15s, section 46, 1r., upset price £5.

TOWN OF CAMBRIDGE EAST.

Section 202, 2r, upset price £15; section 202a, 2r, upset price £15; section 203, 2r 34p, upset price £21 7s 6d; section 204, 1a 0r 18p, upset price £23 7s 6d; section 304, 3r 5p, upset price £23 8s 9d; section 248, 2r, upset price £10; section 435, 1a, upset price £20; section 436, 1a, upset price £20; section 437, 1a, upset price £20; section 438, 1a, upset price £20; section 439, 1a, upset price £20; section 440, 1a, upset price £20; section 441, 1a, upset price £20; section 476, 2r, upset price £10; section 476a, 2r, upset price £10; section 491, 1a, upset price £20; section 492, 1a, upset price £20; section 493, 1a, upset price £20; section 494, 1a, upset price £20; section 482, 1r 7p, upset price £5 17s 6d; section 500, 3r 39p, upset price £20; section 518, 2r, upset price £10; section 518a, 2r, upset price £10; section 605a, 1a 1r, upset price £27 10s; section 607, 14p, upset price £2 12s 6d; section 608, 16p, upset price £3; section 609, 17p, upset price £3 3s 9d; section 610, 17p, upset price £3 3s 9d.

TOWN OF CAMBRIDGE WEST.

(Classified as Suburban.)

Sections 10, 10a, 11, 11a, 12, 41, 41a, and 42, 5a, upset price £15; sections 3, 13a, 14, 5, 39, 39a, 4a, upset price, £12; section 17, 1a, upset price £3; section 37, 2r, upset price £1 10s.

PABISH PUPIKE (Hokianga County).

South-west portion section 47, 63a 2r, upset price £131; north-west portion section 48, 95a, upset price £87.

Section portion 47, broken forest land, contains 230,000 superficial feet kauri timber. Section portion 48 contains 120,000 superficial feet kauri. Both lots seven miles from Whangaroa Harbour.

MANGAKAHIA SURVEY DISTRICT.

Block XI.

Section 26, 387a, 2r 30p, upset price £366. Contains 1,000,000 superficial feet kahikatea or white pine; land of fair quality, and fronts Mangakahia River; 25 miles from Whangarei.

TOWNSHIP OF PAHI.

(Classified as Suburban.)

Section 24, 2r 4p, upset price £1 11s 6d; section 51, 1r 34p, upset price £1 7s 6d; section 52, 1r 39p, upset price £1 10s.

SUBURBS OF PAHI.

Section 4, 10a 0r 37p, upset price £30 15s; section 10, 16a, upset price £48; section 11, 20a 0r 31p, upset price £60 11s 3d; section 15, 19a 1r, upset price £57 15s; section 16, 25a 3r, upset price £77 5s; section 17, 5a 3r 16p, upset price £17 11s; section 39, 27a 3r 14p, upset price £53 10s 3d; section 44, 19a 0r 28p, upset price £57 10s 6d.

TOWN OF KIHIKIHI.

(Classified as Suburban.)

Section 25, 1a, upset price £5; section 92, 1a, upset price £5.

WHANGAREI COUNTY, TANGIHUA SURVEY DISTRICT.

Block II., section 41, 1a 2r 38p, upset price £2. About five miles from Maungatapers P.O., fronting road along Ongaua stream.

TOWN OF PIRONGIA EAST (ALEXANDRIA).

Lot 121, 1a, upset price £2; lots 217, 218, 218a, 219, 219a, 220, 220a, 221, 221a, 222 (together), 5a 2r, upset price £11. Classified as suburban lands.

PIRONGIA SURVEY DISTRICT (Kawhia County).

Section 3, Block VIII., 3r, upset price £6. Open level land of good quality, one mile from Pirongia Township.

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AUCKLAND NAVAL ARTILLERY—Monday, 11th, 7.30 p.m.

PONSONBY NAVAL ARTILLERY—Tuesday, 12th, 7.30 p.m.

DEVONPORT COASTGUARD ARTILLERY—Thursday, 21st, 7.30 p.m.

DEVONPORT SUB-MARINE MINERS—Tuesday, 19th, 7.30 p.m.

"A" BATTERY ARTILLERY—Thursday, 14th, 7.30 p.m.

AUCKLAND ENGINEERS—Friday, 8th, 7.30 p.m.

No. 1 WAIKATO MOUNTED RIFLES—Saturday, 23rd, 3 p.m.

No. 2 WAIKATO MOUNTED RIFLES—Friday, 22nd, 2.30 p.m.

No. 3 WAIKATO MOUNTED RIFLES—Thursday, 21st, 3.30 p.m.

AUCKLAND MOUNTED RIFLES—Saturday, 23rd, 3 p.m.

SEDDON HORSE MOUNTED RIFLES—Saturday, 23rd, 3 p.m.

PIAKO MOUNTED RIFLES—Thursday, 28th, 3 p.m.

MARSDEN MOUNTED RIFLES—Friday, 15th, 3 p.m.

FRANKLIN MOUNTED RIFLES—Wednesday, 27th, 2.30 p.m.

PUKEKOHE MOUNTED RIFLES—Saturday, 9th, 3 p.m.

WAIKUKU MOUNTED RIFLES—Saturday, 23rd

OTMATEA MOUNTED RIFLES—Date to be notified

MONGONUI MOUNTED RIFLES—Date to be notified

OPOTIKI MOUNTED RIFLES—Date to be notified

TAURANGA MOUNTED RIFLES—Date to be notified

RAGLAN MOUNTED RIFLES—Date to be notified

HOKIANGA MOUNTED RIFLES—Date to be notified

AUCKLAND INFANTRY BATTALION—Monday, 25th, 7.30 p.m.

AUCKLAND BEARER CORPS—Monday, 25th, 7.30 p.m.

AUCKLAND CYCLIST CORPS—Monday, 25th, 7.30 p.m.

DEUM AND FIFE BAND—Monday, 25th, 7.30 p.m.

GARRISON BAND—Monday, 11th, 7.30 p.m.

No. 1 OHINEMURI RIFLES—Wednesday, 13th, 7.30 p.m.

No. 3 OHINEMURI RIFLES—Saturday, 9th, 7.30 p.m.

WAIHI RIFLES—Saturday, 9th 7.30 p.m.

HAURAKI RIFLES—Tuesday, 12th, 7.30 p.m.

No. 1 THAMES RIFLES—Tuesday, 12th, 7.30 p.m.

COROMANDEL RIFLES—Tuesday, 26th, 7.30 p.m.

ONEHUNGA RIFLES—Tuesday, 19th, 7.30 p.m.

HUNTLY RIFLES—Thursday, 21st, 7.30 p.m.

ROTORUA RIFLES—Thursday, 14th, 7.30 p.m.

KAWAKAWA RIFLES—Date to be notified

WHANGAREI RIFLES—Saturday, 15th, 2.30 p.m.

By order.

JAMES REID, Captain and Adjutant, Auckland District.

Feb 8, Fri—Hawke's Bay J.C. Autumn, Cup, Autumn, Railway, and Burke Memorial Handicaps
Feb 11, Mon—Stratford R.C. St. Patrick's Day Meeting
Feb 12, Tues—Napier Park R.C. Autumn, Cup, Flying, Waverley, and Bennett Memorial Handicaps
Feb 15, Fri—South Auckland R.C. Annual
Feb 23, Sat—Ohinemuri Jockey Club's Annual
Mar 1, Fri—Hawke's Bay J.C. Autumn, General Entries
Mar 5, Tues—Napier Park R.C. Autumn, General Entries
Mar 6, Wed—Stratford R.C. St. Patrick's Day Meeting
Feb 22, Fri—Waikato Jockey Club
Mar 23, Fri—A.R.C. Autumn
Apr 2, Tues—Wellington R.C. Autumn
Apr 1, Mon—Avondale J.C. Autumn
Apr 8, Mon—Avondale J.C. Autumn
June 14, Fri—Wellington R.C. Winter

HANDICAPS.

Feb 9, Sat—Poverty Bay T.C. Annual
Feb 13, Wed—Taranaki J.C. Autumn
Feb 18, Mon—Wanganui J.C. Autumn
Feb 18, Mon—Dunedin J.C. Autumn
Feb 20, Wed—Egmont R.C. Summer Meeting
Feb 21, Thurs—South Auckland R.C. Annual
Feb 25, Mon—Stratford R.C. St. Patrick's Day Meeting
Feb 28, Thurs—Wanganui Cup, Revised Weights
Mar 1, Fri—Waikato Jockey Club
Mar 7, Thurs—Wanganui J.C. Autumn
March 8, Fri—Ohinemuri J.C. Annual
Mar 9, Sat—Hawke's Bay J.C. Autumn
Mar 19, Tues—Napier Park R.C. Autumn
Mar 22, Fri—A.R.C. Autumn
March 22, Fri; April 1, Mon; 8, Mon; 11, Thur—A.R.C. Autumn
Mar 23, Fri—Avondale J.C. Autumn
Apr 1, Mon—A.R.C. Autumn
Apr 8, Mon—A.R.C. Autumn
Apr 11, Thurs—A.R.C. Autumn
Apr 12, Fri—Wellington R.C. Spring
Apr 22, Mon—Avondale J.C. Autumn
Apr 5, Fri—Avondale J.C. Autumn
July 1, Mon—Wellington R.C. Winter

ACCEPTANCES.

Feb 8, Fri—Papakura R.C. Meeting
Feb 11, Mon—Egmont R.C. Summer Meeting
Feb 11, Mon—C.J.C. Summer
Feb 13, Wed—Taranaki J.C. Autumn
Feb 15, Fri—Rotorua Jockey Club's Annual
Feb 16, Sat—Poverty T.C. Annual
Feb 20, Wed—Egmont R.C. Summer Meeting
Feb 22, Fri—Dunedin J.C. Autumn
Feb 25, Mon—Wanganui J.C. Autumn
Mar 1, Fri—Waikato Jockey Club
Mar 1, Fri—South Auckland R.C. Annual
Mar 2, Sat—Wanganui Cup, Final Payment 5 sovs
Mar 6, Wed—Stratford R.C. St. Patrick's Day Meeting
Mar 7, Thurs—Wanganui J.C. Autumn
Mar 13, Wed—Hawke's Bay J.C. Autumn
March 14, Thurs—Ohinemuri J.C. Annual
Mar 22, Fri—Napier Park R.C. Autumn
Mar 22, Fri—A.R.C. Autumn
March 22, Fri; April 3, Wed; 8, Mon; 9, Tues; 11, Thur—A.R.C. Autumn
Apr 3, Wed—A.R.C. Autumn
Apr 8, Mon—A.R.C. Autumn
Apr 9, Tues—A.R.C. Autumn
Apr 11, Thurs—A.R.C. Autumn
Apr 19, Fri—Wellington R.C. Autumn
July 10, Wed—Wellington R.C. Winter

SECOND FORFEIT.

Feb 8, Fri—Champagne Stakes, A.R.C. Autumn
FINAL PAYMENTS.

Feb 9, Sat—Taranaki Cup, 5 sovs; Taranaki J.C. Autumn

Sporting and Dramatic REVIEW

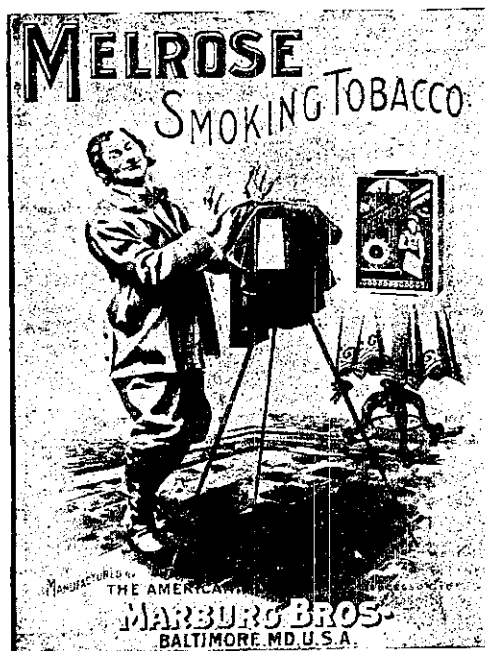
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LICENSED VICTUALLERS' GAZETTE

WITH WHICH IS INCORPORATED THE WEEKLY STANDAR

THURSDAY, JANUARY 31, 1901.

THE REFERRING to the question of the compulsory advertising of racing club programmes in the MONOPOLY. New Zealand Referee, the Hawke's Bay Herald thus delivers itself:—"The tendency nowadays in this Democratic colony is to break down monopolies in every direction, and to enable a larger proportion of the community to share in the benefits arising from industry and enterprise, where only a few enjoyed them before. There is a monopoly in the racing pastime, and it consists of a rule by which every club in the colony is obliged to advertise its programmes in the N.Z. Referee, at Christchurch. This is probably the most arbitrary piece of racing legislation that has ever been imposed upon any people. It has been tolerated for some years, but if the North Island Clubs work together there is no reason why it should be endured very much longer. Taking the Hawke's Bay district for example, we find that small clubs like Porangahau, Rissington, Wairoa, and others have to publish their programmes at Christchurch, in the official calendar, regardless of any benefit they may derive therefrom. It cannot be presumed for a moment that such clubs get any advantage by having to compulsorily spend money in this way, for in every instance the success of their meetings depends on the publicity given to them by the local papers. Hence, why the monopoly is maintained it is hard to explain. What applies with equal force to the Auckland, Taranaki, Poverty Bay, Wanganui, Rangitikei, Wairarapa, Manawatu, and Wellington districts. The Taranaki Jockey Club has, we notice, taken this question in hand. At its last meeting the large cost of advertising the programmes and other notices made compulsory by the Racing Conference was commented upon, it being held that the outlay was quite out of proportion to any benefits that had accrued. A suggestion was made, and favourably received, that an effort should be made at the next meeting of the Conference to take away the monopoly now enjoyed by the Referee, or at any rate to permit Northern clubs to advertise in papers that have a far larger circu-



RACING CALENDAR.

NEW ZEALAND

FIXTURES.

Feb 13, Wed; 14, Thurs—Taranaki J.C. Autumn
Feb 14 and 16, Thurs and Sat—C.J.C. Summer
Feb 18, Sat—Papakura R.C. Meeting
Feb 20, Wed; 21, Thurs—Egmont R.C. Summer Meeting
Feb 21, Thurs; 22, Fri—Poverty Bay Turf Club Annual
Feb 27, Wed; Mar 1, Fri; Mar 2, Sat—Dunedin J.C. Autumn
Feb 27, Mar 1 and 2, Wed, Fri, Sat—Dunedin J.C. Autumn
Feb 27, Wed—Rotorua Jockey Club's Annual
Mar 7, Thurs; 8, Fri—Wanganui J.C. Autumn
Mar 9, Sat—South Auckland R.C. Annual
Mar 16 and 18, Sat and Mon—Hawke's Bay J.C. Autumn
Mar 18, Mon—Stratford R.C. St. Patrick's Day Meeting
Mar 18 and 19, Mon and Tues—Ohinemuri J.C. Annual
Mar 22, Sat—Waikato Jockey Club
Mar 26 and 27, Tues and Wed—Napier Park R.C. Autumn
Apr 8, Mon; 9, Tues; 13, Sat—A.R.C. Autumn
Apr 20, Sat; 24, Wed—Avondale J.C. Autumn
Apr 25, Thurs; 27, Sat—Wellington R.C. Autumn
July 17, Wed; 20, Sat—Wellington R.C. Winter

NOMINATIONS.

Feb 8, Fri; March 29, Fri—A.R.C. Autumn
Feb 8, Fri—A.R.C. Autumn

lation in this island. That an official racing calendar is needed for this colony is generally admitted, but a publication on the lines of those issued in the sister colonies would probably be quite as satisfactory and much less costly to individual clubs. There no monopoly is given to a newspaper, nor is a hardship imposed upon small clubs by an arbitrary regulation. In taking the initiative in the matter the Taranaki Jockey Club is serving a good purpose, and it has the sympathy and support of many of the smaller racing clubs which at the present time are suffering maintenance of the monopoly. That all the racing clubs of the North Island should have to heavily subsidise a paper published in the South Island is a great injustice, especially seeing that in the majority of instances the clubs depend for publicity of their meetings on the local journals, and thus an unnecessary outlay is involved in the subsidy. It is time that the North Island clubs made their voices heard on this question.

BREEDING THE TROTTER.

To the holiday number of the "Breeder and Sportsman" Mr E. J. Gilbert contributes an article on "Environment—the Basis of Evolution and Perfection in Breeding the Trotter," from which we make the following extracts:—"The study of breeding any special species of animals, if done studiously, will bring us in touch with the most subtle of nature's laws. Those who breed to satisfy some fancy representing the largest comb on the cock, or the longest feathers on his legs, or any feature, not in, and of itself, a valuable factor in the usefulness of the breed, can only expect the minimum degree of the manifestations of natural laws. This statement is not intended as a personal reflection on any class of breeders, but is based on the very nature of the work undertaken. The trotting horse of to-day is rounded into a reasonably perfect form of development. The nervous energy, the will to do or die, the staying power to repeat heat after heat, within one or two seconds, is no longer the gift of one or two celebrities, as in the days of old, when Lady Suffolk's 2.29½ could not be beaten, and again when Flora Temple's 2.19½ was thought by many the climax; again, Dexter 2.17½, was called the incomparable, so great his renown that his name was a household word, appearing on our food and drink; so confident was Mr Bonner of 2.17 being the limit of trotting speed that he had a standing offer of \$100,000 for any trotter that should beat it. Again, Goldsmith Maid, another and greater than them all, reduced the record to 2.14. Then came Rarus with 2.13½, each and every one of these animals selling for large sums of money. From Rarus to the present day, extreme speed has come so often, that its value, by reason of its increased production, has greatly decreased. Surely the exploits of the American trotting horse is ever rising into a fuller and more glorious future. We hear of scientific man's victory over nature; this statement is full of error and profoundly false. Man has no victory over nature; man is really to be congratulated when he can sit at nature's feet, and by the greatest effort on his part, grasp any of the profound manifestations of nature. Hence, man, to succeed in the subjugation of nature, must first subjugate himself to her laws, and the man who by nature can adapt himself to nature's laws, will be found in the front rank of what we term intelligence and progression. The great strides made in developing the trotter from three minutes to the very threshold of two minutes, has in a large degree resulted from natural selection, by which types have been slowly changed by environment, which slowly caused the modification in type, while heredity, from sexual selection, gives to the animal fixity of character, form and purpose. Can any student of evolution who has witnessed the great trotting horses from Lady Suffolk 2.29½ to The Abbot 2.03½, ascribe any particular and all propert reason for the great difference in their speed? Environment comes the nearest to covering the answer of any term known to the writer. Environment produces evolution. Evolution is not a synonym of perfection in nature, it is a change wrought by environment. Should environment be in combat with the laws of nature, then evolution will be slow in causing modification of type, with the chances greatly tending toward unsoundness. On the other hand, when environment is in harmony with nature, sexual selection, which is a synonymous term for heredity, slowly but surely fixes a type and character in our trotters both stable and desirable. The sickle was as suitable to the environment of man, when it was used, as the twine binder of to-day. No doubt the stage coach of former years suited the environment of the users of it as well as the palace coach of to-day. The spinning wheel of sixty years ago was as perfectly adapted to its environment as the great looms and complicated mills of this day to

our needs. No doubt that individuals and machinery were equally perfect in their adaption to their environment. Evolution being the offspring of environment, and man's greatest ambition being progression and improvement in the trotting horse, we find its environment bettered. Evolution, rapidly changing the wide sprawling gait of the early day trotters to the close-in gaited Electioneers of the present day. The writer avers without fear of successful contradiction, that in no class of animal production has there been so great an advance in strength, beauty, uniformity, and speed as has come to the American trotting horse since 1880. This is true beyond a doubt; it is also a great compliment to the genius of American manhood. It proves that the breeders of trotters from the first started out on that broad, fundamental ground that all the weak points in the mechanism of this flying machine must first be eliminated. The soundness, both physical and mental, of sire and dam scrutinised by every breeder of any repute. Stallions were not bought or patronised whose dam had any weakness of any character. The breeders laid down the rule that it takes two good ones to make one at the best and then many blanks appear. But soundness alone does not complete and will never produce a trotter. A still mightier factor, that of brain or mental heredity, is necessary, and to secure the great flights of speed now possessed by The Abbot, Alix, Cresceus, Charley Herr, and others, it has been necessary to bring it about by evolution.

Sporting Topics.

[By] PETRONEL.

Waikuku is on his way back to New Zealand.

Taranaki Jockey Club's Autumn Meeting next Wednesday and Thursday.

Hawkes' Bay Cup nominations are due to-morrow—Friday.

The final payment of 5 sovs for the Taranaki Cup falls due on Saturday next, February 9.

The handicaps for the events to be decided on the first day of the Poverty Bay Turf Club's Annual Meeting should be declared on Saturday next, February 9.

The committee of the Auckland Racing Club on Monday issued jockey licenses to the following applicants:—W. Bradshaw, A. Coesel, C. Crocker, S. Dufty, A. Edwards, W. Jones, R. McKenzie, H. Nodder, G. Penny, and J. Penny.

The handicaps for the Waitakauri Racing Club's Meeting, to be held on Saturday, February 16, appear in this issue. Acceptances are due with the secretary, Mr W. S. Morrin, to-morrow (Friday) February 8.

Acceptances for all events to be run at the Papakura Racing Club's Meeting are due with secretary, Mr E. S. Cole, to-morrow (Friday) February 8. Acceptances will be received either at the Metropolitan Hotel, Auckland, or at the Papakura Hotel.

Nominations for the Easter Handicap, First Handicap Hurdles, Autumn Handicap, and St George's Handicap, to be run at the Autumn Meeting of the Auckland Racing Club, are due with Mr Percival on Friday, February 8 (to-morrow). The entry fee for each race is one sovereign.

Mr J. H. Clayton, the secretary of the Stratford Racing Club, will receive nominations for the races to be run at the Hack Meeting on March 18 on Monday next, February 11. The races requiring the attention of owners and trainers are the Stratford Cup, Handicap Hurdle Race, Welter, St Patrick's, and Flying Handicaps. The handicaps will be declared on or about Monday, February 25.

The committee of the Auckland Racing Club met on Monday and considered the programmes of various clubs. The programmes from the following clubs were submitted and approved of: Thames Jockey Club, March 4; Opoiki Racing Club, March 7; East Tamaki Racing Club, March 9; Northern Wairoa Racing Club, March 16; Wakatane Racing Club, March 18.

Cavaliere's name has been whispered about during the last week as one likely to make a bold show in the Takapuna Cup. The Ouirassier gelding ought to be able to make a bid for the honours, for he is well and is well-treated in the matter of weight. Given good going I do not think he will knock Bluejacket out at the end of the mile and a-half.

Sir J. Blundell Maple, the well-known owner and breeder, sends a lot of brood mares to Paris for sale every year, and he has found the enterprise a profitable one. Last month he sent over sixteen lots, and they averaged 570 guineas. Sir Blundell has found it more remunerative to breed and cater for the French than the English market. A majority of the lots were young mares covered for the first time by fashionable stallions.

Some time ago, while being schooled over hurdles at Wanganui, Taplow got staked inside the quarter, and has never got over the injuries resulting therefrom. He was again examined by a surgeon last week, and an operation under chloroform was suggested to remove a piece of wood still embedded in the flesh. It is probable that the operation will be carried out says an exchange. Taplow has been accepted for at Taranaki so he cannot be so very bad.

Final payments for the O.J.C. Middle Park Plate and Champion Plate are due with the secretary on Monday next, February 11.

Monday next, February 11, is general entry day for the Canterbury Jockey Club's Mid-summer Meeting.

The catering at the Takapuna Jockey Club's Summer Meeting will be in the experienced hands of Mr A. F. Stillwell.

The cable brings word that Advance has been backed to win £10,000 in the Newmarket Handicap. The Vanguard colt is now a firm first favourite at 100 to 6.

The Auckland Anniversary Regatta will take place on Saturday, March 9th. Entries close with the secretary, Mr E. B. Alexander, on Wednesday, March 6th.

The honorary secretaries of the Imperial Troops Reception Committee ask citizens—in the event of the authorities deciding on billeting the troops—who are willing to entertain them to send in their names and addresses to the Committee at once.

Entries for the South Auckland Racing Club's Annual Meeting, fixed for Saturday March 9, must be made on Friday in next week, February 15. Nominations can be left with either the secretary, Mr A. J. Storey, Hamilton, or Mr H. Massey, High-street, Auckland.

St Leger had a good innings through his progeny at the Wellington Summer Meeting. Melwood scored twice for the veteran stallion, while Cruciform, Okoari, and Hartmoor each notched a win which adds to the Doncaster horse's already good total for the part of the season concluded. I expect to see more victories to the credit of St Leger before the Takapuna and Taranaki meetings are concluded.

An English exchange says of Sir Edgar Vincent the owner of Screw Gun, "Sir Edgar has already spent enough money on the turf and in buying horses to deserve a turn of fortune, but up to the present the fates have been against him—more especially when Multiform turned roarer; Stoccardo, who on his first running here seemed full of promise, but went mysteriously lame; and his two-year-old colt, Council of Trent, of whom great things were expected, had to be fired and put away for next season."

"Pilot," in the Sydney "Referee," says:—"St Innis, I take it, is now nearly as good as at any time during her New Zealand Turf career. Her condition is very different to when she first raced here, and whereas she used to die away after going three furlongs, she now runs her races right out. In the Fourteen-three Handicap at Kensington on Saturday Indabba was fairly close to her at the turn, but she ran away from him in the straight, and won very easily from Cora II., whose rider might have distributed his energy more evenly. He displayed a lot over the last furlong, but comparatively little prior to that. However, he explained matters to the satisfaction of the stewards. Indabba could have got third place, but was eased up when his rider saw there was no chance of winning."

Some most glaring cases of turf malpractice have taken place in this colony during the last twelve months, and have been allowed to go unpunished, says a Brisbane writer. In a few cases where punishment has been dealt out generally the "boy on top" has suffered, and the prime movers in the business have gone unpunished. It is common rumour about Brisbane that an individual has the controlling, through ownership and other means, of horses in several stables, and is thus able to forecast with almost absolute certainty the winners of many of our races, but with marvellous acumen is able to stand from under when any trouble arises. If true, the authorities in power should leave no stone unturned to alter this state of affairs, otherwise the turf here will suffer considerably.

A curious story is related about the Chesterfield Cup, won by Pumicestone, which suggests that men with such evenly-balanced minds as the late Lord Wilton, are not beyond the reach of superstition. The colt had previously run as by Cotherstone, out of Duchess of Lorraine, and Lord Wilton had not troubled himself about giving him a name. Shortly before the race, however, he received a letter from Lord Chesterfield, enclosing him one which he himself had got from a gentleman, stating that he had dreamed most distinctly that a horse named Pumicestone had won the Chesterfield Cup at Goodwood, and as he could not see one of that name in the entry, he concluded that it must be Lord Wilton's animal, that had not been named. The colt being got by Cotherstone, his lordship did not consider Pumicestone altogether inappropriate, and willing to humour the dreamer's fancy, adopted the name, and saw the vision realised, for, without being quoted in the market, his colt beat Vanderdecken and a large field very cleverly.

One of the little slips to which the bookbinder is liable, brought about a family complication, which has made a young man (says the "Literary World") very sorry for himself. Reading a sporting novel, "The Monk Wins" (Duckworth and Co.), a stirring tale of turf intrigues, bookmakers, American jockeys, and an heiress who owned a Derby favourite, he bought a clean, new copy, and sent it to an elderly and rich uncle, whose health compels him to live in the south of France and renounce the delights of Newmarket and Goodwood. Presently the volume came back, with a curt note intimating that the uncle had no intention of dying just yet, and, anyhow, was not looking for religious instruction from his nephew. The cover of the novel, adorned with horse-shoe and whip, proved to enclose "Thirty Plain Sermons," including "The Passing World" and "In Earthen Vessels," by the Rev. B. J. O. Murphy. The binders had put in Messrs Duckworth's covers the wrong publication.

As Mr H. Hayr withdrew from his purchase of the gates at the approaching meeting of the Takapuna Jockey Club the Committee has decided to offer the gates at auction again. Messrs John Churton and Co. will therefore submit the right for sale at twelve o'clock to-day, Thursday.

The Takapuna Jockey Club will issue a general invitation to the Imperial Troops to be present at the races on the day they are in Auckland, and the same hospitality has been extended to the returned members of the New Zealand contingents.

Mutamataharakiki has been progressing very well in her recent work, and I believe she will be the selected of the stable for the Takapuna Cup. She has a very light weight to carry, and if she can stay out the full mile and a-half she will make a very good race.

The holiday number of the San Francisco "Breeder and Sportsman" is a capital production. It contains some excellent reading matter, many fine portraits of leading trotting horses, pictures of prize-winning dogs, and other admirable illustrations of various kinds of sport.

Mr Tom Whewell, the secretary of the Ohinemuri Jockey Club, informs me that Mr George Cutts cannot accept the position of pony measurer the O.J.C. Mr Cutts already has his hands full, and as he cannot see his way to the work the O.J.C. stewards will measure the ponies themselves.

Daytree has been showing better gallops during the past week. He is one of the horses who has benefitted by the postponement of the Takapuna Meeting. Had the race for the Cup been run last week he would not have had a hope, now his prospects bear a much more promising appearance.

It is stated that Sir Rupert Clarke is dissatisfied with the weights allotted to his horses by Mr Dakin, and that a petition is to be got up asking Victorian owners not to run their horses. The matter can only be idle rumour, for such a course, if adopted, would only tell against the owners themselves.

The frequent and heavy rains of the past few days have not been too much for the training tracks, and many horses have been putting in some solid work. Should there be more rain between now and the time fixed for the opening day of the Takapuna Meeting the Cup race may be won by a light-weight.

Tarragon continues to make steady improvement at Ellerslie, and his admirers for the Takapuna Steeplechase are rapidly increasing. Tim also is going well. Nor-west and Straybird still remain at the head of the quotations recorded on the Steeplechase, and are the favourite selections in double betting with Formula and Bluejacket.

At the monthly meeting of the committee of the D.J.C. (the Hon. G. McLean presiding held on Wednesday in last week) the action of the Waikouaiti Club in suspending the jockey Lindsay for twelve months was endorsed. The donation of the handsome Union Jack by Messrs Speight and Co was acknowledged with thanks. Leave of absence was granted to Mr James Mills during his absence from the colony.

The long postponement of the Takapuna Jockey Club has been the source of much inconvenience to the owners of at least the visiting horses with prospective engagements elsewhere. Tommy Atkins is a case in point. Mr Major's gelding has two engagements on Wednesday at the Taranaki fixtures, and is entered for some of the races to be decided on the second day. He must be withdrawn from some of the Takapuna events if he is to race at New Plymouth. If the Takapuna Jockey Club had held their meeting during this present week the visiting horses would have been enabled to fulfill all their engagements here and get to New Plymouth in good time for the racing there.

I again remind owners and trainers that nominations for all the events to be decided at the Otahuhu Trotting Club's Summer Meeting close to-morrow, Friday, February 8. The programme contains many valuable stakes, the principal trotting race being the Otahuhu Cup, value 100 sovs. There are several trotting events with stakes of 60 and 50 sovs, while the galloping ponies have been well provided for. Entries will be received by the Secretary, Mr W. L. Lockhart, at Otahuhu, or at the Metropolitan Hotel, Auckland, up till nine o'clock on Friday evening.

Mr Evett and Mr Henrys differ considerably in their estimates of horses engaged at the Taranaki and Egmont fixtures. Taking the three accepting topweights in the Taranaki Cup, who are also in the Egmont Cup, I find Coronet 9st, Battleaxe 7st 10lb, and Materoa 7st 8lb. In the Egmont Cup, run over the same distance (one mile and a-half), Mr Henrys makes Coronet head the list with 9st 4lb, Materoa has 8st 5lb, and Battleaxe 8st 4lb. The Hurdle Race at New Plymouth is run over two miles, and the weights of the acceptors are:—Troubadour 11st 9lb, Kaimate, 10st 9lb, Whetu 10st 8lb, Waiwera 10st 5lb, Scallywag 10st 4lb, Vanquish 10st 2lb, Tui 10st, Gowrie 9st 10lb, Waylay 9st 7lb. In the Egmont race run over a mile and three-quarters, Sabreur is topweight with 11st 9lb, then comes Waiwera 11st 3lb, Troubadour 10st 13lb, Tim 10st 13lb, Whetu 10st 11lb, Kaimate 10st 5lb, Vanquish 10st 5lb, Scallywag 9st 13lb, Tui 9st 8lb, Waylay 9st 8lb, and Gowrie 9st 4lb. Considering that Troubadour's favourite distance is a mile and three-quarters he must be considered remarkably well in for the race at the Egmont meeting, with only 10st 13lb to carry. In the six-furlong race at New Plymouth the acceptors are, Okoari 8st 5lb, Eton 8st 5lb, Scout 7st 9lb, Tommy Atkins 7st 5lb, and Full Cry 6st 10lb; in the Egmont Flying Handicap, run over the same distance, the weights of the above horses are, Okoari 9st 3lb, Eton 8st, Full Cry 7st 13lb, Tommy Atkins 7st 12lb, and Scout 7st 8lb.

I am sorry to report that Mr J. J. Russell is still confined to his room through illness.

The name of Taranaki has been bestowed on Mr S. McGuinness' Howitzer gelding, the name Francotte having been disallowed.

It is reported from Melbourne that Bobadil has again gone wrong. He has been withdrawn from the Newmarket Handicap, Oakleigh Purse and Oakleigh Plate.

The Egmont Racing Club notifies in this issue that bookmakers, their clerks or agents, will not be admitted to the grounds of the Egmont Racing Club on Wednesday and Thursday, February 20 and 21.

Boreas was left out of the Century Stakes to be run at the Autumn Meeting of the A.R.C. by mistake. Advance will probably be in Australia, but in the Sou'-wester gelding the Porirua stable will have a doughty representative.

Maltster has been backed to win about £5,000 in the Newmarket Handicap. It is not known whether the support came from the stable. The dual Derby winner has also been backed with freedom for the Australian Cup.

Formula has not been pleasing in her work lately. Probably the filly is feeling the effects of the continual strain. The long postponement of the Takapuna Meeting must have its effect upon those horses who were being wound up for the 29th ult.

Mr J. A. Drake, the American owner, who is said to have made a million dollars out of his racing ventures in England, says "English horses race in plates that weigh 2lbs apiece. My man, Wishard, puts on aluminium plates, and my horses, not being encumbered, run more easily and win."

The stewards of the English Jockey Club, having examined certain other starting machines that have been submitted to them, have approved the Barrasford Starting-gate Machine. Hitherto Gray's Australian starting apparatus has been used in England.

At last the Takapuna Jockey Club has decided upon the dates for the Summer Meeting. The first day's racing will take place on Saturday next, the second on the day declared to be the public holiday in honour of the Anniversary of Auckland, and the last day is fixed for Saturday week, February 16. I suppose the Papukura Racing Club will now postpone the meeting which was fixed for the latter day.

The acceptances for the C.J.C. Midsummer Handicap are poor indeed. Only five horses are left in the big handicap of the Summer Meeting. Paladin 9st 3lb is left, while Strathnairn has gone out, Cameo 8st 11lb, Skobelev 8st 4lb, Huku 7st 11lb, and Scottish Minstrel 6st 12lb are the other contents. The topweight and Skobelev will probably fight out the issue, though if Scottish Minstrel is ever to justify the admiration of his party he has, with 6st 12lb, a big opportunity to so distinguish himself. I fancy that the weight may tell with Cameo, and I also believe that Paladin is quite able to give him 6lbs over a mile and a-half. Gossip from Wellington seems to infer that Cameo and Mr Victor Harris' horses ran for each other at the tuff, but I expect both Paladin and Cameo will go for all they are worth in the Midsummer Handicap.

During the course of a hurdle race at Tamberumba last week (says the Sydney "Mail") some well-intentioned people re-erected some hurdles that had been knocked down by the competitors, and when the field came round the second time the obstacles had to be negotiated in their original state. At the conclusion of the race a protest was lodged on the ground that no one had a right to interfere with or re-erect the fallen hurdles. The matter has been sent on to the A.J.C., and though that club has no rule directly bearing on the point, the secretary, Mr Oliborn, finds that according to the Grand National rules in England hurdles or fences must be left untouched and unrepaired during the course of a race. Precedent here supports the protest, for on one occasion at Randwick the late James Ashworth re-erected some hurdles, and was reprimanded by the A.J.C. towards for doing so. Mr Oliborn considers it one of the unwritten laws of racing that hurdles or fences should not be interfered with from the time a race is started until it is finished.



ROTORUA JOCKEY CLUB. ANNUAL RACE MEETING, FEBRUARY 27, 1901.

- NOMINATIONS for the following events close on Saturday, February 2, at 10 p.m.:— HANDICAP HURDLES, of 25 sovs. One mile and a-half. Nomination, 12s 6d; acceptance, 12s 6d. MAIDEN HANDICAP, of 15 sovs. One mile. Nomination, 7s 6d; acceptance, 7s 6d. PONY HANDICAP, of 12 sovs. Six furlongs. Nomination, 6s; acceptance, 6s. ROTORUA CUP, of 40 sovs. One mile and a-quarter. Nomination, 20s; acceptance, 20s. ELECTRIC HANDICAP, of 20 sovs. Six furlongs. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 10s. HACK HURDLES, of 12 sovs. One mile and a-half. Nomination, 6s; acceptance, 6s.

Handicaps about February 6. Acceptances February 15 at 10 p.m. Nominations must be accompanied by the necessary cash. For further particulars see posters. O. E. CLARKE, JUNR., Hon. Sec.

Anticipations.

THE TAKAPUNA J.C. SUMMER MEETING.

[BY PETRONEL].

The opening day of the above gathering is now definitely fixed for Saturday next, February 9, when, given fine weather, there should be a large attendance of the public. Everything is ready for the people, who will find that their comfort has been well looked after. The course and surroundings are looking very fresh and green, and the going should be in first-class order if no more rain falls between now and Saturday. The postponement from January 29 may have affected the chances of some of the horses engaged, and it may have been of value to others. I do not suppose, however, that the delay will have made a very big difference in the form. The second day's racing is not yet fixed beyond this, it will take place on the day declared to be a public holiday, and the meeting will be concluded on Saturday, February 16. The T.J.C. expressed the intention of inviting the Imperial troops to witness the racing, but on Wednesday the Reception Committee conferred with the committee of the Auckland Racing Club, and the latter body agreed to let the committee have the use of the Ellerslie Course and Stands, so that there will be a sort of military fair, to which the public are to be admitted on payment of one shilling. Seeing that the Anniversary Day has always been one of the Takapuna Jockey Club's racing days this arrangement seems rather strange. However, the soldiers may prefer play to work, so those who go to Takapuna may not be denied the pleasure of having a look at them. I do not know that I can make any alterations in my selections for the various races. I still prefer Bluejacket for the big race. He has been moving and doing well since last writing, and providing the course is not heavy I think he will win. I shall select as place-getters on the various races the following:—

Table with 2 columns: Race Name, Odds. Takapuna Cup. BLUEJACKET ... 1, DAYNTREE ... 2, ST URSULA ... 3.

Table with 2 columns: Race Name, Odds. Maiden Plate. THE FRENCHMAN ... 1, DONNYBROOK ... 2, BALBIERNIE ... 3.

Table with 2 columns: Race Name, Odds. Calliope Handicap. CRESSY ... 1, HIKIPENE ... 2, DESPATCH ... 3.

Table with 2 columns: Race Name, Odds. Hurdle Handicap. TIM ... 1, NOR'-WEST ... 2, VOLTRIGER II ... 3.

Table with 2 columns: Race Name, Odds. Zealandia Handicap. ST OLGA ... 1, LADY AVON ... 2, TOMMY ATKINS ... 3.

Table with 2 columns: Race Name, Odds. Hack Handicap. THE WASTER ... 1, BALBIERNIE ... 2, BACCHUS ... 3.

Table with 2 columns: Race Name, Odds. Pony Handicap. FIRST WHISPER ... 1, CUISINE ... 2, IVAN ... 3.

Table with 2 columns: Race Name, Odds. Stewards' Handicap. ROSELLA ... 1, WINSOME ... 2, VAL ROSA ... 3.

TARANAKI J.C. AUTUMN MEETING.

[BY PETRONEL].

Next Wednesday this popular meeting commences, and if the promise of success is borne out then the executive members will be heartily congratulated. The handicaps of Mr Evett and Mr Parry have brought forth good acceptances on the whole, though the Flying Handicap has only six contestants out of the twelve nominated. Cora Linn's absence is probably due to the fact that she is now the property of Mr Victor Harris, and I shall expect to see her name in the entry lists for the C.J.C. Midsummer Meeting. The owner of Strathnairn, Paladin and Co. is a very shrewd gentleman, and he will most likely win a race with the Foulshot mare at the next gathering at Riccarton. For the big race on the opening day of the Taranaki Meeting the acceptors number seven. Coronet has kept his place, and as he is very well I believe he will run a good race. Tortulla may have improved since the racing at Wellington, and if she has I think she will go very near winning. Last season she ran better than she has done so far this term, but the Porirua trainer has such sterling trying tackle that I do not think the Torpedo mare would be left in unless she had a big chance of scooping in the 300 sovs going to

the first-place-getter in the Taranaki Cup. Battleaxe is given a good chance—perhaps the chance of his lifetime—with 7st 10lb. Still he is not the horse he used to be, or rather he has not for a long time run up to the form he used to show. He has not won a race since he was disqualified at Wanganui. Mr Watson had a turn of luck at the Wellington fixture, and as it never rains but it pours—especially has this old adage been proved in Auckland lately—he may score a well-deserved win with Battleaxe on Wednesday. Materoa, 7st 8lb, is nicely weighted, and on her Wellington running should have something to say at the finish of the race. This pretty little mare has run very well on several occasions, and I am rather in favour of the idea that she is better now than she was at the Hutt. Will-o'-the-Wisp has been in the dark for some little time, and though he is so well treated that he may effect a surprise, I should like to see him put in a performance before taking him on my side. I think that Legion of Honour and Brown Bill will be probably outclassed, and I shall give the places to—

Table with 2 columns: Race Name, Odds. TORTULLA ... 1, CORONET ... 2, MATEROA ... 3.

For the other races my selections are as follows:—

Stewards' Handicap.

Table with 2 columns: Race Name, Odds. OKOARI ... 1, TOMMY ATKINS ... 2, FULL CRY ... 3.

Henui Hack Handicap.

Table with 2 columns: Race Name, Odds. TUPARA ... 1, LIABLE ... 2, TUKAPA ... 3.

First Hurdles.

Table with 2 columns: Race Name, Odds. WAIWERA ... 1, TROUBADOUR ... 2, WHEU ... 3.

First Hack Hurdles.

Table with 2 columns: Race Name, Odds. PUANGA ... 1, HAUTONGA ... 2, MAMAKU ... 3.

First Hack Handicap.

Table with 2 columns: Race Name, Odds. DARTMOOR ... 1, BOWMAN ... 2, WATERFORD ... 3.

Flying Handicap.

Table with 2 columns: Race Name, Odds. FULL CRY ... 1, TOMMY ATKINS ... 2, OKOARI ... 3.

[BY OUR TARANAKI CORRESPONDENT].

Good average acceptances have been received for the Taranaki Cup Meeting next week. Seven remain in the Cup, with final payment due next Saturday night. The various events may result as follows:—

Stewards' Handicap.

Table with 2 columns: Race Name, Odds. OKOARI OR SCOUT. SULTANA ... 1, COMA ... 2, ST ADA ... 3.

Henui Hack Handicap.

Table with 2 columns: Race Name, Odds. WAIWERA ... 1, WHEU ... 2, GOWEIE ... 3.

Open Hurdles.

Table with 2 columns: Race Name, Odds. WAIWERA ... 1, WHEU ... 2, GOWEIE ... 3.

Hack Hurdles.

Table with 2 columns: Race Name, Odds. MAMAKU ... 1, AVANTE GABDE ... 2, HAUTONGA ... 3.

Taranaki Cup.

Table with 2 columns: Race Name, Odds. MATEROA ... 1, TORTULLA ... 2, CORONET ... 3.

Mill Hack.

Table with 2 columns: Race Name, Odds. TUKAPA ... 1, WATERFORD ... 2, BOWMAN ... 3.

Flying Handicap.

Table with 2 columns: Race Name, Odds. FULL CRY OR SCOUT. SULTANA ... 1, COMA ... 2, ST ADA ... 3.

THE CHRISTCHURCH J.C. SUMMER MEETING.

[BY PETRONEL].

This fixture takes place on Thursday and Saturday in next week. For the big race on the first day—the Midsummer Handicap—there is a poor acceptance, only five horses remaining in. The acceptances for the five other handicap events are not due till later on. My choice in the various events rests with the following:—

Midsummer Handicap.

Table with 2 columns: Race Name, Odds. PALADIN OR SKOBELEFF. HALSWELL HURDLES. ILEX OR DEERY. HORNBY WELTER.

Table with 2 columns: Race Name, Odds. FASHION ... 1, ISMERE ... 2, CADET ... 3. Middle Park Plate. STEAD'S ELECT ... 1. Lyttelton Plate. STEAD'S ELECT ... 1, CALIBRE ... 2, BATTLE ... 3. Craven Plate. BLAZER ... 1, FORMOSAN ... 2, HERMOSA ... 3.

Inter-Provincial.

[BY OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS.]

HAWKE'S BAY.

IMPROVEMENTS TO THE NAPIER PARK COURSE—IDALIA—CROWN PRINCE—MR R. PATERSON'S CASE—HAWKES' BAY J.C. BUSINESS.

February 5.

The Napier Park Racing Club have accepted tenders for the alteration to the weighing room, and the erection of a new stewards and Press stand, also secretary's office.

Mr T. H. Lowry of Okawa is having a couple of rising two-year-old fillies broken in. One of them, by Sou'-wester—Bijou, was bred by him, the other is by Stepniak from Madder, and was recently acquired at Mr J. F. Reid's sale of yearlings. Arthur Goodwin is supervising the youngsters' education.

Old Idalia, she was in her thirty-first year, passed away the other day at her owners, the Hon J. Ormond's, headquarters at Karamu. During her location there, a period of about ten years she only produced two foals, Mount Ida by Apremont, and Sir Launcelot by Dreadnought. The latter was one of the best, and Mount Ida gave to the Turf that genuine edition of horse flesh Ideal.

Trooper R. McCullough, the owner of Black berry, is weathering the contest all right in the Transvaal, as recent letters received from him contain the welcome intelligence that he was never better in health and spirits.

Though Crown Prince was taken to Pahiatua to run in the Cup there, it was deemed advisable, owing to the state of the track, to scratch him for his engagement. He was the only horse enquired for locally for the event, and the determined manner in which he was backed gave colour to the idea that it was all over in his favor bar shouting.

The Hawke's Bay Jockey Club will remove the disqualification from R. Paterson on the 9th of April.

Messrs Stearn and Kennedy appealed to the Hawke's Bay Jockey Club from the decision of the Woodville District Jockey Club in paying the stakes in the Hack Scurry to Robin Gray, contending that the rider of that horse could not draw the weight when he weighed in. The Woodville Club wrote forwarding the evidence taken in the matter, and on that evidence it was resolved that the decision of the Woodville stewards be upheld.

The following business came before the Hawke's Bay Jockey Club last Friday:—H. Fairbrother wrote asking the Committee to investigate certain charges made by Mr Caulton concerning his riding of the gelding Warwick at the last meeting of the Club. Resolved that the secretary interview Mr Caulton, and if he wished to lodge any complaint it will be investigated at the next monthly meeting. The Wanganui Jockey Club wrote forwarding a letter addressed to that body by T. Quinlivan, senr., and asking if the Hawke's Bay Jockey Club committee had anything further to add to their letter of December 12 last. It was resolved that this committee has nothing to add to the letter of December 12, except they consider the forfeits due for The Frenchman now on the unpaid forfeit list should be paid before the question of granting a trainer's license to Quinlivan is considered. The following new members were elected:—Dr Cleghorn and Messrs H. A. Bonner, T. Bennett, D. C. Campbell, C. Canning, G. Ebbett, J. Hart, M. Herrold, E. D. Holt, A. Johnstone, D. T. Murfitt, Mini Taretahi, P. Sainsbury, H. G. Smith, and E. White. It was resolved that the stakes be paid over to Mr E. W. Patterson in accordance with the decision of the Appeal Court, and that the owners to whom these stakes had been paid be requested to refund the same.

It is with pleasure that I have to place on record that the Summer Meeting of the Hawke's Bay Jockey Club resulted in a profit of £353.

Mr W. Beilby, who has for a number of years so ably occupied the position of clerk of the

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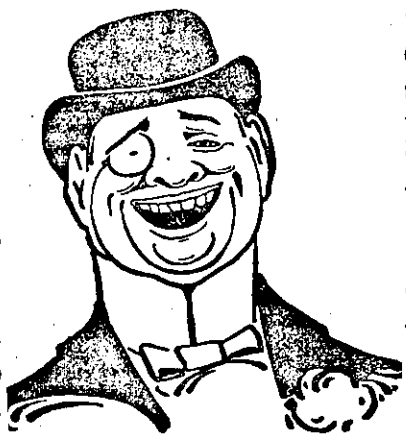
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CANTERBURY.

THE AMURI MEETING—LOCAL NEWS—HEWITT—BLAZER—SKOBELOFF & HUKU—BENZON.

CHRISTCHURCH, January 30.

Skirmisher, Haria, and Speculator, three old 'uns, are located on the West Coast, and will be kept there for the Autumn Meetings. It is a long time since any one of the trio won a good stake. Skirmisher and Speculator have probably done as much racing as any horses now running.

The scratching of Dundas for the Midsummer Handicap does not imply that anything is wrong with the son of Perkin Warbeck II. He is in constant work, and will most likely be asked to win the Craven Plate.

A Christchurch backer had £45 on Full Cry when the Reynard gelding won the Federal Handicap at Wellington, £50 on Renown in the Wellington Cup, and £25 on Menschikoff each time he started. Altogether this lucky speculator netted £400 over the Wellington Meeting.

Hermosa started in three races at Wellington, but the nearest she could get to the winner was in the Federal Handicap. In this race St Leger's daughter appears to have run well, but Full Cry beat her at the finish.

Very little interest seems to be taken in the North Canterbury Jockey Club, and unless members attend the next meeting the Club will be wound up and the lease of the racecourse will not be renewed.

W. Rae's trotting stock was sold by auction on Monday last. Sam Slick, by Boston, was sold to Mrs T. Yarr for £80. A filly by Albert Victor fetched £18, a colt by Rothschild £15, and a colt by General Tracy £15.

Formosan, Skobelev, Menschikoff, and Cruciform returned to Yaldhurst on Monday. Menschikoff and Cruciform were the only members of the team that won a race. Formosan only went out once, when he was left at the post Skobelev again performed badly.

Paladin, Cadet, Cameo, Windwhistle, Strathnairn, Scottish Minstrel, Hypnotist, Hermosa, and Spider returned from Wellington on Monday. His batch has engagements at the Midsummer Meeting. The first named from each won a race at Wellington.

Female Franchise was weighted at 13st 3lb in the Amuri Cup. The Ahua mare was set to concede no less than 4st to some of those engaged.

February 1.

The Amuri Turf Club held its race meeting on Thursday last. There was a fair attendance, which would have been much larger had the weather been fine. The principal race, One Mile, was won by Bill Malone, 9st 4lb, by Master George; Female Franchise, 13st 3lb, being second, and Golden Wake, 9st 2lb, third. Camel, 12st 10lb, Jibboom, 13st, Greenward, 10st 8lb, were among the starters. The Flying Handicap was won by Little Bobs, 9st 7lb; Tremor, 10st 2lb, running second; Camel, 13st, third.

The acceptances for the Midsummer Handicap are very poor, only five paying up. This is

a small field for the £250 stake. Entries for other events at the Summer Meeting are better than usual, but the two hurdle races have only attracted five nominations. Cora Linn, Fashion, Westguard and Lady Agnes are the only North Islanders entered.

Cannie Chiel has been nominated for the principal handicaps at Wanganui, and from this it may be gathered that the son of Clanranald is in racing trim again. He has also been entered for the Great Easter and Autumn Handicaps here.

Dundas and Benzoine were omitted from the Great Easter Handicap, and Dundas from the Great Autumn.

Mr Victor Harris wanted to buy Full Cry prior to the Rangitikei Meeting, but the owners put too big a price on the Reynard gelding.

L. Hewitt, the light-weight jockey, intends going to England. He has had a very successful season.

Norine, who won the hack selling race at Wellington, has been purchased by Mr H. Beatty; the price paid was £51.

Cora Linn was purchased by Mr Victor Harris while the Wellington Meeting was in progress.

H. Jackson is quartered at Riccarton with Blazer and Battler. This pair will be raced at the forthcoming Summer Meeting. Blazer has never looked better than he is at present. Zither, the hurdler, has been turned out for a spell.

Skobe off and Huku are popular selections for the Midsummer Handicap.

A colt by Westmere has arrived at Riccarton from Blenheim. S. Wilson, who brought the colt here, has had several offers for him.

Benzoine pulled up lame after doing a gallop. I think one of his legs is likely to cause Hobbs some trouble.

WELLINGTON.

TROTTLING CLUBS—THE PAHIATUA MEETING—THE TELFORD V. PETERS CASE—THE HOROWHENUA CLUB—ADDINGTON—MR VICTOR HARRIS' PURCHASES—WELLINGTON R.C. BUSINESS.

WELLINGTON, February 2.

At the last meeting of the Nelson Trotting Club the balance sheet for the last race meeting, when £162 was given in stakes, showed that there was a small balance in hand. A committee was set up to canvass the district for members to meet and report progress on February 12.

Dr Bill and Ringlet look well after their spell at the Hutt.

The Westport Trotting Club made a profit of £187 over the last meeting. The receipts totalled £670.

Cornea is again in daily work at the Hutt under F. Higgott's mentorship.

The weather was wet for the opening day of the Pahiatua Meeting, and the going was heavy, but the weather was fine for the second day when the attendance was better. The Pahiatua Cup of a mile and a-quarter was appropriated by an outsider, Field Trick, a grey filly by Trickster from Field Piece, who beat Passion Fruit by a length, with Illumination (carrying 7lb penalty) third. Tukapa and Passion Fruit were best fancied. Dividend £10 4s. The winner is trained by Ike Freeth at Tauherinakau.

The chestnut mare Kukupa, by Forester—Jeanette, won a double during the day, the Telegraph Stakes and the Konine Handicap. In the first named event she registered an easy win from Mustella, Aldinga being third. There were nine others in the field, Parahina being the actual favourite. Dividend, £5 9s. Kukupa started first choice for the Konine Handicap subsequently, and nothing had a chance with her, she winning by a number of lengths from Fireball and Tokatea. Kukupa's weight was 8st, which included 10lbs penalty. Dividend, £2 7s.

The Louis d'Or mare, Grey Ribbon was best fancied for the Hurdles, and registered a win under 11st 12lb from Cyclist, a minimum weighted horse belonging to Mr K. McKenzie. This animal stumbled at the last fence and the mare got home by half a length. Dividend, £2 6s.

D. Scally scored a very easy win in the Flying Handicap with his Somnus mare, Somnolent, who led all the way, and won from Mustella and Lethargy. Dividend, £2 11s. J. Macares' Plaidie, by Quilt—Jenzail, was very lucky to win the Maiden Plate: General Wolfe was in the lead in the straight, but McMorrin took things rather easily, and Plaidie, coming up from the inside, won by a head. Dividend, £1 15s.

A three year-old chestnut gelding, Mangaba, by Wanderer, beat a field of six in the Members' Handicap. He was ridden by Mr Hirst. Splash (Mr Sims) was only half a length behind. Dividend, £5 7s.

If McMorrin made a mistake with General Wolfe in the Maiden he did not repeat it in the Railway Welter, in which the horse was one of the least fancied. The son of Wolverine led all the way and won anyhow, paying £10 15s. Cavalier beat Rags on the post for second place.

On the second day the Racing Club Handicap fell to Mr Lambert's mare Gipsy Queen, by Gipsy King, who defeated Passion Fruit by a couple of lengths, Cavalier being third. The second horse was favourite but Somnolent was almost as equally fancied. Dividend, £6 18s. Passion Fruit, who is by Douglas, compensated for his defeat later on however, by annexing the mile Grandstand Handicap, paying £7. The margin was a narrow one though, Plaidie being beaten by a head, Oudenarde third, a neck behind the second horse. Oudenarde was favourite.

Illumination had no difficulty in accounting for Fireball and two others in the Newmarket Handicap, returning £1 14s, and Master Jack proved too good for Grey Ribbon in the Hurdles and paid £6 15s. There was a little trouble over the Onslow Park Handicap, which fell to Norine, by Strowan, who defeated Mustella by half a length, with Kukupa (the favourite) third. There were three other starters. A protest was lodged for inconsistency but the stewards dis-

missed it. Although the mare ran in the name of that good sportsman, Mt G. E. G. Richardson of Napier, it is stated that she is not now his property. The dividend was £4 11s.

Forest Oak, by Forester—Belinda, paid 4gns in the Stewards Welter, in which he made all the running and beat Manawanui and half-a-dozen others, and Manawanui had to play second fiddle later on to Wee Guard, by Vanguard—Wheel of Fortune, in the Pahiatua Scurry, the dividend being £4 10s.

At the Magistrate's Court this week the case of Henry Telford v. H. Peters claimed £16 for riding fees at Marton last September was heard. Mr Hindmarsh, counsel for defendant, set up the defence that Telford was an unlicensed jockey at the time, and that therefore Peters would not have been able to get the prizes offered for the races had his horses gained first place when ridden by Telford. Mr Dalziel, counsel for plaintiff, elicited from him that he had been the holder of a jockey's license, and that in the interval of making the arrangement with Peters to ride the horses Telford put in an application for a renewal of his license; that owing to some misunderstanding a notice was inserted in the papers stating that among renewals of jockeys' licenses granted by the Metropolitan Club was that of Telford, whereas the fact was that the question of a renewal was held over in Telford's case. It was sought by the defence to establish that Telford had not done justice to a horse which he rode for Peters, but the plaintiff gave a feasible explanation of the occurrence. Mr Horatio Lyons, secretary of the Wellington Racing Club, deposed that Telford's license was refused because he had an interest in a racehorse, he was not a disqualified jockey. The refusal of Telford's license was notified in the "Referee," but it was likely that before the Marton Meeting Telford would only see the Wellington papers. Mr Hindmarsh submitted that the fact of plaintiff being unqualified to act as a jockey absolved Peters from any liability to pay him riding fees. Mr Dalziel urged that there was absolutely no deceit on his client's part; the absence of that was clearly proved by the evidence. The contract having been performed it could not be severed, and defendant's only remedy was to sue Telford for damages. The defence set up said counsel was merely a quibble in order to escape liability. The Magistrate said he would be guided by the evidence of Lyons, who had deposed that under the circumstances of the case he thought Telford was justified in riding, and that it was possible the Metropolitan Racing Club would have taken into account the special circumstances of the case in event of an appeal against a supposititious win by Peters' horse. Judgment went for plaintiff, with costs £1 16s. Notice of appeal was given.

Mustella had the bad luck to run into second place three times at Pahiatua.

The Ashhurst-Pohangina Racing Club has received thirty-two nominations for the Guineas of 1902.

February 5.

The Horowhenua Club has had its course much improved. All the sharp turns have been rounded and the track extended towards the lake. It is now more of a circular than oval course, and owners will greatly appreciate the improvement.

The stallion Addington has been purchased by Mr Donald Fraser of Rangitikei. He is by Vanguard—Miss Lucy. Mr V. Harris has purchased Cora Linn from Mr J. Corrigan, and Heiress from Captain Russell. It is stated that he gave £200 for the first named.

The St Andrew mare Ngaparua is now being trained by W. Davis at the Hutt.

Quite a number of people have been endeavouring to secure the Reynard gelding Full Cry, but his owner will not part with him. He is apparently a cut above the ordinary.

At a meeting of the committee of the Wellington Club yesterday the balance sheet of the last meeting showed that, notwithstanding the bad weather on the concluding day, there was good balance to credit. It was resolved to pay all liabilities to date. The jockey's license of Charles Taylor was suspended, and it was decided to call upon him for an explanation as to why he left his last employer, Mr J. H. George. B. Ross and K. McKenzie were granted trainer's licenses, and Messrs McCardie and Orr, of Pahiatua, jockey's licenses. The following programmes were passed:—Wairarapa Racing Club, April 8 and 9, stakes £910; and Shannon Hack Club (no tote), stakes £73.

TARANAKI.

January 30.

A Wellington writer mentions that upon the death of Hangfire, which occurred on pulling up after the Foxton Cup was run, a post mortem showed that the horse's inside was full of bot grubs, which had started to eat through the flesh. These pests were evidently the original cause of the horse's death. There is no doubt but that a number of racehorses are affected by the scourge, and their unaccountable form at times is due to these grubs eating out the system. A person who could find out a medicine to drive the grubs out of the animal's stomach would be conferring a lasting benefit, not only on the most intelligent and useful of our so-called dumb animals, but indirectly on mankind. Where this hot pest is going to end nobody seems to know.

Dartmoor has incurred a 5lb penalty for the First Hack race at Taranaki, which brings his weight up to 8st 12lb.

The Minerva II. case is at present quiet. It seems to be generally admitted that the Taranaki Club holds the key of the position.

When the weights appeared for the Taranaki Cup Gipsy Queen was scratched for the Cup and Waylay for the Hack Hurdles.

Tukapa competed at the recent Foxton Meeting, and was just wiped out on the second day in the Grandstand Handicap. He competed at the Pahiatua Meeting this week.

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WANGANUI JOCKEY CLUB'S AUTUMN MEETING.

MARCH 7 AND 8.

FIRST DAY.

STEWARDS' STAKES, one mile.—Palaver, Nobility, Laurestina, Gipsy Queen, Ideal, Sirius, Cannie Chiel, Jadoo, Oingo, Will-o'-the-Wisp, Matera, Calceolaria, Scout, Eton, Ascot Vale, Bowsprit, Brilliantine, Murrum, Melwood, Queen's Guard, The Hemptie.

PRESIDENT'S WELTER HANDICAP, one mile and a distance.—Palaver, Gipsy Queen, Man-o'-War, Ascot Vale, Lusting, Bona Fide, Brown Bill, Daphne, The Hemptie, Gowrie, Whitley, Jadoo.

FIRST HANDICAP HURDLES, about two miles and a distance.—Scallywag, Grey Ribbon, Cairo, Ngapuhi, Waylay, Waiwera, Coin, Troubadour, Tim, Moifa, Hauriri, Hautonga, Vanquish, Sabreur, Whetu, Tui, Gowrie, The Guard.

FIRST HACK HANDICAP, one mile and a distance.—Fakir, Katrina, Gold Cord, Aquinaldo, Bowman, Van, Hardwork, Mooren, Wai-iti, Waterford, Oudenarde, Eskdale, Coma, Maimai, Ngatihua, Mazona, Somnolent, Siandra, Impati, Bones, Lady Bell, Pipiwai, Puanga, St Ada, Haydn, Royal Flush.

FIRST HACK HURDLE RACE, about one mile and five furlongs.—Avant Garde, Hutana, Mamaku, Taravento, Exception, Wharangi, Cyclist, Te-eme, Capture, Halcyon, Sudor, Puanca, Madman, Morning, Hail, Arabi Pasha, Coral, Dormant, Haydn.

SECOND DAY.

SECOND HANDICAP HURDLES, about one mile and a-half.—Scallywag, Grey Ribbon, Cairo, Ngapuhi, Waylay, Waiwera, Coin, Troubadour, Tim, Moifa, Hauriri, Hautonga, Vanquish, Sabreur, Whetu, Tui, Gowrie, The Guard, Vibration.

AUTUMN HANDICAP, one mile and a distance.—Queen's Guard, Fashion, Palaver, Nobility, Laurestina, Gipsy Queen, Ideal, Phooka, Sirius, Will-o'-the-Wisp, Matera, Calceolaria, Scout, Bona Fide, Murrum, Daphne, The Hemptie, The Needle.

SECOND HACK HANDICAP, six furlongs.—Fakir, Katrina, Gold Cord, Aquinaldo, Bowman, Impati, Bones, Lady Bell, Pipiwai, St Ada, Van, Hardwork, Mooren, Wai-iti, Waterford, Oudenarde, Eskdale, Coma, Maimai, Ngatihua, Mazona, Somnolent, Haydn, Royal Flush, April, Marianthus, My Jimmie, Puketapu, Bawn Boy, Te-eme, Mairehu, Kidbrook, Lady Guard, Himalaya.

PETE WELTER HANDICAP, one mile.—Gipsy Queen, Kahuwai, Man-o'-War, Ascot Vale, Lusting, The Hemptie, Brown Bill, Daphne, Gowrie, Whitley, Jadoo.

HARRISON MEMORIAL, six furlongs.—Ostiak, The Shannon, Phooka, Cannie Chiel, Tommy Atkins, Momo-haki, Oingo, Full Cry, Scout, Sedgemoor, Bowsprit, Chasseur, Cora Linn, Melwood, Eton.

FARWELL HANDICAP, one mile.—Fashion, Nobility, Palaver, Laurestina, Gipsy Queen, Sirius, Tommy Atkins, Oingo, Will-o'-the-Wisp, Man-o'-War, Calceolaria, Sylvia Park, Eton, Sedgemoor, Ascot Vale, Bowsprit, Brilliantine, Bona Fide, Murrum, Brown Bill, Cora Linn, Queen's Guard, Jadoo, The Needle, Gowrie.

C.J.C. AUTUMN MEETING.

Table listing horse names and jockeys for the C.J.C. Autumn Meeting, including Great Easter Handicap and Great Autumn Handicap.

HANDICAPS.

CANTERBURY JOCKEY CLUB'S MIDSUMMER MEETING.

Table of handicaps for the Canterbury Jockey Club's Midsummer Meeting, including Halswell Hurdles and Lyttelton Plate.

DANEVIRKE HACK RACE MEETING.

Table of handicaps for the Danevirke Hack Race Meeting, including Flying Handicap and Danevirke Handicap.

WAITEKAURI R.C. MEETING.

Table of handicaps for the Waitekauri R.C. Meeting, including Maiden Plate and Waitekauri Cup Handicap.

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Table listing horses and jockeys for the Members' Welter Handicap.

HANDICAP PONY RACE, six furlongs.

Table listing horses and jockeys for the Handicap Pony Race.

FLYING HANDICAP, six furlongs.

Table listing horses and jockeys for the Flying Handicap.

EGMONT R.C. MEETING.

Table listing horses and jockeys for the Egmont R.C. Meeting, including Egmont Cup.

HAWERA WELTER HANDICAP, one mile.

Table listing horses and jockeys for the Hawera Welter Handicap.

SECOND HACK FLAT, one mile and a furlong.

Table listing horses and jockeys for the Second Hack Flat.

FLYING HANDICAP, six furlongs.

Table listing horses and jockeys for the Flying Handicap.

FIRST HANDICAP HURDLES, one mile and three-quarters.

Table listing horses and jockeys for the First Handicap Hurdles.

FIRST HACK FLAT, six furlongs.

Table listing horses and jockeys for the First Hack Flat.

HACK HURDLES, one mile and a-half.

Table listing horses and jockeys for the Hack Hurdles.

HANDICAP TROT, two miles.

Table listing horses and jockeys for the Handicap Trot.

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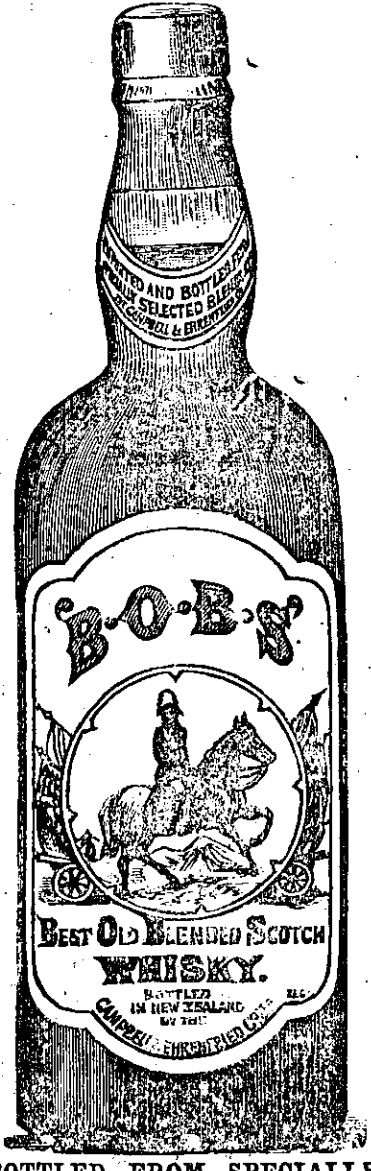
Table listing horses and jockeys for the Canterbury Jockey Club's Midsummer Meeting, including Midsommer Handicap.

TARANAKI JOCKEY CLUB'S AUTUMN MEETING.

Table of handicaps for the Taranaki Jockey Club's Autumn Meeting, including Stewards' Handicap and Henui Hack Handicap.

TAKAPUNA J.C. SUMMER MEETING.

Table of handicaps for the Takapuna J.C. Summer Meeting, including Maiden Plate and Stewards' Handicap.



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Cora Linn Calceolaria Ideal
Renown Terror Nobility
Palaver Queen's Guard Sylvia Park
Skobelev Materoa Fashion
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Brown Bill Glenaladale Will-o-the-Wisp
Jadoo Kahuwai Laurestina

WANGANUI STAKES, of 400 sovs.

- Coronet The Hempte Uhlun
Advance Full Cry Tortulla
Boreas Cora Linn Calceolaria
Ideal Renown Terror
Nobility Palaver Queen's Guard
Sylvia Park Skobelev Materoa
Fashion Cour de Lion Toa
Dayntree Brown Bill Glenaladale
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Laurestina

FLYING HANDICAP, of 200 sovs; six furlongs.

- Eton Advance Boreas
Ostiak Cora Linn Jabber
Phooka Terror The Shannon
Full Cry Sylvia Park Formosan
Chasseur Sedgebrook Momohaki
Bowspit The Needle Murmur
Oingo Laurestina Tommy Atkins

DUNEDIN JOCKEY CLUB'S SUMMER MEETING.

FIRST HURDLES.—Derry, Zither, Pioneer, Dundee, Larboard Watch, Hex, Estella, St Hiko, Skipper.
STEWARDS' WELFARE.—First Blood, Decoy, Cadet, Magnificent, La Reine, Lady Madge, Spider, Terrapin, St Denis, Witchcraft, Brisa, Wedlock, Goldspur, Blandford, Oz Chance, Strathairn, Helen, Senior Wrangler.
CITY STAKES HANDICAP.—Steelgun, Cruciform, Red Gauntlet, Battler, Algarvie, Count of Kolmar, Menschikoff, Canteen.
DOMAIN HANDICAP.—Hermosa, Abercrombie, St Denis, Pampero, Hellepe, Senior Wrangler, Spider, Blazer, Cherrystone, Komuri, Dundas, Goldspur, Hypnotist, Magnificent, La Reine, Benzoin.
RAILWAY PLATE.—Spider, Battler, Red Gauntlet, Goldspur, Paladin, Menschikoff, Blazer.
SECOND HURDLES HANDICAP.—Estella, Pakipaki, Derry, Zither, Pioneer, Dundee, Larboard Watch, Hex, Skipper, St Hiko.
HOPEFUL STAKES.—Steelgun, Algarvie, Komuri, Count of Kolmar, Battler, Canteen, Pampero, Lady Madge, Menschikoff, Whirlwind, Red Gauntlet, Taurida.
FLYING HANDICAP.—First Blood, Spider, Hypnotist, Magnificent, Pampero, Abercrombie, St Denis, Paladin, Dundas, Blazer, Cherrystone, Benzoin, Brisa

PAPAKURA RACING CLUB'S ANNUAL MEETING.

MAIDEN RACE.—Puffing Billy, Pourerere, Corvette, Black Rose, Progee, Miss Drury, The Owl, Bandalier, Pangarehu, Balbirnie, Bob, Crescent, Sly Miss, Pipiwharauroa.
FLYING STAKES.—Puffing Billy, Golden Tress, Belfast, Bacchus, Sunlight, Valedictory, The Slave, Blaircarrig, Red Lancer, Blairina, Captain Swift, Nightingale, Swiftfoot, Telephone, Crusade, Delia Rose, Lady Dash, The Waster, Crescent, Clanman, Defender.
PONY RACE.—Queen Bee, Goitsir, The Slave, Helisades, Nora, Mamos, First Whisper, Tarsdale.
PAPAKURA HANDICAP.—Puffing Billy, Pourerere, Golden Tress, Black Rose, Bacchus, Corvette, The Needle, Volee, Jim Kean, Blaircarrig, The Frenchman, Balbirnie, Swiftfoot, Knight of Athol, Bob, Crusade, Delia Rose, St Ona, Regalia II.
HACK RACE.—Puffing Billy, Queen Bee, Pandarus, Golden Tress, Bacchus, Phantom, Sunlight, Progee, Valedictory, Miss Drury, Bandalier, Pangarehu, Balbirnie, Captor, X Ray, The Waster.
RAILWAY PLATE.—Puffing Billy, Pourerere, Black Rose, Belfast, Bacchus, Corvette, The Needle, Volee, Jim Kean, Blaircarrig, The Frenchman Red Lancer, Blairina, Captain Swift, Knight of Athol, Swiftfoot, Telephone, Crusade, Delia Rose, Lady Dash, St Ona, Regalia II., The Waster, Crescent, Sly Miss, Defender.



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OCTOBER, 1901.

THE HASTINGS STAKES of 250 sovs; second horse to receive 50 sovs from the stake. For two-year-olds (now yearlings); colts 8st 5lb, fillies and geldings 8st. Four furlongs.

- Mr T. H. Lowry's br f by Stepniak—Maader
Mr T. H. Lowry's ch f by Sou'-wester—Bijou
Mr T. H. Lowry's ch c by Stepniak—Razee Nuna.
Mr E. J. Evans' ch c Spilpeen, by Gossoon—Windmill
Mr E. J. Evans' b f Joy by Eton—Welcome
Mr Douglas Gordon's ch o by Seaton Delaval—Waitemata
Mr G. P. Donnelly's b c Goldduat, by Gold Reef—Pearl Powder
Mr G. P. Donnelly's br c Goldpurso, by Gold Reef—Pursastring
Major George's br c Powerful, by Nelson—Moonga
Messrs L. D. and N. A. Nathan's g c by Seaton Delaval—Vivandiere
Messrs L. D. and N. A. Nathan's b c by Seaton Delaval—Miss Letty
Messrs L. D. and N. A. Nathan's ch c by Seaton Delaval—Campania
Mr G. G. Stead's b c by Hotchkiss—t Evelyn
Mr G. G. Stead's b f by Castor—Clay
Mr G. G. Stead's b c Imperator, by Gipsy Grand—Coronal
Mr G. G. Stead's blk g King Stork, by Stepniak—Fairymaid
Mr G. G. Stead's b f Stepdancer, by Stepniak—Marion
Mr G. G. Stead's b f Cyclamen, by Gipsy Grand—Corolla
Mr Joseph Paul's ch c Walpawa, by Apremont—Legera
Mr Joseph Paul's ch c Contingent, by Workman—Leonessa
Mr Joseph Paul's ch f Impala, by Workman—Caribou
Mr George Hunter's br f by St Leger—Forme
Mr George Hunter's b f St Leger—Antelope
Mr George Hunter's b f by Apremont—Whisper
Mr Francis Bedford's b f Seaton Delaval—Liquidation
Mr C. G. Dalgety's ch f Stepdancer, by Stepniak—Pibroch
Mr C. G. Dalgety's br c Firebrand, by Stepniak—Firecross
Hon J. D. Ormond's blk g Springbok, by Flintlock—Mount Ida
Hon J. D. Ormond's ch g Wheelock, by Flintlock—Miss Evelyn
Hon J. D. Ormond's ch f Camelot, by Sir Lancelot—Trentalto

- Hon J. D. Ormond's ch f Guinevere, by Sir Lancelot—Orientale
Hon J. D. Ormond's ch f Witchet, by Lancelot—Elfbrook
Hon J. D. Ormond's b c Catspaw, by Fou'-wester—Katie Forkeuson
Captain Russell's blk f Wild Cat by Goldreef—Tigradia
Captain Russell's ch f Drakensberg, by El Draque—Huerfano
Mr T. H. Moore's br f Brilliance, by Sou'-wester—Dazzle
Mr W. John Douglas' b f by Quilt—Nymph
Mr W. John Douglas' b g by Gold Reef—Brooklet
Mr W. John Douglas' b g by Gold Reef—Vista
Mr W. John Douglas' b g by Torpedo—Primrose
Mr W. John Douglas' b g by Gold Reef—Brooklet
Sir George Clifford's br f Dirk, by Clanranald—Safeguard
Mr S. H. Gollan's br c by Captain Webb—Eastlode
Mr S. H. Gollan's b g by Captain Webb—Hinenui Te Po
Mr S. H. Gollan's br f by Captain Webb—Fair Nell
Mr S. H. Gollan's ch g by Jet d'Eau—Cartouche
Mr S. H. Gollan's ch f by Captain Webb—Bonnie Idee
Mr Hugo Friedlander's ch c by Hotchkiss—Lady Augusta
Mr H. Q. Caulton's br c by Strephon—Sheet Lightning
Mr W. Rathbone's br c by Apremont—Plaster
Mr W. Rathbone's b f by Hotchkiss—Aida
Mr W. Rathbone's b f by Strephon—Heavenly Twin
Mr V. Robinson's br c by Waterfall—Ripple
Mr P. D. O'Fullivan's b c by Sou'-wester—Little Primrose

HAWKE'S BAY J.C. SPRING MEETING.

OCTOBER, 1902.

THE HASTINGS STAKES, of 250 sovs; second horse to receive 50 sovs from the stake. For two-year-olds (now foals); colts 8.5, fillies and geldings 8.0. Four furlongs.

- Mr T. H. Lowry's b f by Mahaki—Bijou
Mr E. J. Evans' b c by Cyrenian—Windmill
Mr E. J. Evans' k f by Cyrenian—Irma
Mr E. J. Evans' b g by Cyrenian—Ohio
Mr E. J. Evans' b c by Cyrenian—Minola
Mr E. J. Evans' b f by Eton—Pit-a-Pat
Mr E. J. Evans' b g by Cyrenian—Asthore
Mr E. J. Evans' b c by Cyrenian—Silk
Mr G. P. Donnelly's br c by Torpedo—Como
Mr G. P. Donnelly's br c by Goldreef—Pursastring
Mr G. P. Donnelly's blk f by Torpedo—Eider
Messrs L. D. and N. A. Nathan's blk c Capstan—Robinilla

- Messrs L. D. and N. A. Nathan's br c by Hotchkiss—Jadedstone
Messrs L. D. and N. A. Nathan's br c by Hotchkiss—Sybil
Messrs L. D. and N. A. Nathan's br f by Hotchkiss—Miss Rose
Messrs L. D. and N. A. Nathan's b c by Seaton Delaval—Miss Letty
Messrs L. D. and N. A. Nathan's ch f by Seaton Delaval—Leocant
Messrs L. D. and N. A. Nathan's b f by Seaton Delaval—Roie
Messrs L. D. and N. A. Nathan's b f by Seaton Delaval—Campania
Messrs L. D. and N. A. Nathan's b f by Seaton Delaval—Waitemata
Messrs L. D. and N. A. Nathan's ch f by Seaton Delaval—Miss Gladys
Messrs L. D. and N. A. Nathan's b f by Seaton Delaval—Charente
Messrs L. D. and N. A. Nathan's b f by Seaton Delaval—Sunbesm
Messrs L. D. and N. A. Nathan's b f by Cuiraasier—Lady Moth
Mr Joseph Paul's b c Bruce Lowe, by Westmere—Caribou
Mr G. G. Stead's b f by Hotchkiss—Ich Dien
Mr G. G. Stead's ch f by Gipsy Grand—Marion
Mr C. A. Loughnan's b f by Torpedo—Moira
Mr L. Cottle's b f Missfire—Lorna
Mr George Hunter's blk f by Mahaki—Whisper
Mr George Hunter's b c by Torpedo—Planet
Mr George Hunter's b c by Wonderland—Lenore
Mr Timothy Donovan's ch f Nellie Ray, by New Forest—Maggie May
Hon J. D. Ormond's br c by The Officer—Trentalto
Hon J. D. Ormond's br c by The Officer—Lyrebird
Hon J. D. Ormond's b c by The Officer—Sabra
Hon J. D. Ormond's b c by The Officer—Arcthusa
Hon J. D. Ormond's b c by The Officer—Dreadnaught
Hon J. D. Ormond's b c by The Officer—Delft
Hon J. D. Ormond's br c by The Officer—Lyre
Hon J. D. Ormond's blk f by The Officer—Kaid
Hon J. D. Ormond's br f by The Officer—Mount Ida
Hon J. D. Ormond's br c by The Officer—Solitaire
Captain Russell's ch c by Torpedo—Aronal
Captain Russell's b f by Cour de Lion—Katie Ferguson
Captain Russell's b f by Torpedo—Rasulka
Captain Russell's ch f by Cour de Lion—St Katherine
Mr Thomas B. Moore's br c Prosperator, by Goldreef—Dazzle
Mr John Douglas' ch c by Quilt—Mande
Mr John Douglas' br c by Torpedo—Ua
Mr John Douglas' b c by Torpedo—Streamlet
Mr John Douglas' br c by Torpedo—Rivulet
Mr John Douglas' br c by Mahaki—Waikaha
Mr W. John Douglas' br c by Goldreef—Nymph
Mr W. John Douglas' br f by Mahaki—Waiau
Mr W. John Douglas' br f by Mahaki—The Brook
Mr W. John Douglas' br f by Torpedo—Melinite
Mr W. John Douglas' br c by Quilt—Waipurata
Sir George Clifford's b c Ardchattan, by Clanranald—Teredina
Mr Ritiera Turetabi's b f by New Forest—
Mr H. Limmer's ch f by Goldreef—Lady Darling
Mr W. Rathbone's ch c by Apremont—Platter
Mr W. Rathbone's ch c by Apremont—Paihoa
Mr W. Robinson's ch c by Leontini—Ripple
Mr W. Robinson's br or blk f by Torpedo—Watercolor
Mr W. Robinson's ch f by Leontini—Nadine
Mr W. Robinson's b c by Leontini—Martini Enfield mare
Mr John F. Reid's ch c by Gipsy Grand—Coronal
Mr John F. Reid's ch c by Gipsy Grand—Ilma
Mr John F. Reid's b f by Gipsy Grand—Reel
Mr John F. Reid's b f by Gipsy Grand—Whirlpool
Mr John F. Reid's br f by Gipsy Grand—Sortie
Mr John F. Reid's b c by Gipsy Grand—Crest
Mr John F. Reid's b c by Gipsy Grand—Cobweb
Mr John F. Reid's br c by Stepniak—Fairy Maid
Mr John F. Reid's br c by Stepniak—Ranee Nuna
Mr John F. Reid's b f by Stepniak—Madder
Mr John F. Reid's br f by Stepniak—Illusion
Mr Thomas Morrin's br c by Hotchkiss—Queen Cole
Mr Thomas Morrin's br c by Hotchkiss—Lady Evelyn
Mr Thomas Morrin's br c by St Leger—Edith Cureton
Mr Thomas Morrin's br c by St Leger—Lady Cecilia
Mr Thomas Morrin's ch c by Hotchkiss—Crescent
Mr Thomas Morrin's b c by Hotchkiss—Rubina
Mr Thomas Morrin's br c by Seaton Delaval—Radiant
Mr Thomas Morrin's br c by Cyrenian—Hazel
Mr Thomas Morrin's br c by Hotchkiss—Janet
Mr Thomas Morrin's b c by Castor—Lady Peer
Mr Thomas Morrin's b c by Hotchkiss—Lady Augusta
Mr Thomas Morrin's br c by Lady Roelyn—Lady Gertrude
Mr Thomas Morrin's ch c by St Leger—The Witch
Mr Thomas Morrin's br c by Torpedo—Antelope
Mr Thomas Morrin's ch c by Castor—St Mary
Mr Thomas Morrin's ch c by St Leger—Lady Harriett
Mr Thomas Morrin's ch c by St Leger—Brown Alice
Mr Thomas Morrin's b c by Castor—Bangle
Mr Thomas Morrin's br f by Hotchkiss—Rose of Wellington
Mr Thomas Morrin's b f by Castor—Necklace
Mr Thomas Morrin's ch f by St Leger—Gannet
Mr Thomas Morrin's b f by St Leger—Gairalpa
Mr Thomas Morrin's b f by Castor—Yataghan
Mr Thomas Morrin's ch f by Hotchkiss—Armilla
Mr Thomas Morrin's b f by Hotchkiss—St Evelyn
Mr Thomas Morrin's ch f by Musketry—Sunningdale
Mr Thomas Morrin's br f by Soult—Forme
Mr Thomas Morrin's b f by Seaton Delaval—Vivandiere

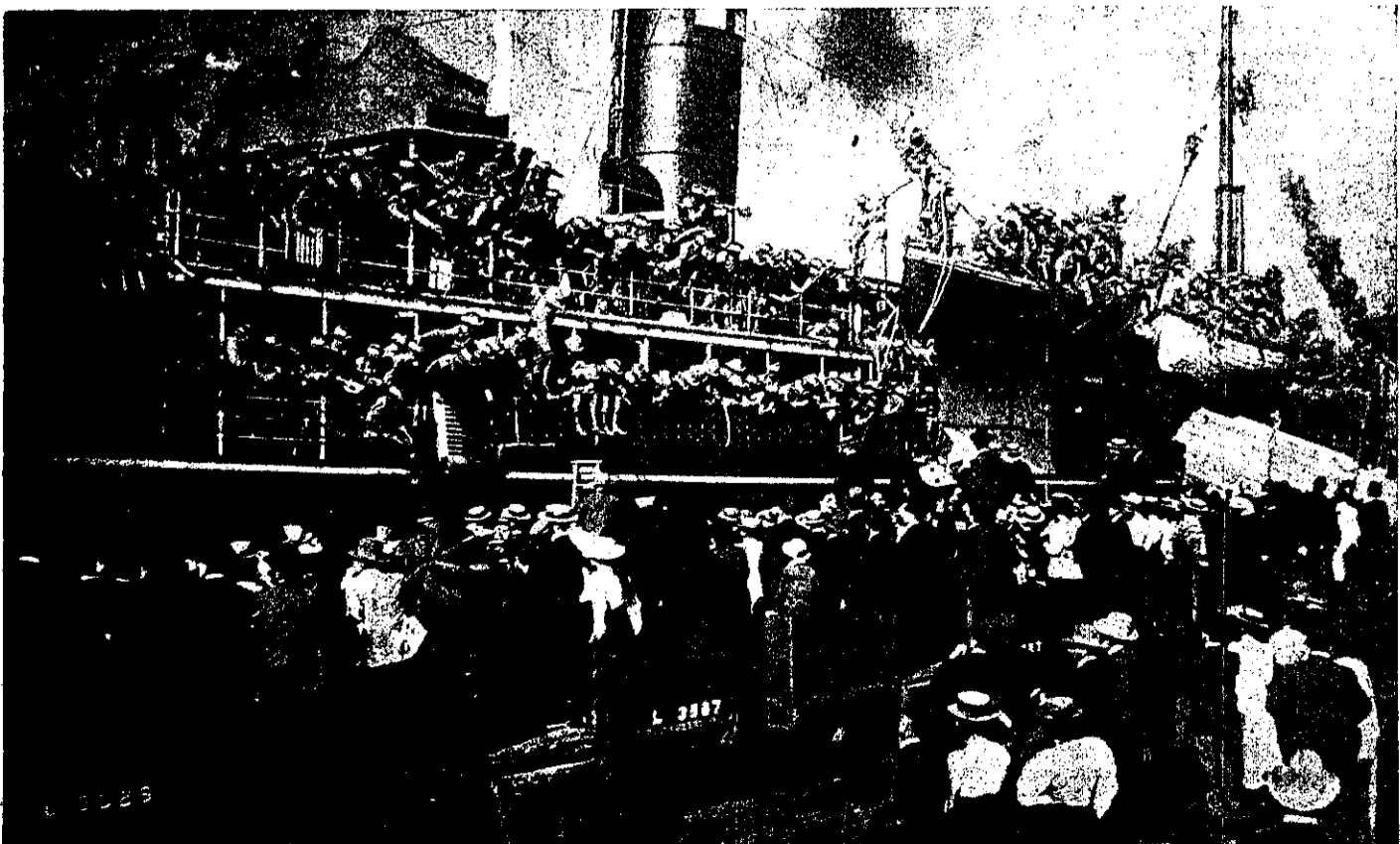


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TROTTER CALENDAR.

FIXTURE.

Feb 23, Sat; 27, Wed; 2 March, Sat.—Otahuhu T.C. Summer Meeting.

NOMINATIONS.

Feb 8, Fri.—Otahuhu T.C.

HANDICAPS.

Feb 12, Tues.—Otahuhu T.C.

Feb 25, Mon.—Otahuhu T.C.

Feb 28, Thurs.—Otahuhu T.C.

ACCEPTANCES.

Feb 15, Fri.—Otahuhu T.C.

Feb 25, Mon.—Otahuhu T.C.

Feb 28, Thurs.—Otahuhu T.C.

HIGH PRICES FOR TROTTERS.

The Abbott, king of trotters, has made good W. B. Fasig's prediction that a gelding would some day sell for 25,000dol at auction, says an American exchange. The champion has a new owner, and as a result 26,500dol has been placed on the credit side of grand old Nettie King's account in the Village Farm ledger. That The Abbot would bring any such figure was not the general thought. Quite a number of folks set the amount at 25,000dol, but the majority averaged around 20,000dol. Although the fastest trotter we have ever seen, and still right in the prime of life, he must be called a well sold horse. His earning capacity is practically nothing, for he can get no horse to race against, and the exhibition business will not pay training and shipping expenses.

Only three other geldings have been sold for more money than The Abbot. The late Robert Bonner paid 36,000dol for Rarus and 33,000dol for Dexter. The other gelding who cost more money than the present champion was Prince Wilkes, who sold for 30,000dol, but all these were sold at private sale. Following is a list of trotters that have been sold for 20,000dol or more at either private or auction sales.

Table listing horse names, breeds, and sale prices in dollars. Includes entries like Arion 2.07 1/2, Axtell 2.12, Director 2.17, Anteo 2.16 1/2, etc.

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Of the above-named horses a volume of history might be written. The high price geldings were all sold after their racing days were over. Arion, the record-breaker for all trotters, is still owned by the man, J. Malcolm Forbes, who gave a fortune for him. He was a most marvellous colt trotter we have ever seen. As a sire he has given Mr Forbes the satisfaction of having bred Nico, and his Master of Ponkapog has never regretted his purchase.

Axtell has earned over 100,000dols, more than his cost since he was sold for six figures. At the recent New York sale he changed hands for 14,700dols. Director never earned a dollar over his keep for A. H. Moore, and was sold for less than 2000dols, within a half-dozen years of the time he cost 75,000dols.

Anteo did not prove a good investment, as his owner soon became a financial wreck. A fire, which caused his death, made Bell Boy an expensive investment. Had he lived he would have

more than paid for himself. Stamboul was well sold at 50,000dols. Directum's sale for 20,000 dollars, which occurred two years ago, was the first big sale of the revival in horse values, and Mr W. E. Spiers will probably get all his money back in stud fees in a few years.

Nancy Hanks, Maud S., Rarus, Dexter, and Sunol were bought because they were champions, and with no idea of ever realising interest on the money.

In the above list the prize package for a no-account horse is Athol, a brother to Arion, who brought 25,000dols under the hammer during the boom days of the early nineties. Voodoo and Mascot are about a stand-off for the second leather medal.

WAIHI JOCKEY CLUB. AUTUMN MEETING. TO BE HELD ON THE NEW RACECOURSE, WAIHI, ON SATURDAY, MARCH 23, 1901. Passed by the Auckland Racing Club. TOTALISATOR PERMIT GRANTED.

OFFICERS.—Patron: Mr Jackson Palmer, M.H.R. President: Mr W. H. Phillips. Vice-Presidents: Messrs

D. McLean, F. N. Hazard, G. Crosby, W. C. Brown, H. M. Haslett, Dr. Forbes, C. J. Saunders, J. Murphy, O. Short, T. Lawless, E. Pilling, W. Hollis, D. Campbell, and J. E. Taylor. Stewards and Committee: Messrs E. S. Ready, D. G. Saunders, W. Corbett, G. Johnston, W. Simms, J. Graham, Dr. Forbes, R. M. Ryburn, T. McCarthy, D. Carnahan, W. G. Hume, F. Grant, A. Samson, A. Y. Ross, and J. M. Wrigley. Judge: Mr E. Newdick. Starter: Mr J. Graham. Clerk of the Scales: Mr W. Corbett. Clerk of the Course: Mr D. Canahan. Handicapper: Mr J. O. Evett. Treasurer: Mr J. Flett. Secretary: Mr J. Cowan.

PROGRAMME.

Maiden Race, of 12 sovs; second horse to receive 2 sovs from the stake. For horses that have never won an advertised race exceeding the value of 20 sovs at time of starting. Nomination, 5s; acceptance, 7s. Seven furlongs. To start at 1 p.m.

Hurdle Handicap, of 25 sovs; second horse to receive 3 sovs from the stake. Over six flights of hurdles 3ft 6in high. Nomination, 12s 6d; acceptance, 12s 6d. About one mile and a-half. To start at 1.45 p.m.

Waihi Cup, of 50 sovs; second horse to receive 5 sovs from the stake. Nomination, 1 sov; acceptance 1 sov. One mile and a-quarter. To start at 2.45 p.m.

Local Race, of 15 sovs; second horse to receive 2 sovs from the stake. For horses owned by residents within the boundaries of the Waihi and Waitekauri Ridings for three months prior to the race. Nomination, 7s 6d; acceptance, 7s 6d. One mile. To start at 3.30 p.m.

McCurdy Memorial Stakes, of 25 sovs; second horse to receive 3 sovs from the stake. Nomination, 12s 6d; acceptance, 12s 6d. Six furlongs. To start at 4.15 p.m.

Pony Handicap, of 20 sovs; second horse to receive 2 1/2 sovs from the stake. For ponies 14.3 and under. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, 10s. Seven furlongs. To start at 5 p.m.

Forced Handicap, of 12 sovs; second horse to receive 2 sovs from the stake. Nomination, 10s; acceptance, nil. Seven furlongs. To start at 5.45 p.m.

Nominations close with the Secretary, at Waihi, on Friday, February 22, 1901. Weights to be declared on Friday, March 1, 1901. Acceptances close with the Secretary on Friday, March 1, 1901.

RULES AND REGULATIONS.

The winner of any Handicap Race of the value of 40 sovs, after the declaration of weights, to carry 7lb extra. Owners, trainers, and others entering and accepting horses for the Waihi Meeting are notified that no Entries or Acceptances will be received unless accompanied with the necessary amount in cash. All Persons intending to withdraw Horses are required to give notice to that effect to the Secretary or Clerk of Scales one half hour before the official time for starting the race. Any person neglecting or refusing to comply with this rule shall pay a fine to be imposed by the Stewards not exceeding 5 sovs. Five per cent. will be deducted from the gross amount of all stakes for racecourse improvements. Every entry must state the name, or assumed name, of the owner or owners, and the name, age, and pedigree, and description of the horse, and performances, together with the colours of the rider. In the event of a walk-over half the Stakes to be paid. Ponies will be measured at the Ohinemuri Coaching Company's stables between the hours of 9 and 10 on the morning of the race.

JOHN COWAN, Secretary.

6D. AGRICULTURAL HALL. 6D EVERY EVENING AT EIGHT. FULLER'S BIJOU COMPANY. MR GEO. WILLIAMSON. LOTTIE LORNE LENA YOUNG. TRIXIE LE MAR W. SLYVAIN. AUBREY DOUGLAS JOHN FULLER and WILL WATKINS. POPULAR PRICES: 6d TO ALL PARTS. OUR MOTTO: "We give the most, ask the least." COOLEST THEATRE IN AUCKLAND. MISS LENA YOUNG & MR JOHN FULLER in Duet, "In the Dusk of the Twilight." Admission, 6d. Front Chairs, 1s.

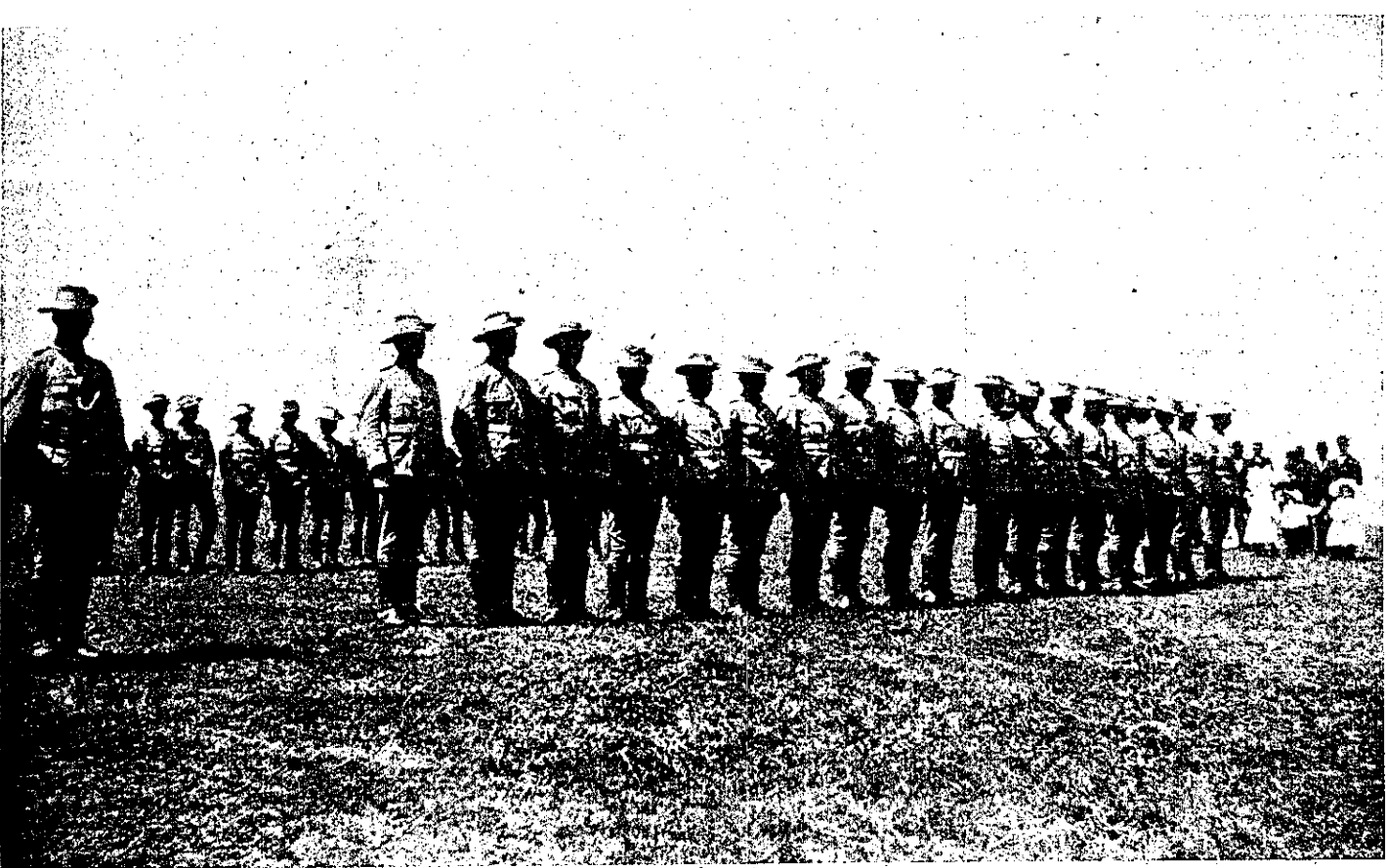


Photo by E. A. E. O'Keeffe, Auckland. SOME OF THE AUCKLAND MEMBERS OF THE SIXTH CONTINGENT.



Photo by E. A. E. O'Keeffe, Auckland. MEMBERS OF THE SIX CONTINGENT PACKING KITS IN THE AUCKLAND DOMAIN.

TEETOTAL TRICKERY.

A CHAT BETWEEN TWO CHUMS.

[RECORDED BY E.J.]

The condition was curious. But it is a fact that as Isaac Appleton's body became enfeebled through illness his mind seemed to gain an accession of force. He was told not to think. What absurd commands doctors give their patients now and then! You might as well tell a man with a severe cold in his head not to sneeze, as order an active-minded man, in the invalided condition, not to think.

So Isaac Appleton, during his bodily prostration, actually continued to think! He could not obey the physician's injunction. And, as he had mingled among big communities and travelled a great deal near and far, his thoughts became fixed on a variety of modern notions, ostensibly projected for the welfare of that very erratic creature called "Man." "Man," in this instance, of course includes woman. That is a peculiarity of our language, and the case is possibly a grievance of the lady Social Separatist "orator-esses," who delight in advocating that utterly impossible theory—woman's absolute independence. They get some individuals dressed in men's clothes to help them, too. That's a queer side of the question.

Isaac Appleton was sitting up in bed when his old friend Billy Towers called on him. Billy was very glad to see his chum looking better than usual—"a little of the old spry 'catch-em-before-they-fall' look in his phiz," was the opinion expressed on the occasion.

"I say, Billy," said Isaac, when they got on gossip terms, "what do you think I've been doing, or rather cogitating on, lately?"

"Ask me another—an easier one," was Billy's response. "For all I know you may be thinking of challenging the air-ship man—not spelt heir—or a deep-sea diver; or you may fancy yourself asking Roberts to take two hundred and fifty in a thousand from you, the loser to get the door-money. Or you may purpose going out to Australia, with a new suit of clothes on, to make love to a lady with a gold mine."

"Don't 'frivol,' Billy," replied Isaac. "It's a cheap habit, and I'm serious just now. Fact is, I've been thinking what a lot of sham there is in all social reformation societies, but more particularly in the teetotal connection. We've really had too much of it."

Billy looked at his friend for a few moments, and then burst into a loud shout of laughter.

"Why, my boy," he said when the fit subsided, "if you said 'cham' from the vineyards of sunny Rheims, I, for one, couldn't say I have had too much of it. As to the sham of teetotalism, I'm not in a position to offer any opinion, seeing that I'm an ordinary moderate man, and have never had any cause to give more than a passing thought to the subject. I think, though, that it is wholly a personal question. I certainly do not believe in compulsory restrictive laws, if that is what you mean."

"That's it," Isaac responded. "While speaking of sham I alluded to the constitution of suppressive journals, for it is with them I've had most to do. They're downright impossible to men who have to live by writing for the press."

"That's an emphatic accusation from a man of your literary experience. You must be right, I suppose, but I fail to see the working in such an active agitating organisation, the very existence of which depends upon the most effective ways of gaining and maintaining the utmost possible charitable publicity."

"Individual selfishness, my boy; then selfish cliquishness. In the general public the clique sees only one great ruling attachment, and that is represented by the simple word 'subscriptions.' The cliques absorb the funds, and having to show some results they monopolise the pages of their special publications with self-advertising contributions of the sickly sentimental sort, thus making an exclusive confederacy for the control of all the profitable connections of tribute to the special cause, the most familiar being the temperance purpose."

"May I ask if you have had any personal experience of this assumed confederacy's ways?" inquired Billy, gravely.

"You know well enough, Billy Towers, that I'm not a man to make a positive assertion out of a mere supposition," was Isaac Appleton's response. "As a writer for the public, I have learned, long ago, to be very circumspect in my statements. I have had the experience you speak of. Look here."

Isaac produced a small bundle of newspapers from a shelf, oddly placed on the wall at the back of his bed. "You must be aware," he said, "that I believe in a common-sense sobriety as being the only condition in which life can be properly enjoyed. In social circles total abstinence is ungenial in many ways. In one way it suggests to others an undeserved reproof. Excessive drinking, on the other hand, is intolerable to a moderate man in company."

"It pays the publican," suggested Billy.

"The right sort don't think so," Isaac replied. "One boisterous boozer may scare a score of respectable regular customers. No, no! Most innkeepers and publicans are better temperance advocates than you'll find on the ordinary teetotal platform anywhere. But that part of the question is not the part I wish to speak about. Do you see these papers?"

"Yes, I'm not blind; they appear to be a lot of teetotal and popular religious papers and journals. On examination I find I know them all—by their titles, I mean. But why you have them beside you I can't, for the life of me, say." Billy tossed the papers about and sank back in his chair.

"I keep them as remembrancers and as warnings. These papers contain a number of articles from my pen."

"Impossible!" exclaimed Billy. "Why, Appleton, you're not a convert, and I could never fancy you being an impostor."

"Thanks, old chap! No, I don't think I'm an adept either at professional conversion or amateur imposture. But I happen to have studied the teetotal side of the drink question quite as closely as the taverner's side. It is a subject concerning which prejudice, either on one side or another, is almost unavoidable."

"As liquor will always reach its level, even by underground channels, the subject should be left to adjust itself; that's my way of thinking." Billy uttered this opinion with marked emphasis.

"My argument has always been that the habit is an individual responsibility, not a community's charge," said Isaac. "In those papers you may read quite a lot of my writing on the subject. Why should tavern-keepers be held responsible for the craving of dipsomaniacs, any more than tea-men for the nervous ailments common among millions of tea drinker?"

"I give it up!" "So do I, although I asked the question myself," Isaac remarked. "But it may surprise you to learn that I think there is more commercial meanness in the management of a teetotal periodical than there is in any sort of wrong doing in the management of an ordinary public-house."

"Well, I can't say I'm surprised at what you say," responded Billy, thoughtfully, "but what personal experience induces you to be so severe on 'T.T.' organs?"

"The sharpest experience. Hear this. For all my writings in temperance periodicals I've never yet received a single penny from editors or proprietors. It has gone on for some years. And all whom I've corresponded with knew I depended on my writing for a living."

"Whew. That's nasty. But did you ever write and ask for payment?" Billy asked this question, knowing that his friend when in health was not very particular about money matters.

"Yes; and I recently told them of my illness and consequent inability to earn a fraction of my customary income. I told them I needed 'medical comforts,' as the soldiers say, and thought a request for some small payment for my contributions only reasonable."

"What resulted?" inquired Billy.

"Well, one of them took no notice of my letters beyond stopping sending me the gratis copy of his paper he had been in the habit of sending. Another wrote that the proprietors trusted to the generosity of contributors supporting the 'Great Cause' gratuitously. Still another had the audacity to reply that any request for payment was 'righteously unusual.' That chap seemed to think the compliment of seeing my work in print should be quite as satisfying as a week's provisions. They all stopped the 'complimentary copies' of the papers, too. Perhaps they thought the attention was too encouraging. Luckily, the loss was not much felt. I've no interest whatever in what Brown, Smith, Jones, and Robinson may have to say about facts that were fully recognised and commented upon when men first discovered the way to get drunk, and that's not yesterday."

"But didn't you—yourself—make new moral string out of old preachers' rope?" was Billy's shrewd question. "The old subject's exhausted. Nowadays we can't find out much that's new about Noah's Ark, nor about the doings of Moses, nor even about the first ancient Britons who surprised themselves by finding out the effects of fruit juice in its fermented state."

"No, Billy. Nor was I a discoverer of the sea being salt, either; nor of the fact that the pyramids of Egypt were built some little time before Arabi Pasha's insurrection in that much misruled country. But I was consistent in not condemning what is, perhaps, the very oldest industry and trade in the country—older even than tailoring, for men used stimulants when a chap with nothing on but a sheepskin round his shoulders was a regular dandy. With regard to excessive drinking, I simply put the cap of responsibility on the right heads; namely, those of the men and women who become big consumers, buying too much, and consequently coming to an end too soon. The hotel or tavern proprietor is merely a trade functionary who meets a public demand. But that's not the present question. I want to know why the teetotal people did not pay me for my work?"

"Aye, that's the tickler!" responded Billy. "Still, aren't all these people—mind you, I don't know—editors, orators, and so forth, in the habit of doing their work on the voluntary principle themselves? I always thought there was something philanthropic, solely, in all the endeavours of the teetotal fraternity."

"Hear him!" exclaimed Isaac. "Ye speak of 'voluntary' and 'philanthropic,' indeed! On the contrary, the leaders are well paid—better paid than many a hard-working merchant—out of charitable donations and the profits of publishing ventures. Oh, yes; the publications are in reality profitable. All the members of the various bodies consider it their duty to buy the books and journals for themselves; and sometimes to distribute them among others—also at their own expense."

"They're cheap enough; the sum total of profit would not mean much," said Billy.

"You're wrong there," replied Isaac. "Although some are not extensively circulated, others are. Many of the writers get little or nothing for their work. 'Helping the cause' is said to be the incentive to writing. The majority are satisfied with the gratifying vanity of seeing their names in print."

"Aren't you—excuse me—cutting yourself with your critical severity towards papers to which you're a contributor?" was Billy's question, as he looked rather quizzically at his friend. In conversation Billy was awkwardly fond of putting the critic in the place of the criticised. In this case Isaac Appleton laughed lightly as he replied:

"True, thou guardian of fair play! But my work was somewhat different from the work of others. I was introduced as a professional writer. My stuff was original in so far as any work can be original nowadays. I don't publish my name for the vanity of social consideration.

I publish it as a sign of my taking personally any responsibility that may be connected with the writing to which it is attached. Much of my work, however, has been anonymous. In that case the editors of the T.T. publications have not only withheld the money; they have taken to themselves any commendation the articles may have deserved and received. And some were very favourably noticed. Fancy yourself sitting placidly in company, calmly taking the most generous praise for something you never did!"

"Couldn't manage it, Appleton, my boy," said Billy.

"Well, what I describe has been done to me over and over again by these editors. My opinion is that they never pay for anything, if they can avoid doing so; and that they take a mean advantage of simple and sympathetic helpers—some of them women, too."

"They take the emotional view," said Appleton, smiling. "Men take the constitutional view. A woman writing on such a subject as drinking does not hesitate to sensationalise truth, until she makes a mild case of inebriation a loathsome horror, or an inoffensive convivial meeting a carousal of indescribable monsters. Some good writing ladies depend entirely upon their rather strong imaginative powers for their delineations of the unconventional modes of frail humanity."

"I wonder," said Billy, "to return from women writers to non-paying editors, that a man of your experience and educated observation should continue to be little else than a self-sacrificing accomplice in such a contemptible combination of mutual self-glorifiers."

"Billy, I've now stopped my connection with the fellows," was Appleton's reply. "I don't mind telling folk to keep sober—to take their refreshments reasonably—but I do object to let shame take the money that has been worked for by capable men. I'm not boasting—editors will tell you that I do my work well. And I also object to make traders responsible for the excesses of folk who may have got the 'excess' in private houses previously. Between 'excess' and 'excess,' the publican has a rough time of it. That's my opinion. Teetotalers speak of abolishing public-houses. They might, with equal indifference to other folk's prudent investments, suggest the Government suddenly shutting up the National Debt office, putting a 'gone-away' notice on the door, and starting a new business of the same kind—denying the old connection—under a different name in the next street."

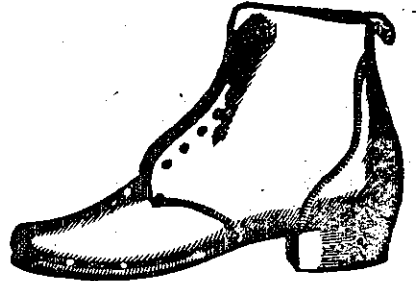
"That would be a sensational 'bolt' and no mistake," said Billy. "And now let's talk of something more sensible and stimulating."

"Yes, let's change E's," replied Appleton. "Abandoning the bores, let's talk of the Boers instead."

And so the conversation took a cheap excursion to the battlefields of the Transvaal. Reporting is unnecessary. The whole nation knows as much about the subject as either Billy Towers or Isaac Appleton. But their views on teetotal trickery are suggestive. — London "L.V. Gazette."

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SOME TRUTHS ABOUT TEMPERANCE.

It appears from the "Proceedings" of the Society for the Study of Inebriety that Dr. Lauzun Brown, of the Royal Victoria Hospital, Netley, recently read a paper before that body. Whether the doctor was called in to curse alcohol is not shown, but it is certain that he remained to bless it, and in the course of his paper he pointed out certain truths which ardent "temperance reformers" are in the habit of ignoring. He said that in all ages and in all countries there has been a fringe of drunkenness to the population, and that the petty minority of drunkards will remain as permanent a feature of nations and communities as the great majority of temperate men endowed with toleration. "True temperance," Dr. Brown contended, "can only exist when it has become part and parcel of the individual or of the national life, and is absolutely incompatible with the lower forms of compulsion, whether they proceed from so-called temperance caucuses or are forced upon the nation by the interference of the legislature." This is a commonsense way of looking at the question. By all means, let every moral influence be brought to bear for the purpose of checking the evil of drunkenness, but fair-minded men will always stand up against what are rightly termed the "lower forms of compulsion." The United Kingdom Alliance and the prohibitionists generally appear to regard with something like contempt the efforts of people who rely upon moral suasion, but these people are doing real and substantial good, while the advocates of compulsion are merely beating the air, and wasting their time and money. As was proved by the general election, a great change will have to come over the nation before it will submit to the despotic methods of the prohibitionists, and those who are genuine reformers and are wise will content themselves with doing the useful work which lies at hand. "All experience of human tendencies and human necessities," said Dr. Brown, "as well as of the intentions of Nature, as deduced from her cornucopia of alcoholic gifts, together with the futility of all attempts to enforce total abstinence on any community, however small—even on the family—goes to prove that universal abstinence is the delusive dream of Utopians." The lecturer did not content himself, however, with pointing out the futility of attempts to force a nation into teetotalism. He had a good deal to say in praise of alcohol when used in moderation, and added that the British nation stands yet where it did among the forces of the earth for feats of arms, in spite of an increasingly greater consumption

of alcoholic beverages. Dr. Brown was especially warm in his references to champagne, dilating upon its delicacy, its aroma, and its refreshing, cooling, stimulating action, making it "the wine for nimble wits." Altogether, the paper was a notable one, and under such auspices, should do something towards the formation of a correct opinion upon a subject in regard to which there has been much misunderstanding and not a little misrepresentation.

LOCAL OPTION IN NEW ZEALAND.

INTERVIEW WITH MR A. SHERWELL.

The temperance problem and its bearing on social reform confront every portion of the Empire—those living beneath the Southern Cross equally with those beneath the Great Bear. Amid the conflict of opinion, sober-minded Englishmen ask for facts before agreeing to any proposed solution of the difficulty in England.

Mr Joseph Rowntree and Mr Arthur Sherwell, in their joint work on the subject, which in twenty months has passed into eight editions, have set temperance reformers by the ears by declaring prohibition to be a failure in America. Sir Wilfred Lawson, according to his comments in the "Daily Chronicle" of November 21 upon Lord William Cecil's sermon in St. Paul's Cathedral, believes, on the other hand, that even England would not stand free trade in liquor. But has local option—rosate descriptions of which have reached us from New Zealand—been really more successful than prohibition? To pursue this inquiry along the lines of getting at facts rather than theories was the purpose of a visit which Mr Arthur Sherwell paid to our Southern Colony this last summer, and from which he has just returned. A "Daily Chronicle" representative had a talk with him concerning his visit.

"What were your predominant impressions in New Zealand?" was the first question put. "Why, the exceeding sparseness of population," was his reply. "New Zealand has only seven persons to the square mile, as compared with 540 in England and Wales; only 25 per cent of her population live in towns, as compared with our 70 per cent. Obviously, therefore, in the matter of local option there is no fair analogy between the two countries. I was also impressed with the strength of the temperance sentiment, and I am inclined to think it is second only to that in Canada."

"How far has local option progressed amongst them?"

"Since 1893 the law has provided that there shall be triennial voting on this subject. Then those men or women who are over twenty-one may vote either for the continuance of the traffic, or for the reduction of the number of licensed premises, or for their total prohibition. For continuance or reduction a majority of votes is sufficient; for total prohibition a three-fifths majority is demanded. Three of these elections have taken place. In the first only one district, Clutha, carried no license. In the second the requisite majority was not secured in any district; even Clutha, through some manoeuvring with the boundaries, failed to get the three-fifths majority. The third and last election took place in December in 1899, and twelve districts gave an absolute majority for prohibition, but Clutha alone presented the necessary three-fifths."

"So much for history; now for the outlook. At present prohibition in New Zealand is in a critical condition, as two days before I left the colony, Mr Seddon, the Premier, gave notice of his intention to introduce a Bill substituting a colonial or national option for local option—a most mischievous proposal, actuated by political expediency. From one point of view it is exceedingly astute, for it aims at making the prohibitionists hoist with their own petard. There can be no doubt that in the development of the political side of the problem in New Zealand the moral is in danger of losing ground. It is recognised that in the present state of public sentiment on the question, national prohibition is impossible, so that the only effect of substituting national option—where the progressive views of one district would be over-ruled by the conservatism of another—would be to put back the hands of the clock."

"But," continued Mr Sherwell, "the problem has yet other aspects in New Zealand. The temperance party is much concerned by a proposal to abolish prohibition in the King Country, a district which represents one of the chief reserves of the Maoris. About 1886 there is no doubt an understanding was arrived at between the Government of the day and the Maori chiefs, that no facilities for the sale of liquor should be granted in the district. But since then the place has been opened to railway enterprise, there has been a considerable immigration of whites, and the Natives themselves have been strongly petitioning for licensed facilities to be granted."

"In the matter of licensing clubs the New Zealanders are distinctly ahead of us. No club can serve alcoholic liquors without a special charter, to be obtained from the Secretary of the colony, for which £5 is charged. These are rarely granted. It is said there has been no new charter granted since 1893."

"Then, what is your general conclusion on the whole matter?" was next the question.

"That any ultimate scheme of reform must include proposals for the public management of the traffic in those areas where the veto is impracticable, that is, in the urban districts, that it shall be under the direct supervision of the central government, and only within clearly defined statutory limits. As to England, both Mr Rowntree and myself are strongly agreed that all schools of temperance reformers should unite in supporting legislation upon the lines of Lord Peel's report, though his proposals are purely preliminary and tentative. Long before the expiration of the time limit, temperance reformers will be contemplating more comprehensive schemes, that must supplement his proposals."—"Daily Chronicle."

TRADE TOPICS.

We note by London trade papers that Messrs W. D. and H. O. Wills, Ltd., of Bristol, have, through their South African agents, sent one million of their famous cigarettes as a Christmas gift to the troops at the front. They received the following telegram of thanks from Lord Roberts, Johannesburg:—"Please accept hearty thanks of self and army for handsome present of cigarettes. They will be greatly appreciated.—Lord Roberts."

The Campbell Ehrenfried Company made a shipment of 150 cases of quarts ale by the "Cornwall" troopship, which recently left here. The notice given for shipping was very short, but the company had the shipment packed and on the wharf in good time. Sending the lot down at one time in seven carts the shipment made an imposing array, and the troopers on the ship lined up and gave the carts three cheers when the beer was alongside the vessel.

In connection with the taking over of that well-known hostelry, Warner's Hotel, Christchurch, by Mr Percy Herman, arrangements have been made for the immediate demolition of the old portion of the hotel, which will be replaced by a brick building up-to-date in every particular, and replete with all modern conveniences. The electric light will be installed throughout the premises, and the building when completed will have all the necessary conveniences of a first-class hotel.

Recently at Greenwich Mr Paul Taylor made some sensible remarks on "permitting drunkenness." "He should decline to hold that the fact of a man being found drunk on licensed premises was a prima facie evidence against a publican of permitting drunkenness. The liquor might have been served to him while he was sober, and have made him drunk. He should want stronger evidence than that before convicting a publican of permitting drunkenness, and he thought magistrates should be very careful to see that publicans should get fair play in cases of this kind. If a man went in sober, and was served with drink which made him drunk, the publican could not be held responsible if he took prompt measures to prevent the man from having more, and to remove him from the premises."

When the Hon. J. McGowan, Minister for Mines, visited Paeroa recently, a deputation from the Ohinemuri County Council, waited on him, Mr Poland, as chairman of finance, drew attention to the excessive cost of the late licensing election, namely, £356. This, he thought, was exorbitant, the unfortunate part being that though the Council had to bear the heavy expense, they had no say whatever in the election. The method of conducting licensing elections was not as it should be, and he asked that the legislation be so amended as to bring the election under the control of the local governing body. The Minister said the cost as far as Ohinemuri was concerned did seem excessive. He then recommended that the grievance be placed in writing, and he said he would bring the matter before the Colonial Secretary. His own opinion was that the local bodies should have control over the elections.

Some time ago orders were given to search the waiters after a Mansion House banquet. All proved to be carpet-baggers. Number one had secured six legs of fowls, evidently for devilling; number two, a Bank of England messenger of over thirty years' standing, had two bottles of port; while number three went in for napkins, which helped to explain how it was, as mentioned by the magistrate before whom they appeared, that thirty-six dozen napkins had in the course of not a very long period been missed from the mansion houses, as well as forty pieces of plate within a twelve month. One can well realise from such facts as these how necessary must be Her Majesty's household police. Hotels, clubs, and private establishments doubtless suffer, each after its kind.

A couple of would-be dictators and evident opponents of the Trade, fell in rather badly over the closing of the hotels on the sad occasion of the day of the funeral of Our late Gracious Majesty the Queen. Both of these whole-souled patriots wrote to the dailies, drawing attention to the fact that the hotels had not signified their intention of closing on that memorable day. Alas! for their ignorant interference with other people's business, the hotelkeepers had already agreed upon a course of action which covered the ground that the eager letter writers attempted to open up. Even in the suburbs the hotels closed up strictly according to agreement, showing that it is not necessary to introduce letters in papers and espionage to make the Trade rise to any occasion.

Mr A. M. Myers, managing director of the Campbell Ehrenfried Company, arrives from London via Suez and Australia early in May.

In a communication recently made to the Agricultural Society of France, M Vaassiere gave an account of a new process of preserving wine from the action of microbes which attack it when in the cask. When the wine is placed in a cask which has been left empty for some time, it is subject to deterioration owing to the action of the different microbes, these being propagated when the wine is in contact with the air. The expedient generally in use consists in burning sulphur in the empty cask to purify. The experimenter proposes to remedy the difficulty by covering the wine with a layer of carbonic acid gas, which, being more dense, drives out the air and takes its place. The carbonic acid is liquified in tubes of chrome steel provided with a reservoir in which it takes the gaseous form before passing into the cask; the reservoir is provided with a rubber tube which descends into the cask, and also with a pressure gauge by whose indications the supply of gas is regulated. By this method very good results have been attained at a small cost.—"W. and S. Gazette."

It is fairly certain that artificially derived sugar is employed in the production of spirits, and the question remains to be answered whether if there were arsenic in the sugar it would pass into the spirit in distillation. All spirits, of course, are distilled. We have this week conducted a simple experiment which shows that arsenious acid does not pass over with spirit: in the still. Indeed, if a spirit contained arsenic, in the form of arsenious acid, the latter could be easily separated in this way. We placed a few ounces of whisky in a small still with about 20 grains of white arsenic, or arsenious acid, and then proceeded to distil the mixture. In spite of the very large poisonous quantity of arsenic in the still, not a trace of arsenic passed over could be detected in the rectified spirit. The whole of the arsenic was left behind. According to this experiment, therefore, no fear need be entertained of arsenic occurring in whisky, thought the poison may be present in the sugar substitute employed. This experiment was undertaken because it had been reported that some of the cases at Manchester and Shoreditch occurred in regard to patients who had not been beer-drinkers but whisky-drinkers.—"Lancet."

The following story is told of prohibition in Clutha.—A professor from the Otago University had rather an unpleasant experience at Otago a few days ago. He was sojourning at a boarding-house, and was aroused in the early morning by the entry of a burly policeman into his sleeping chamber. The minion of the law paid no attention to the professor's protests, but commenced to turn things upside down in a search for liquor, which he evidently suspected had been secreted within the room by the proprietor of the establishment. Now, it so happened that the professor referred to is not averse to a glass of "Scotch," but he likes to be sure of the brand, and had therefore taken a supply with him into the wilds of Prohibition Clutha. This the searcher presently lighted upon in the shape of a case of Thom and Cameron's best, and with an exulting laugh proceeded to annex as part of the spoil of the raid, paying no attention to the professor's vigorous remarks. But the latter was not to be deprived of his whisky in this summary fashion, and with the opening of the telegraph office was made an "appeal to Cæsar" in the person of Inspector Parry. That gentleman evidently took in the situation at a glance, and communicated with his too-zealous subordinates, with the result that restitution was made, and there was one man in Otago able to rise superior to the drought that had set in.

The Public House Trust Company recently formed in London is another proof that the coming reform in the liquor trade is the elimination of private profit. The objection generally urged to the municipal ownership of public houses is that drinking is encouraged to reduce the rates. The new company will not do away with all private profit, because the shareholders will receive a fixed rate of interest on their investments; but all profit left over will be devoted to charitable works. The idea is not new, and indeed the company has been formed mainly on account of the success of the "model public house" wherever it has been established. It will acquire houses throughout England, beginning with London, and in addition to the regular bar trade the sale of food and non-intoxicating drinks will be strongly pushed. Cardinal Vaughan, the Duke of Bedford, the Bishops of Winchester, Chester, Rochester, and Lichfield, Lord Grey and Sir Frederick Pollock are among those directly interested. The truth is that Lord Salisbury's refusal to attack the liquor problem in Great Britain has driven the moderates and many temperance workers to undertake practical reforms on their own account, and if the movement continues to spread at its present rate half the houses in England will soon be run on philanthropic lines. That some reform of the licensing system is urgently needed in the Old Country is beyond doubt, and every land is being searched for a model system. A correspondent of the "Daily Chronicle" asserts that he found the best-conducted houses in the world in Bangor, in the State of Maine. The sale of intoxicants was illegal, but the official directory showed 200 establishments at which drink was sold openly. Once a year the police prosecuted each drink-seller, and the fines went to the city exchequer. The proprietors of well-conducted houses were then left unmolested for another year, but houses that were not thoroughly respectable and well-managed were speedily suppressed.

A pleasing little ceremony recently took place at Ward's Brewery, when Mr T. Barnett, on behalf of the proprietors, presented to Mr O. G. Craddock, who has severed his connection with the firm, and become the landlord of the Eastern Hotel, a substantial gold Albert and pendant. The pendant is inscribed: "In recognition of twenty years' faithful service. From Ward and Co., Limited."



John Woolston, of Utiki, was fined at Mangaweka £25 and £5 with costs, on two charges of sly-grog selling.

For attempting to obtain liquor at the Addington Sale-yards Refreshment Booth, Edward Standering, a prohibited person, was fined 40s and costs at the Christchurch Magistrate's Court.

At the Auckland Police Court Robert J. Galbraith was fined £2 and costs or 14 days hard labour for being found in the Avondale Hotel, during the currency of a prohibition order against him.

On the 21st January at the Dunedin Magistrate's Court, Joseph Biggins, licensee of the Great Northern Hotel, was fined £10 and costs for Sunday trading. On a second information for selling liquor the magistrate held that he was not warranted in convicting.

At the Wellington Police Court Minnie Aldridge was fined £10, with the option of two months' imprisonment, for having committed an aggravated assault on Jane Ormsbee, licensee of the Clyde Quay Hotel.

A large number of cases of Sunday trading were heard in the Melbourne Police Courts after the Christmas holidays. The "Sportsman" says:—"Of a verity the police instituted a busy Christmas crusade among our hotelkeepers."

From the Melbourne "Sportsman" I clip the following:—A case presenting some peculiar "features," owing to the strong likeness of two sisters, was heard at the Fitzroy Court on Wednesday. The police sought to obtain admittance to Patrick Lynch's Gertrude Family Hotel, Gertrude-street. They alleged they were kept waiting five minutes by Miss Dee, sister to Mrs Lynch. That lady, however, swore that she was never near the gate. The Bench, believing that a mistake had been made, dismissed the case. Mr Lynch subsequently donated £1 to the poor box.

According to the "Herald," the following interchanges of courtesies took place at the South Melbourne Court on Friday, between Mr David Gaunson and Inspector M'Gann in a licensing case:—Mr Gaunson: You are a disgrace to the uniform. Inspector M'Gann: You are a disgrace to the profession. Mr Gaunson: The inspector knows as much law as my foot. He is only fit for the asylum. The Inspector: If I drank as much as you I would. Mr Gaunson: You want another jacketing. You ought to have your epaulettes removed. The Inspector (laughing): I am not afraid. Mr Gaunson (winking): It's a pity to have to meet a maniac like you.

At the Kaiapoi Magistrate's Court, before Mr H. S. Wardell, S.M., William Wilson was charged with having supplied liquor to William Christie, a prohibited person. Mr Pappill appeared for accused, and admitted the offence. He explained that Wilson, who was a labourer, did not appear, as he had secured two months' work grass-seeding on the Peninsula. He had a weakness for liquor, and apparently did not realise the gravity of his own offence. Constable Cartmill stated that when accused supplied Christie with the beer he continued drinking and would not work. Since the offence was detected, however, Christie had gone to work. Wilson had been prohibited himself, and therefore knew the wrong he was doing. Accused was fined £2 with costs £1 5s, in default two months' imprisonment. A month was allowed in which to pay the fine.

As the outcome of a disturbance which occurred on January 22nd at the Governor Hotel, Christchurch, Stanley H. Joseph and Henry Kelly were charged before Mr H. W. Bishop, S.M., with having assaulted George Kellar, the son of the licensee. The dispute and subsequent disturbance seems to have arisen owing to a question as to whether or not certain drinks were paid for. After some lengthy evidence had been tendered on both sides His Worship said that the evidence exonerated Kelly altogether, and he would be dismissed. As to the accused Joseph the case was different. An assault with serious results had been committed, but how it had been committed and by whom was for a jury to decide. Joseph was committed for trial, bail being allowed, himself in £25 and one surety of £25.

It would be well if any member of the Trade who may be an aspirant for civic honours would note the question which arose in Adelaide recently. It reads as something of a joke, but there seems to be no joke about it as the Adelaide correspondent of the "Argus" wired that the police court on Tuesday gave its decision in the case of Wm. Jones v. Arthur Ware, in which the former claimed to be mayor of Adelaide on account of an alleged informality in Mr Ware's nominations. The court decided that the office of mayor should be declared vacant, as Mr Ware should have been described as "a licensed victualler" instead of "a gentleman." The information was upheld with costs; but the court could not see that plaintiff had any claim on the mayoralty, and held it was for the city council to take the necessary steps to carry out a fresh election.

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It is not generally known that the Postal authorities have, by instruction of Hon J. G. Ward, abolished the fine known as "double deficient postage."

Mr Percy Herman, who is well-known in Wanganui having been some years host of the Rutland Hotel there, has taken over Warner's Hotel, Christchurch.

Mr M. H. Walsh, lately of the Albion Hotel, has returned from Sydney, and looks none the worse for the hand he took in the Commonwealth celebrations. Rumour has it that Mr Walsh may be in business again before long in our city.

At the next sitting of the Licensing Bench, which takes place at Pukekohe on the 2nd March, James Mackintosh Fraser will apply to have the license of the Kentish Hotel at Waiuku transferred from himself to William Whitcombe.

It is intended (says the "Daily Mail") to give practical effect to the plan of temperance reform recently outlined by the Bishop of Chester, by the incorporation of publichouse trust companies for London and the provinces. The object of these companies will be to acquire every new license which the authorities think it desirable to create, and to apply to the publichouses so acquired, and to existing publichouses whenever possible, a system of administration which will secure that they shall be managed as a trust in the interest of the community, and not for private profit. In the houses managed by the company, says Lord Grey, the provisional chairman, only the best drink that can be obtained in the open market will be sold. It will not be the interest of the manager to push the sale of intoxicants. The publichouses will be refreshment houses, and not merely drinking bars. The surplus profit, after allowing a sufficient sum for depreciation, reserve, and interest not exceeding 5 per cent on invested capital, will be administered by carefully selected trustees for the benefit of the community.

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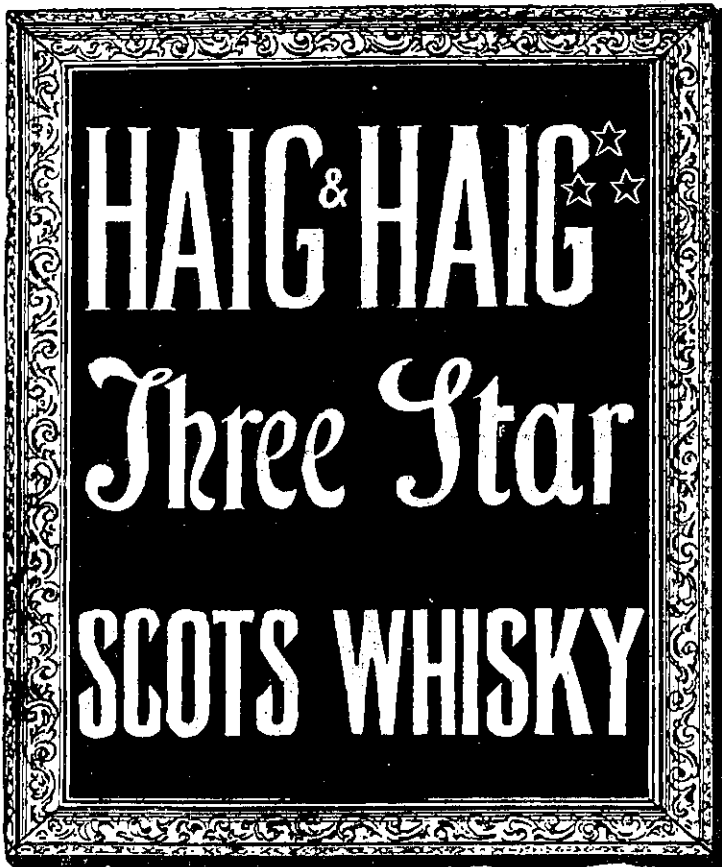
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MR E. J. WARREN has taken over the above where his old friends and new can obtain the
BEST ACCOMMODATION!
Together with the BEST BRANDS OF LIQUORS Obtainable Anywhere.
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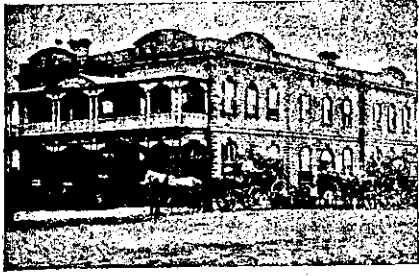
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ANCHOR HOTEL,
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Only the Best Brands of Wines and Spirits kept in Stock. Campbell and Ehrenfried's XXXX Beer on draught.
HOLDROFT'S PRIVATE HOTEL.
LAMBTON QUAY, WELLINGTON.
Captain Holdcroft (late of County Hotel, Stratford), has taken over the above, and will be pleased to see old friends and new.
The Hotel is centrally situated, and a First-class Table is kept at a very moderate tariff.

NEW ZEALAND HOTEL DIRECTORY.

Patronised by Horsemen, Cyclists, Golfers, Sportsmen, and the Theatrical Profession.

AUCKLAND PROVINCE.



CRITERION HOTEL, PAEROA

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Hot, Cold, and Shower Baths. Commodious and well-lighted Sample Rooms. Reading, Smoking, and Billiard Rooms. The Cuisine under superintendence of a thoroughly competent chef. Wines, Spirits, Cigars, etc., of the Best Quality Only. Coaches meet trains and boats at all hours. Letters and telegrams receive prompt attention.

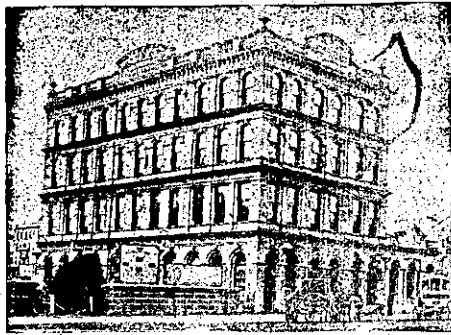


SHAKESPEARE HOTEL

Corner of Wyndham and Albert Streets, AUCKLAND.

Every convenience, combined with civility and comfort, for Country Visitors and Boarders. All Liquors of First Brands. Five minutes walk from Wharf, Railway Station, and G.P.O. Hot, Cold, and Shower Baths. Telephone, No. 598, for the convenience of visitors.

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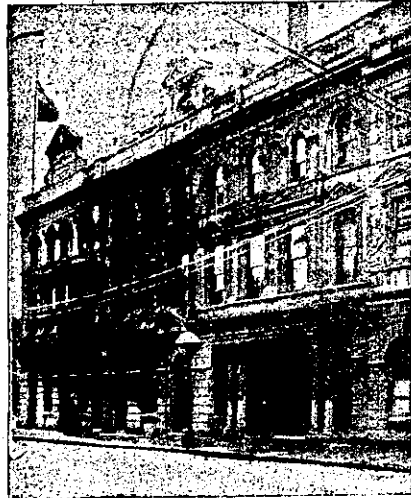
WAVERLEY HOTEL

QUEEN STREET, AUCKLAND.

Near Railway Station, Tram Terminus, the Wharf, Bus Stands

First-class Table d'Hote. Conveyance meets Steamers and Trains. Tariff: 7s per day; £2 2s per week. Telephone 870.

This Hotel has a beautiful view of the Harbour. MAURICE O'CONNOR - Proprietor



IMPERIAL HOTEL

ORT STREET, AUCKLAND.

A First-class Family and Commercial Hotel convenient to all public offices and places of amusement. Letters and Telegrams will receive prompt attention. Telephone Exchange. Sample Rooms. Private Bar. Thos. Cook & Son's Coupons accepted.

W. H. PEARCE - Proprietor and Manager



CRITERION HOTEL

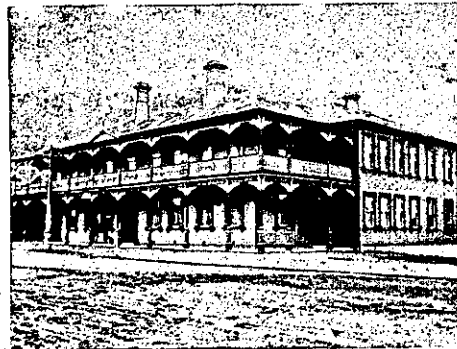
ALBERT STREET, AUCKLAND

The above hotel is within two minutes' walk of Railway Station and Wharf. None but the best Wines and Spirits kept in stock. XXXX Local Beer and Dunedin Beer on tap. This well-known commodious Hotel has just been thoroughly renovated and newly furnished throughout. Every comfort afforded the travelling public. The Sanitary Arrangements of this house are the best in Auckland.

J. MORRISON - PROPRIETOR

HAMILTON HOTEL, HAMILTON, WAIKATO.

J. W. H. BRIGHT - PROPRIETOR



NEW HOTEL, front view



BACK VIEW, showing the river.

Newly Furnished Throughout. Splendid Sites of Apartments for Families. Good Accommodation for Tourists. Furnished Drawing-room for Lady Visitors. Hot and Cold Water Baths. Billiard Room. Good Stabling. Convenient and Well-lighted Sample Rooms for Commercial Travellers. Wines and Spirits of Best Brands. Ales, on draught and in bottle.

GRAND HOTEL

(Opposite Domain), WHITAKER ST., PAEROA.

This house has recently been built, is directly opposite and commands a first-class view of the Domain and picturesque surroundings. The furniture is also brand new and of the latest design. Campbell and Ehrentried's Prize Beer on draught and in bottles. Wines and Spirits of the Best Brands Only. Best Table in the Town.

An additional 18 rooms have been added. P. O'MEAGHER - PROPRIETOR (Late of Lake Hotel, Takapuna)

GRAND HOTEL,

PRINCES-STREET, AUCKLAND.

A. JOHNSTON PROPRIETOR,

Begs to announce that he has secured a long Lease of the above Hotel.

Alterations and Additions now being effected will make this one of the Best Hotels in the Colonies.

Full Particulars in a Future Issue.

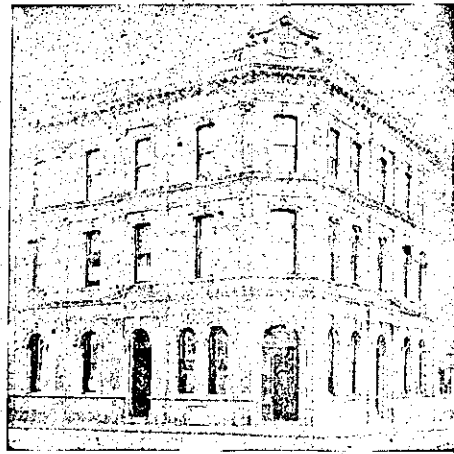
H O W I O K.

Visitors to this Beautiful Spot will find everything of the best at the

MARINE HOTEL,

A. E. BENNETT - PROPRIETOR.

First-class Accommodation. Good Stabling



ALEXANDRA HOTEL

CORNER OF

CHAPEL AND DURHAM STREETS AUCKLAND.

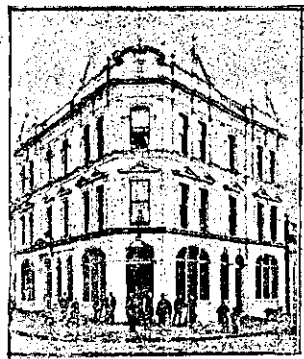
H. H. DYER - Proprietor



ROYAL MAIL HOTEL

VICTORIA STREET, AUCKLAND

A Family and Commercial Hotel. Billiard Room. Sample Rooms. Night Porter in attendance. ROBERT SCOTT - Proprietor



MARKET HOTEL

AUCKLAND.

A. R. DUNN - PROPRIETOR.

ROB ROY HOTEL,

Waihi.

First-class Accommodation for the Travelling Public. COACHES leave the door for Paeroa.

J. FLETT - Proprietor.

TAILOR AND HABIT MAKER

J. CALLAGHAN.

GREY STREET (Opposite Market Hotel)

Makes only

the Newest and most Up-to-date Styles, both in London and American.

STYLE FIT, AND FINISH GUARANTEED

PARK HOTEL, WELLESLEY ST. EAST AUCKLAND.

Opposite Free Library and Albert Park, and within a Minute's Walk of Queen Street. Buses and Trams pass the door for all parts of the town. Best Brands of Wines and Spirits. Splendid Accommodation for Country Visitors.

Good Stabling.

Domain Brewery Pure Beer on Draught. DAVID WALKER - PROPRIETOR.

OCCIDENTAL HOTEL

VULCAN LANE, AUCKLAND.

THE SPORTING RENDEZVOUS

J. W. RUSSELL - PROPRIETOR.

HARRY ELISON

Wants Everyone to Know that he has

taken over the

THISTLE HOTEL, QUEEN STREET, AUCKLAND.

When you desire to "Wet your Whistle," Just Call for Harry at the Thistle.

ALBERT HOTEL

QUEEN ST., AUCKLAND,

Most Central Position in the City.

PRIVATE SUITES FOR FAMILIES. SAMPLE ROOMS.

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(Late of Union S.S. Co.)

CRITERION HOTEL, OTAHUHU

The Best Wines, Spirits, Beers, and Cigars.

ALL THE COMFORTS OF A HOME, AND A GOOD TABLE KEPT.

Charges Reasonable, and Civility the Rule of the House.

COMMODIOUS STABLES. GOOD PADDOCKS. BILLIARDS

W. ABBOTT - PROPRIETOR.



BAIN'S COMMERCIAL HOTEL, OPITONUI.

This Large and Commodious Hotel has recently been built, and newly furnished throughout.

TRAVELLERS AND VISITORS

Will find Every Convenience, Civility, and Attention.

ONLY THE BEST BRANDS OF WINES SPIRITS, ALES, ETC., KEPT

E. T. BAIN - PROPRIETOR.



STAR & GARTER HOTEL,

THE PREMIER HOUSE OF COROMANDEL.

MICHAEL CORCORAN - PROPRIETOR.

(Late of the Northern Waikato Hotel.)

SAMPLE ROOM FREE TO ALL COMMERCIAL TRAVELLERS

SPRIGT'S DUNEDIN BEER ALWAYS ON DRAUGHT!

NIGHT PORTER IN ATTENDANCE.

ALL COMMUNICATIONS PROMPTLY ATTENDED TO.

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AUCKLAND PROVINCE.—Continued.



ELLERSLIE HOTEL, ELLERSLIE (Close to Racecourse).

Best Brands Wines & Spirits. Alongside Railway Station, and within easy distance of Auckland. GOOD STABLING.

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LEADING HOTEL OF THE OHINEMURI DISTRICT.

ROYAL MAIL HOTEL, PAEROA. S. J. ATKINS, late U.S.S. CO., Proprietor. Coaches leave from the Hotel for Thames, Karangahake, Waikino, Waitekauri, Waihi, Katikati, and Tauranga, and daily trains and steamers. Table a Specialty. Telegrams promptly attended to.

PACIFIC HOTEL, BROWN AND ALBERT STREETS, THAMES.

Tourists and Commercial Gentlemen will find every convenience, combined with civility and attention, at the Pacific Hotel. Cabs and Expresses meet every boat and train. Bath Rooms, Sitting Rooms, Billiard Room, and well-lighted Sample Rooms. This Hotel is situated alongside the Thames Railway Station.

MRS WINTER.....PROPRIETRESS.

STAR HOTEL, Karangahape Rd., NEWTON, Opposite Parnsey Reservoir.

FINEST BRANDS OF BEERS, WINES, AND SPIRITS. JAMES McLEOD - Proprietor

WAIPA HOTEL, NGARUAWAHIA (Close to the Railway Station).

Best Brands of Wines and Spirits only kept. FIRST-CLASS ACCOMMODATION. Hot and Cold Baths. Good Billiard Table. Coach leaves for Waingaro Hot Springs twice a week. P. GUTHRIE - PROPRIETOR.



MASONIC HOTEL, CAMBRIDGE VICTOR COENAGA

(Late of the Britomart Hotel, Auckland). Has pleasure in informing the inhabitants of Cambridge and surrounding district that he has purchased the Freehold of the above well-known Hotel, and intends to personally conduct the business.

The Hotel has been thoroughly renovated, and is being HANDSOMELY FURNISHED, and made as comfortable and convenient as any hotel outside of Auckland.

None but the BEST SPIRITS AND ALES stocked, and patrons calling on me are guaranteed the same satisfaction as I gave in Auckland

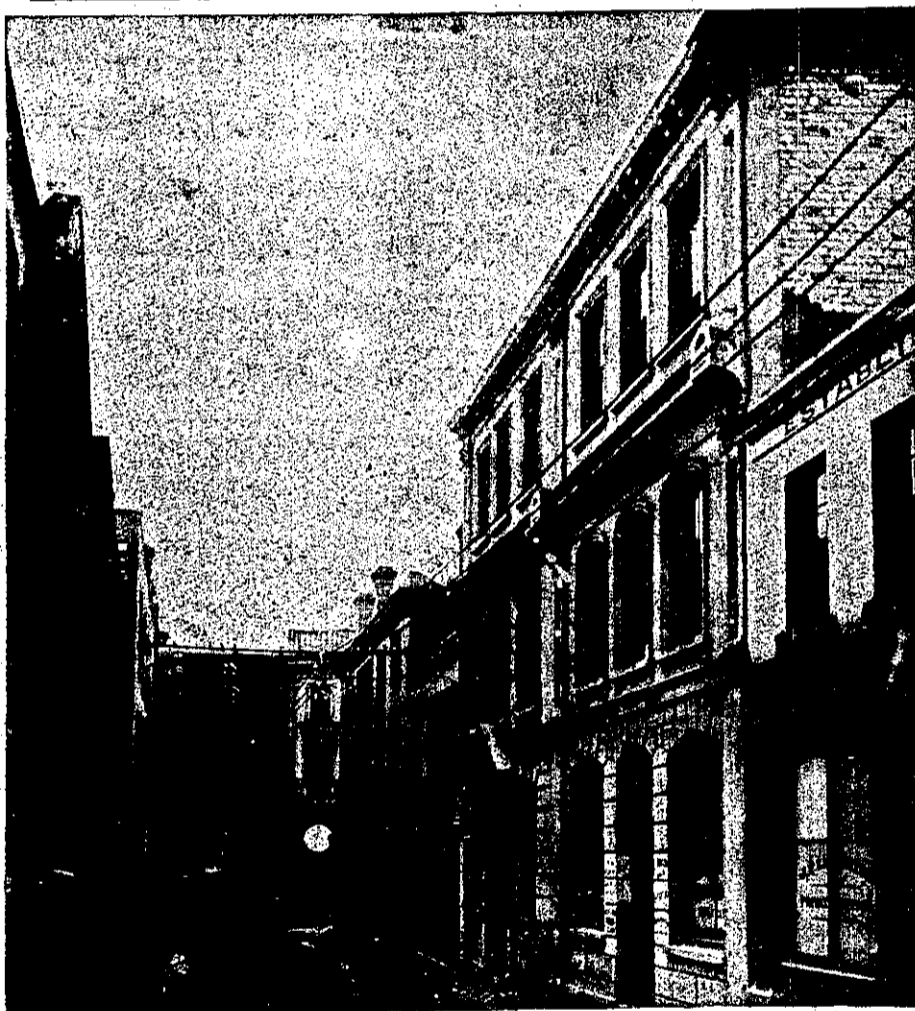
SOUTHERN AND AUCKLAND BEER ON TAP.

VICTOR COENAGA - PROPRIETOR

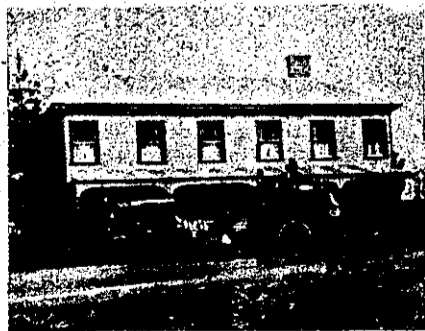


TELEPHONE 490 P.O. BOX 865.

CENTRAL HOTEL, Victoria Street East, Auckland; JAMES ROLLESTON - Proprietor (LATE OF HIKURANGI AND COROMANDEL.)



KIDD'S COMMERCIAL HOTEL, SHORTLAND AND HIGH STREETS, AUCKLAND.



MACKAYTOWN HOTEL, KARANGAHAKE

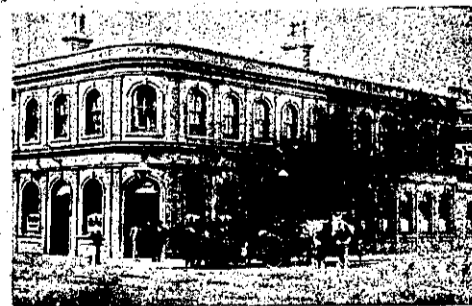
Travellers passing this hotel cannot do better than stop and taste the liquor kept by Mr Priston. All the latest sporting information may be had here, and members of all the athletic, football, cricket, and cycling clubs congregate here. The best of accommodation for travellers, and the table is excellent.

HARRY PRISTON .. PROPRIETOR.

PAPAKURA HOTEL, PAPAKURA

Notice to Cyclists, Footballers, and others.—Your old friend Thos. McEwin has taken the above Hotel, and will be pleased to see all old faces. Splendid Accommodation and Cuisine. Large Rooms for use of Clubs.

THOS. McEWIN - PROPRIETOR.



BRITOMART HOTEL, AUCKLAND (Custom and Gore Streets).

Best Brands of Wines and Spirits. Excellent accommodation for Visitors and Boarders. Cuisine of the Best. J. MCLLOY .. Proprietor.

QUEEN'S FERRY HOTEL

VULCAN LANE, AUCKLAND.

BEST WINES AND SPIRITS.

W. STIMPSON - PROPRIETOR.

WAIORONGOMAI HOTEL.

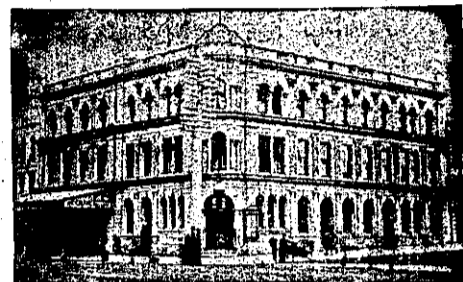
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FIRST-CLASS ACCOMMODATION FOR TRAVELLERS. WINES & SPIRITS, Best Brands Only.

W. DYER .. Proprietor

JUNCTION HOTEL EPSOM

This well-known business house is situated on the road to Ellerslie and Onehunga, and is the principal place of call for Cyclists, Tourists, and portmen. Best Brands of Everything Kept. Good Accommodation for Boarders. W. J. BREWIN ... PROPRIETOR.



WAIITEMATA HOTEL, AUCKLAND CORNER OF QUEEN AND CUSTOMS STS.

All Home Comforts. First-class Wines and Spirits. Good Beds. Meals at all hours. Night Porter in attendance. Telephone, No. 580.

JOHN ENDEAN - Proprietor.



HOBSON HOTEL, AUCKLAND Corner of Hobson and Victoria Sts.

Wines and Spirits of Best Quality. M. FOLEY - PROPRIETOR.

TERMINUS HOTEL, ONEHUNGA

This old-established and centrally-situated Hotel has been thoroughly renovated and refurnished, and affords

EXCELLENT ACCOMMODATION FOR VISITORS.

Trams and Buses Stop at door, and within two minutes' walk of wharf.

THE PRINCIPAL HOUSE OF STOPPAGE FOR CYCLISTS, HUNTSMEN, ETC.

MRS S. SARAH - PROPRIETRESS.

WHANGAREI HOTEL, WHANGAREI.

SAMUEL McMAHON, PROPRIETOR.

This fine House, just re-built in brick and furnished in up-to-date style, now offers unrivalled accommodation to the travelling public. Sample Room Hot and Cold Baths. Two Minutes Walk from Saltwater Bathing Place. Stabling Second to None.

Best Wines, Ales, and Spirits Kept in Stock.

AURORA HOTEL, AUCKLAND VICTORIA-STREET, WEST.

First-class accommodation for Boarders Billiards. Wines and Spirits of the Best Brands only kept in Stock.

J. J. DONOVAN - PROPRIETOR. TELEPHONE 770

ROYAL HOTEL, RAGLAN.

Favourite Seaside Resort for Families and Tourists. Fishing, Boating, Bathing. Good accommodation. Reasonable charges. First-class Billiard Table. Boats and Buggies on Hire. Private bathing house for Boarders. Best Brands of Spirits and Ales only. M. HALL..... PROPRIETRESS

NEW ZEALAND HOTEL DIRECTORY.—Continued.

PATRONISED BY HORSEMEN, CYCLISTS, GOLFERS, SPORTSMEN, AND THE THEATRICAL PROFESSION.

AUCKLAND PROVINCE—Continued

HAURAKI HOTEL. WAITEKAURI (Under Entirely New Management).

FIRST-CLASS ACCOMMODATION

Best Brands Only of Wines and Spirits Kept.

Cuisine under the personal supervision of Mrs Draffin.

SAMUEL DRAFFIN - PROPRIETOR.

EDINBURGH CASTLE HOTEL

Upper Symonds Street (Opposite Kyber Pass), Auckland.

SECCOMBE'S XXXX BEER.

Every Convenience, combined with Civility and Comfort, for Country Visitors and Boarders.

FIRST-CLASS BILLIARD ROOM.

GOOD STABLING.

P. QUINLAN - PROPRIETOR.

CALEDONIAN HOTEL CORNER OF SYMOND STREET AND KARANGAHAPE ROAD, NEWTON.

ALL LIQUORS OF FIRST BRANDS.

W. McMANUS - PROPRIETOR (Late of Star Hotel, Otahuhu).

J. M. & J. MOWBRAY (ESTABLISHED 1868).

STOCK AND SHAREBROKERS HOUSE, LAND, AND ESTATE AGENTS HOTEL BROKERS AND VALUATORS

22 SHORTLAND STREET (Next Star Office).

BRIDGE HOTEL, KAUKAPAKAPA (Few minutes' walk from Railway Station).

The above Hotel, which has been newly Furnished throughout, offers First-class Accommodation, and a Table second to none in the North. Good Stabling and Paddock. Buggies and Saddle Horses for hire. Conveyances kept to convey parties to and from all trains.

Seccombe's Draught Beer of Best Quality, and Choice Wines, and Spirits. First-class Billiard Table.

MICHAEL LENNAN ... PROPRIETOR.

KAUKAPAKAPA HOTEL, KAUKAPAKAPA.

This excellent hotel offers the Best Accommodation for Travellers, Theatrical Companies, etc.

Best Wines, Spirits, Ales, and Cigars in Stock. First-class Billiard Table. Meals Served at the Shortest Notice.

H. B. MELTON ... PROPRIETOR.

RAILWAY HOTEL MERCER

This Hotel has been rebuilt, and is now replete with every comfort and convenience for the travelling public. It is close to the Railway Station, and all trains stay at Mercer twenty minutes.

MEALS ALWAYS READY. GOOD STABLING & LOOSE BOXES. EXCELLENT SHOOTING in the District.

The Travelling Public will find a stay at Mercer a convenient break in the monotonous journey to Rotorua.

E. HALLETT - PROPRIETOR

MASONIC HOTEL, TAUBANGA.

Having taken over the above well-known Hotel, which is now replete with every comfort and convenience, I shall be glad to see all old friends and new.

Commercial Gentlemen and Tourists will find here every requisite Coaches call here daily for all the surrounding townships.

FIRST-CLASS SAMPLE ROOM.

SPEIGHTS BEER ALWAYS ON DRAUGHT.

THE ONLY FREE HOUSE IN THE TOWN

J. McLENNAN - Proprietor



GOVERNOR BROWNE HOTEL, HOBSON-STREET, AUCKLAND, NEW ZEALAND.

Five minutes' walk from the Post Office.

A. SCHULTZE PROPRIETOR.

This well-known Hotel has been thoroughly Renovated and Re furnished throughout.

Every Modern Comfort and Convenience for Tourists, Travellers and Families.

FIRST-CLASS BILLIARD TABLE.

WINES AND SPIRITS OF THE BEST BRANDS ONLY.

TELEPHONE 1,153.

TERMS MODERATE

DONOVAN, KAIPARA HOTEL, (The Sporting House of Helensville) HELENSVILLE.

Excellent Accommodation. Best Brands of Wines and Spirits. Good Stabling and Paddock for Horses.

COMMERCIAL HOTEL, WHANGAREI.

D. MCKAY (Late of Settlers),

Having taken over the above Hotel, has increased the accommodation and renovated the Premises throughout. Customers can rely on EVERY COMFORT AND ATTENTION.

The Best Brands of Wines and Spirits kept in Stock. Ample Sample Rooms for Commercial Travellers Good Billiard Table.

Stable Accommodation Superior to anything North of Auckland.

THE CAPTAIN COOK HOTEL, KHYBER PASS, AUCKLAND.

Mrs F. E. Hamilton, late of the Royal Hotel, Hamilton, begs to intimate to her Waikato friends that she has taken the above Hotel, where visitors will find every comfort and convenience.

ST. HELIERS BAY HOTEL. BEST BRANDS OF WINES, SPIRITS, AND CORDIALS &c.

HANCOCKS' SPARKLING ALES AND LAGER BEER.

Good Table Every Accommodation and Attendance, Civility, and Cleanliness.

BOATING, BATHING, FISHING, STABLING.

TARIFF—From 5s per Day and 30s per Week.

Also, THE "FAIRY BOWER" DINNING AND REFRESHMENT ROOMS & SHADES.

Lavatory for Ladies and Children.

Dinners, Teas, Suppers, etc., on Short Notice. Tea, Coffee, Cocoa. Milk twice daily. Best Fresh Butter twice weekly. Fresh Pastry daily. Confectionary. Fresh cut Ham Sandwiches. Fruit in Season. Smokers' Requisites. Four Busses Daily. Groceries, Vegetables. Coal and Coke Supplied.

J. E. O'LEARY - PROPRIETOR.

EPSOM HOTEL.

GEORGE LORAM.....PROPRIETOR (Late of Ellerslie and Opitoni).

Wines and spirits of the best quality. Excellent accommodation for boarders and travellers The Cyclists' Rest. Good stabling. The proprietor invites all his old friends to call, and will extend a cordial welcome.

WELLINGTON PROVINCE.

THE NAG'S HEAD HOTEL, Cuba Street, Wellington.

Near the Opera House; Electric Bell rings in ear three minutes prior to rising of curtain. Best Brands of Ales, Wines, Spirits, etc., only kept in stock.

J. S. PALMER - PROPRIETOR.

POST OFFICE HOTEL, Wellington.

Best Dinner for One Shilling in the Antipodes. McCarthy's, Staple's, and Speight's Beer.

E. WILSON - Proprietor.

POST-OFFICE HOTEL, FOXTON

W. DARVILL - PROPRIETOR.

Excellent Accommodation. Best Brands of Wines and Spirits. Dunedin Ales on Tap.

IN PASSING THROUGH PALMERSON NORTH

Don't Forget to Call on WALTER FREEMAN, Proprietor of

RAILWAY REFRESHMENT ROOMS AND DINING CARS.

IMPERIAL HOTEL, CUBA STREET, WELLINGTON.

Best Wines, Spirits, etc. Staples XXXX Ale on Draught. Trams pass door every 10 minutes.

J. G. PYKE - PROPRIETOR (Late of the Cambridge Hotel).

OCCIDENTAL HOTEL, MASTERTON

The Sporting House of Masterton. Only CASH Spirits Sold. Best Dunedin Ales on Tap.

CHARLES CRESS - PROPRIETOR (Late of Greytown and Wellington).

COMMERCIAL HOTEL (Late Ranfurly) LAMBTON QUAY, WELLINGTON.

FRANK SMITH & MRS MASTERS, having purchased the lease of the above Hotel, the proprietors beg to announce to the Travelling and Commercial Public that no effort will be spared in catering for their requirements and comfort. Hot, Cold, and Shower Baths, Only Best Brands of Liquors kept. Tariff, 4s 6d per day.

DENNIS'S HOTEL (Late Barrett's).

LAMBTON QUAY WELLINGTON, Next Exchange Building and one minutes' walk from Queen's Wharf.

This Hotel, having been thoroughly renovated and re-furnished, offers excellent accommodation to the travelling public and permanent boarders. Hot, cold, and shower baths. Wines and spirits of the best quality. Dunedin ales on draught. Telephone 1076.

GEORGE DENNIS.....PROPRIETOR.

COMMERCIAL HOTEL, LAMBTON QUAY, WELLINGTON. A. I. MASTERS

Begs to inform his friends and the public generally that he has taken possession of the above well known and centrally situated Hotel. COMFORTABLE ACCOMMODATION FOR BOARDERS REST BRANDS OF WINES AND SPIRITS. STAPLES' XXXX Always on Tap. Telephone, No. 1078.

BRITANNIA HOTEL, WILLIS STREET WELLINGTON.

MRS NAT NATHAN, of the Marine Parade, Napier, having purchased this hotel, will be pleased to see all her old and also new friends. All departments will be under my sole supervision. Civility and attention to all. Best brands of wines, spirits and ales only kept.

MRS NAT NATHAN - PROPRIETRESS.

FIELDING HOTEL, KIMBOLTON ROAD, FIELDING.

Under Patronage of His Excellency Lord Ranfurly.

This favourite hostelry has been renovated and refurnished throughout. Private and Public Drawing Rooms upstairs en suite. First-class Billiard Room. The most commodious Sample Rooms between Wellington and Wanganui. The Cuisine is under the supervision of an experienced cook. Noted for best Wines, Spirits, and Beers of any house on the Coast. The Fielding Club have rooms at the above Hotel.

Superior stable accommodation, with groom in charge.

MARTEA HASTIE - Proprietress. W. DICKSON - Manager.

DEVINE'S MARTON HOTEL, North Broadway, Marton.

First-class Accommodation for Boarders and the Travelling Public. Special attention directed to Cyclists and Tourists.

Hot, Cold, and Shower Baths.

Note: Having had considerable experience in the Wine and Spirit trade, customers can rely on being supplied with nothing but the Best of Wines and Spirits. All Meals, 1s.

W. DEVINE - PROPRIETOR (Late of Maginnity's, Wine Merchant, Wellington)

METROPOLITAN HOTEL, MOLESWORTH STREET, WELLINGTON (Close to the House of Parliament).

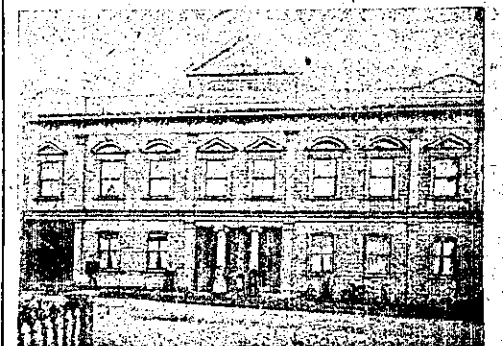
WILLIAM McLEOD & MRS LEGG, PROPRIETORS

(Late of the s.s. Rotomahana).

Mr McLeod and Mrs Legg, having purchased the above hotel, intend running the house in up-to-date style. The public can rely upon being supplied with the

BEST LIQUORS, COMFORTABLE BEDROOMS, AND FIRST-CLASS TABLE.

First-class Billiard Table. Terms Moderate. Telephone 1036.



PRIVATE HOTEL, MRS McLEARY.....PROPRIETRESS.

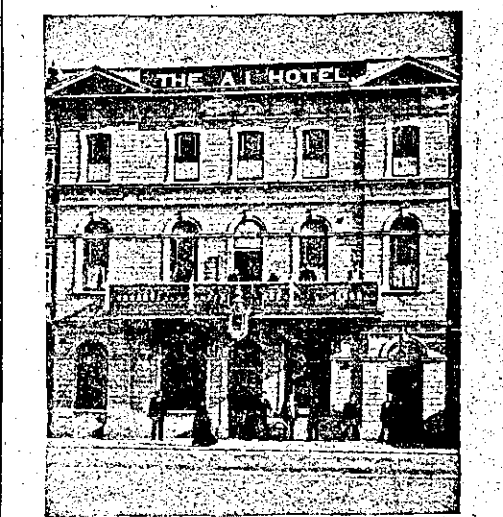
Late Matron of the Ohio Home. The above Private Hotel contains upwards of fifty rooms, well and tastefully furnished, and is well-known to travellers and permanent boarders as being a first-class hostelry, and conducted on up-to-date system. Good table, large and lofty rooms, which include a billiard room for the comfort of visitors and permanent boarders.

Terms on Application. PLEASE NOTE THE ADDRESS—

MRS McLEARY, PRIVATE HOTEL,

INGESTRE-STREET, WELLINGTON.

Telephone 334.—All wires receive prompt attention.



THE AL HOTEL (Late Queen's), LAMBTON QUAY, WELLINGTON.

A. GREENWOOD - PROPRIETOR.

A. GREENWOOD, having purchased the lease of the above hotel, has had the whole premises renovated, remodelled, decorated, and fitted up in the most modern style. Best Brands of Wines, Spirits, and Ales only kept.

THIS TLE INN, Opposite Government Railway Station, WELLINGTON.

JAMES KEENEY.....Proprietor

Begs to inform his Friends from the West Coast and the Public generally, that he has taken over this well-known Hotel, where he is prepared to cater for all their requirements. Visitors to the Empire City will find excellent accommodation and a well-kept table, Luncheon daily from 12 to 2. Special terms for Boarders. Best brands of Ales, Wines, and Spirits only kept. Trams pass the door every ten minutes. Telephone, No. 1198.

WELLINGTON—Continued.

ORIENTAL HOTEL, WILLIS STREET, WELLINGTON.

MRS WATSON - PROPRIETRESS.

This old and favorite hotel is admirably adapted for Boarders and Visitors to the City, being Centrally Located, and Close to Trains and Shipping.

Every Comfort and Convenience, combined with Civility and Attention, will be found at the Oriental. Moderate Terms.

Best of Wines, Spirits, and Ales only kept in Stock.

Your patronage solicited. Lunch Daily from 12 to 2. Telephone No. 863.

VISITORS TO THE EMPIRE CITY Should Visit THE TROCADERO RESTAURANT.

Meals at any hour of the day. Grills, Fish, and Oysters. Luncheon from 12 till 2 o'clock. The establishment is open from 6.30 a.m. to 12 p.m. Meals from 1s.

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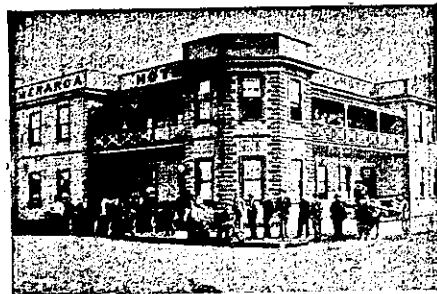
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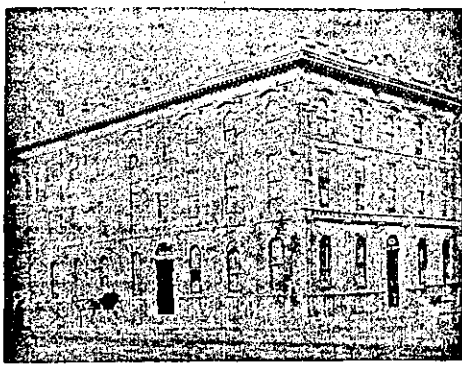
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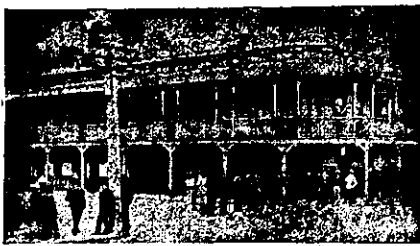
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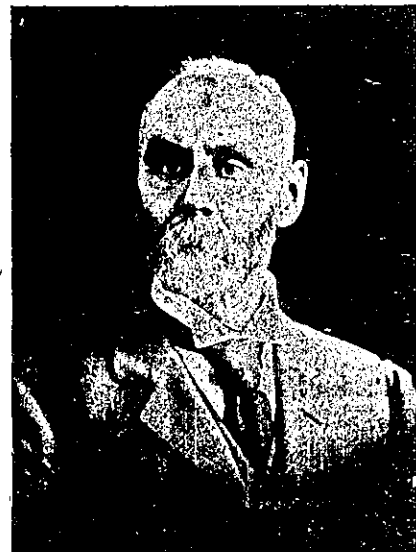
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