

Hurdles 1sov, Avondale Handicap 3sovs, Chevalier Steeplechase Handicap 1sov, Railway Handicap 1sov, Titirangi Welter Handicap 1sov.

THURSDAY, APRIL 23, by 9 p.m.

ACCEPTANCES.—Waikumete Handicap Hurdles 1sov, Welter Handicap 1sov, Nursery Handicap 1sov, Autumn Handicap 2sovs, Mount Eden Handicap Steeplechase 1sov, Dominion Handicap 1sov, Mount Roskill Handicap 1sov, Waitakeri Handicap 1sov.

DATES ON WHICH HANDICAPS APPEAR.

MONDAY APRIL 13 (ON OR ABOUT).

HANDICAPS.—Maiden Plate Handicap, Juvenile Handicap, Oakley Handicap, Handicap Maiden Hurdles, Avondale Handicap, Chevalier Steeplechase Handicap, Railway Handicap, Titirangi Welter Handicap.

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HARRY H. HAYR, Secretary.

FEILDING JOCKEY CLUB.

EASTER MEETING, MONDAY AND TUESDAY, APRIL 13 AND 14, 1914.

FIRST DAY.

MONDAY APRIL 13, 1914.

- 1. WAIATA HACK of 100sovs; second 20sovs, third 10sovs out of the stake. For two-year-olds and upwards that have never won a race exceeding 30sovs in value at time of starting. Weight, 8.0. Nom. 1 sov, accept. 1sov. Five furlongs and a-half.

SECOND DAY.

TUESDAY, APRIL 14, 1914.

- 1. AWAHURI HACK WELTER (HANDICAP) of 100sovs; second 20sovs, third 10sovs out of the stake. Min. weight, 7.7. Nom. 1sov, accept. 1 sov. Seven furlongs.

PENALTIES.

FLAT RACES.—The winner of any flat race exceeding 30sovs in value after declaration of weights to carry a penalty of 10lb, and of every additional race a further penalty of 6lb. Horses handicapped at 8.10 or over to carry only half the above penalties.

HURDLE RACES.—The winner of any hurdle race after the declaration of weights to carry a penalty of 10lb in the hurdle races, and for every additional race 7lb extra. Owners are responsible for all penalties and allowances.

DATES OF NOMINATIONS AND ACCEPTANCES, WITH AMOUNTS TO BE TRANSMITTED THEREWITH.

N.B.—All Entries, Nominations and Acceptances close at the Secretary's Office, MacArthur Street, Feilding, at 3.30 p.m., unless otherwise stated.

FRIDAY, MARCH 20.

NOMINATIONS.—Waiata Hack 1sov, Mangaone Stakes 1sov, Kawa Kawa Hurdles 1sov, Taonui Hack Hurdles 1 sov, Feilding Cup 1sov, Onepuhi Hack Welter 1sov, Ongo Hack 1sov, Halcombe Welter 1sov, Denbigh Stakes 1sov, Awahuri Hack Welter 1sov, Kimbolton Hurdles 1sov, Oroua Hack Hurdles 1sov, Easter Handicap 1sov, Rewa Hack Handicap 1sov, Maiden Scurry 1sov, Makino Welter 1sov.

SATURDAY, APRIL 4.

ACCEPTANCES.—Waiata Hack 1sov, Mangaone Stakes 3sovs, Kawa Kawa Hurdles 2sovs, Taonui Hack Hurdles 1 sov, Feilding Cup 5sovs, Onepuhi Hack Welter 1sov, Ongo Hack 1sov, Halcombe Welter 2sovs. Also for Maiden Scurry (Second Day) 1sov.

ACCEPTANCES for Second Day's Events as under will close on the night of the First Day's Races, with the Secretary, at his Office, Feilding, at 9 p.m.

Denbigh Stakes 2sovs, Awahuri Hack Welter 1sov, Kimbolton Hurdles 2sovs, Oroua Hack Hurdles 1sov, Easter Handicap 4sovs, Rewa Hack Handicap 1sov, Makino Welter 2sovs.

HANDICAPS will be declared as follows:—First Day, Saturday, March 28; Second Day, Monday, April 13.

N.B.—The Committee reserve the right to alter the dates of entry, acceptance, etc., prior to closing, also the dates on which handicaps appear, should they deem fit to do so. EDM. GOODBEHERE, Secretary.

MASTERTON RACING CLUB.

AUTUMN MEETING,

To be held on the Masterton Racecourse Opaki on

THURSDAY AND FRIDAY,

APRIL 2 AND 3, 1914.

FIRST DAY,

THURSDAY, APRIL 2, 1914.

- 1. MAIDEN HACK RACE (Weight-for-age) of 75sovs; second horse 10sovs, and third horse 5sovs from stakes. Entry 30s. Five furlongs.

SECOND DAY,

FRIDAY, APRIL 3, 1914.

- 1. GRANDSTAND HACK HANDICAP of 100sovs; second horse 10sovs, and third horse 5sovs from stakes. Nomination 20s, acceptance 30s. Seven furlongs.

8. ELECTRIC HACK HANDICAP of 85 sovs; second horse 10sovs, and third horse 5sovs from stakes. Nomination 20s, acceptance 20s. Five furlongs.

NOMINATIONS, WEIGHTS AND ACCEPTANCES.

NOMINATIONS for all events (except the Maiden Hack Race) close with the Secretary at his office, Queen-street, Masterton, on FRIDAY, March 6, 1914, at 10 p.m.

WEIGHTS for the First Day's Races will be declared on MONDAY, March 16, 1914, and for the Second Day's Races at the Secretary's Office, Masterton, on THURSDAY, April 2, 1914, at 8 p.m.

ACCEPTANCES for the First Day's Races and Entries for the Maiden Hack Race close with the Secretary at his Office, Queen-street, Masterton, on FRIDAY, March 27, 1914, at 10 p.m., and for the Second Day's Races on THURSDAY, April 2, 1914, at 9 p.m.

A. HATHAWAY, Secretary.

RANGITIKEI RACING CLUB.

BULLS.

To be held on the Bulls Racecourse on WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY,

MARCH 25 AND 26, 1914.

PROGRAMME:

FIRST DAY,

To start at 12 noon.

- 1. SCOTT MEMORIAL HANDICAP (Open) of 100sovs; second 10sovs, third 5sovs from the stake. Nom. 1sov, accept. 1sov. Six furlongs.

SECOND DAY,

To start at 12 noon.

- 1. CLIFTON HANDICAP (Open) of 90 sovs; second 10sovs, third 5sovs from the stake. Nom. 1sov, accept. 1sov. Five furlongs.

NOMINATIONS for All Events, including the Maiden Hack Handicap, close TUESDAY, Feb. 24, at 9 p.m.

WEIGHTS First Day's Events, including Maiden Hack Handicap Race, declared MONDAY, March 16, and for the Second Day's Events at the Office of the Club at 7.30 p.m. on the Evening of the First Day's Races.

ACCEPTANCES for First Day's Events, including Maiden Hack Handicap, will close with the Secretary at the Office of the Club, Bulls, on FRIDAY, March 20, and for the Second Day's Events on the Evening of the First Day's Races.

PENALTIES.

The winner of any race after the declaration of weights may be re-handicapped by the handicapper.

RULES AND REGULATIONS.

- 1. Description, age, pedigree and name of trainers must accompany all Nominations.

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FIRST DAY,

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1st, 1914.

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MANGERE HANDICAP (Harness) of 75sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs, and third horse 5sovs each from the stake. For horses that have not won at better than 2.32 to the mile. Limit, 4min. Nomination 25s, acceptance 30s. Distance, one mile and a-half.

ALEXANDRA HANDICAP (Harness) of 250sovs; second horse to receive 35sovs, and third horse 15sovs each from the stake. Limit, 4.50. Nomination 2½sovs, acceptance 4sovs. Distance, two miles.

EASTER HANDICAP (Saddle) of 115 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs, and third horse 5sovs each from the stake. Limit, 5.54. Nomination 1½sovs, acceptance 2sovs. Distance, two miles.

HOBBSON HANDICAP (Harness) of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs, and third horse 5sovs each from the stake. Limit, 3.45. Nomination 1½sovs, acceptance 1½sovs. Distance, one mile and a-half.

STEWARDS' TROT HANDICAP (Harness) of 150sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs, and third horse 10 sovs each from the stake. FOR TROTTING HORSES ONLY. Limit, 3.50. Nomination 2sovs, acceptance 2½sovs. Distance, one mile and a-half.

CORNWALL HANDICAP (Saddle) of 150sovs; second horse to receive 20 sovs, and third horse 10sovs each from the stake. Limit, 2.22. Nomination 2sovs, acceptance 2½sovs. Distance, one mile.

MARCONI HANDICAP (Harness) of 100sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs, and third horse 5sovs each from the stake. Limit, 2.30. Nomination 1½sovs, acceptance 1½sovs. Distance, one mile.

SECOND DAY,

SATURDAY, APRIL 4th, 1914.

MEMBERS' HANDICAP TROT (Harness) of 75sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs, and third horse 5 sovs each from the stake. For horses that have not won at better than 2.36 to the mile. Limit, 4.9. FOR TROTTING HORSES ONLY. Nomination 25s, acceptance 30s. Distance, one mile and a-half.

MANUKAU HANDICAP (Saddle) of 75 sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs, and third horse 5sovs each from the stake. For horses that have not won at better than 2.32 to the mile. Limit, 4min. Nomination 25s, acceptance 30s. Distance, one mile and a-half.

LIVERPOOL HANDICAP (Harness) of 250sovs; second horse to receive 35 sovs, and third horse 15sovs each from the stake. Limit, 4.50. Nomination 2½sovs, acceptance 4sovs. Distance, two miles.

AUTUMN HANDICAP (Saddle) of 115 sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs, and third horse 5sovs each from the stake. Limit, 4.54. Nomination 1½ sovs, acceptance 2sovs. Distance, two miles.

ADAMS' MEMORIAL HANDICAP (Harness) of 100sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs, and third 5sovs each from the stake. Limit, 3.45. Nomination 1½sovs, acceptance 1½sovs. Distance, one mile and a-half.

HILL TROT HANDICAP (Harness) of 125sovs; second horse to receive 15 sovs, and third horse 10sovs each from the stake. FOR TROTTING HORSES ONLY. Limit, 5.6. Nomination 2sovs, acceptance 2sovs. Distance, two miles.

BARN HANDICAP (Harness) of 175 sovs; second horse to receive 25sovs, and third 15sovs each from the stake. Limit, 8min. Nomination 2sovs, acceptance 3sovs. Distance, one mile and a-quarter.

FAREWELL HANDICAP (Saddle) of 100sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs, and third horse 5sovs each from the stake. Limit, 230. Nomination 1½sovs, acceptance 1¼sovs. Distance, one mile.

AUTUMN MEETING, 1914.

DATES OF NOMINATIONS, ACCEPTANCES AND HANDICAPS.

FRIDAY, 20th MARCH, at 9 p.m.
NOMINATIONS for All Events close.

FRIDAY, 27th MARCH, at 9 p.m.
ACCEPTANCES for the First Day close.

THURSDAY, 2nd APRIL, at 9 p.m.
ACCEPTANCES for the Second Day close.

MONDAY, 23rd MARCH.
HANDICAPS for the First Day appear.

THURSDAY, 2nd APRIL.
HANDICAPS for the Second Day to appear.

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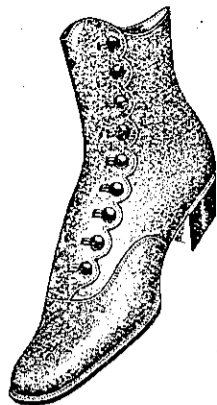
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Papakura Horse Sale—Monday 16th.
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Kaihu—Saturday, 21st.
Henderson—Monday, 23rd.
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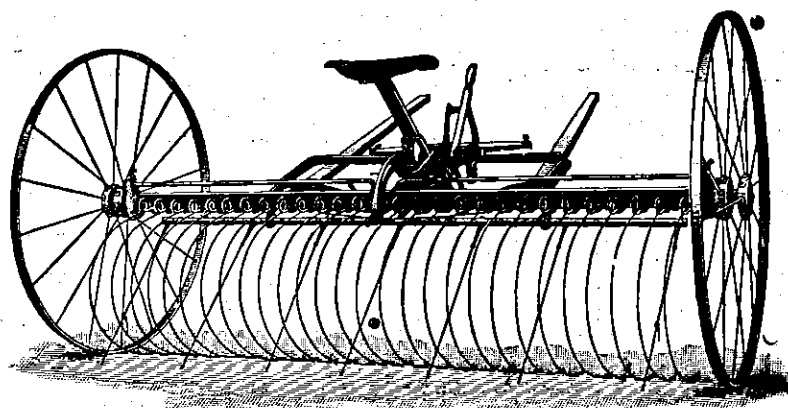
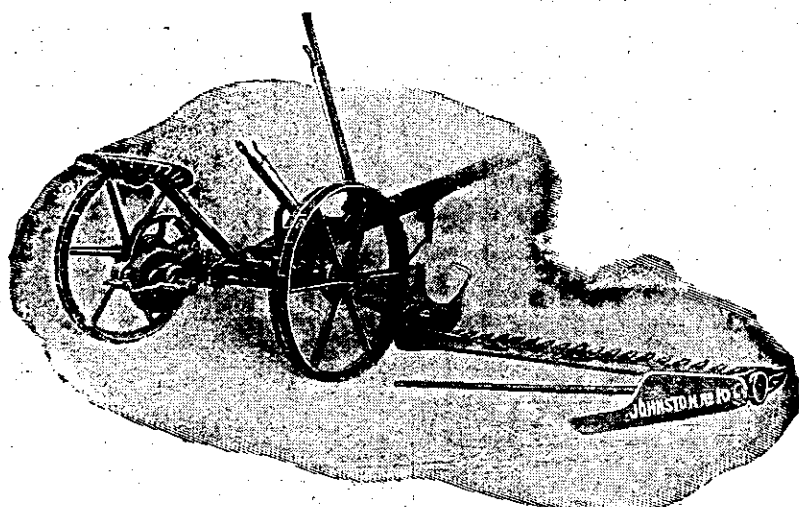
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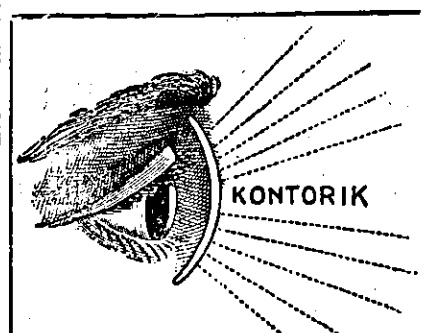
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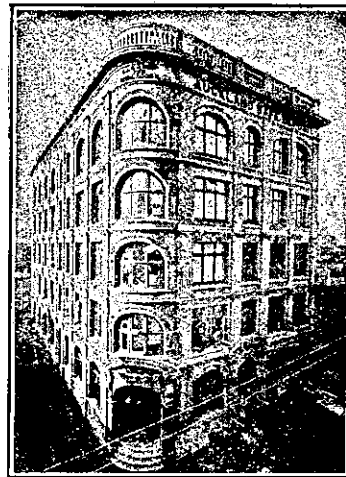
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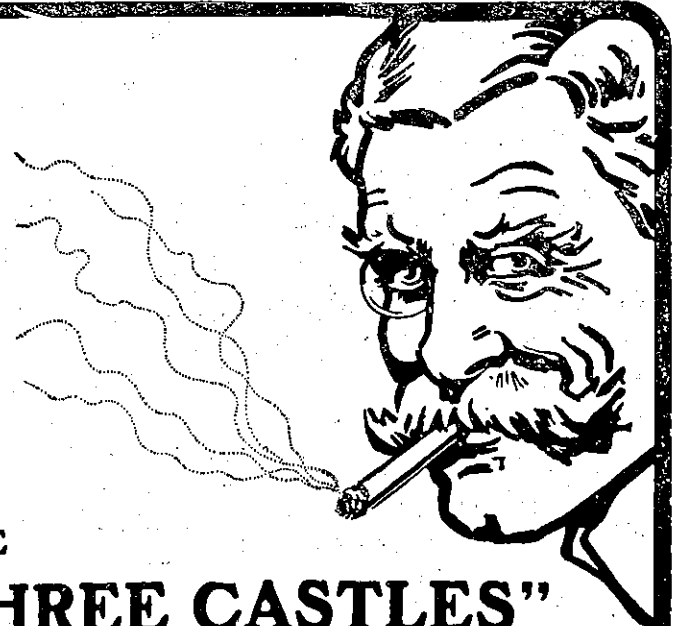
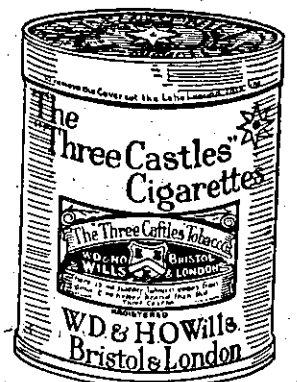
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THE CLUBMAN.

The Auckland Racing District Committee had before it on Tuesday of last week the appeal of the owner of Parawai against the decision of the Rotorua Jockey Club in declaring that his rider was disqualified by reason of going out in the last race about 11b short of the weight he should, as they assume, have carried. The owner and clerk of the scales admitted that Parawai's rider had weighed out, relying on 11b to come and go on, which would make his weight right, but the clubs stewards under the advice of the stipendiary Mr. R. O. Duncan, and acting in conjunction with him, decided that this course was contrary to the spirit and intention of the rules, in other words that no rider should be allowed to weigh out under the actual weight allotted, or which, by the conditions of the race, was to be carried by the horse so weighted. Seeing that Parawai's rider weighed in all right that is, after the usual 11b was allowed, it may seem strange that anyone should contend that he had weighed out wrong. He weighed on returning to scale, we have been told, at the same weight that he weighed when he left it. But this is the contention of the Rotorua Club's stewards, and the decision is against their clerk of the scales. The District Committee has thus decided by the narrowest majority, the casting vote of the chairman, that the Rotorua Club's stewards have acted right. The owner of Parawai, it is understood, is taking the case to the Appeal Court, and it will be for the Appeal Court to find what legitimate construction can be put upon the rule. If it should be that the rules are capable of a double construction or not explicit enough we may find them falling back upon custom and taking evidence on that point and ultimately making the rules more clear.

District Committees and Conference Appeal Courts have had a fair number of cases to decide this year. The Wanganui Jockey Club stewards and committeemen had a lot of their time taken up with cases that came up for their consideration during the progress of their recent meeting and it would appear that they get quite their full share of enquiries and knotty points of one kind and another to deal with. One question was as to whether Guiding Way was properly qualified to race in the assumed name of an owner while it appeared in the Racing Calendar that a registered partnership of two other owners still existed, or if it did not exist, had not been cancelled so far as publication is concerned. Guiding Way has been racing for some months past in the nomination of Mr. C. Renault, the assumed name of a well-known settler, and so raced in Auckland at the midsummer meeting, and at Wellington and Manawatu and elsewhere, but the question only cropped up officially at Wanganui, and the stewards after much consideration on the course (so writes our correspondent, who is on the spot) arrived at the conclusion that it would be advisable to refer the matter on to the District Committee with a view to passing it on to the Racing Conference for their decision. In this they were probably wise, and they came to the same decision in The Rover case, in which the position is somewhat complicated. The lessee of that gelding in 1912 was a Mr. Wright, who was disqualified for two years in August of that year, and though it is held in some quarters that under rule 3 part XXXIII. The Rover was not eligible to compete, he competed in the spring of this season in the name of Mr. M. Boyle, his owner, at Feilding, and that owner leased him in January, 1914, to Mr. W. G. Trask, who nominated and raced him at Wanganui and won with him on the opening day. The lease, moreover, has been duly registered and appears in the official Calendar of February 7th. One would have imagined that this would be sufficient, but The Rover, though accepted for on the second day, was not allowed to start.

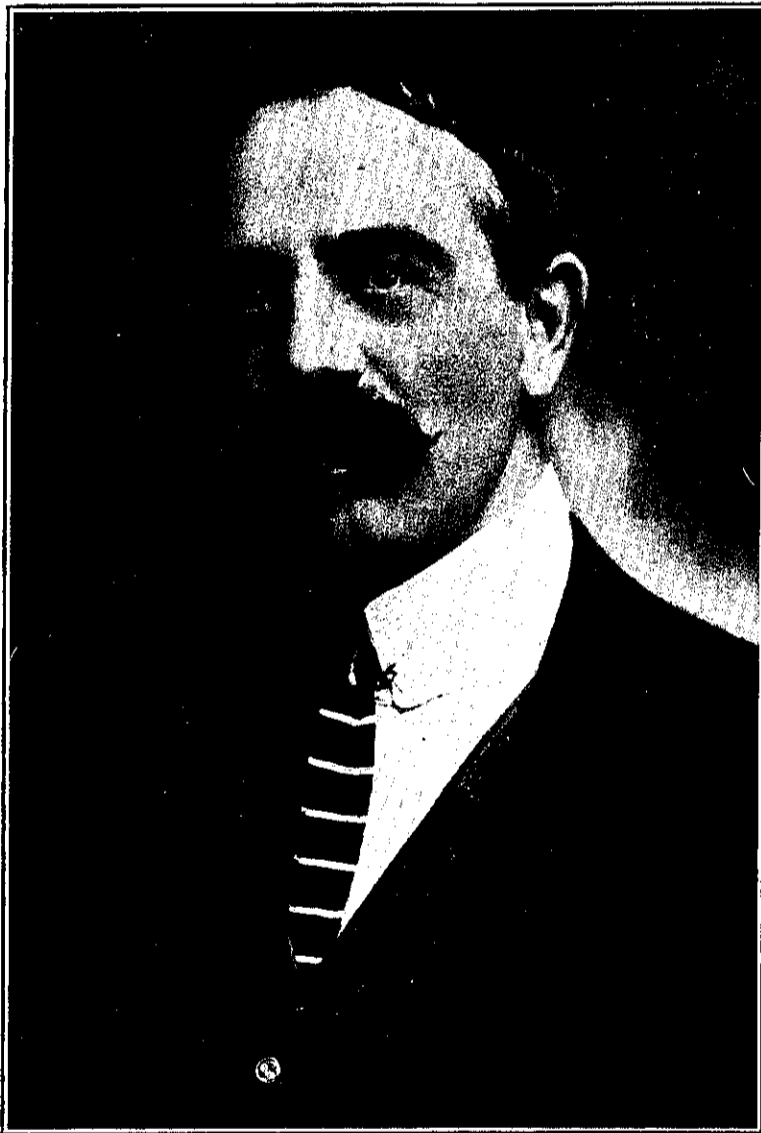
The present lessee of the little Advance gelding would appear to have a grievance against someone. If his lease is not valid it would surely not have been registered. If it is valid he should have been allowed to race on the second day. A wire to the secretary of the Racing Conference should, in the ordinary course, have been sufficient to settle both the questions at issue, but it must now be assumed that there is something behind all that appears on the surface to cause the Wanganui Jockey Club to adopt the course they have done in each of the cases referred to. It should be mentioned that the owner of Guiding Way was in Auckland while the Wanganui meeting was in progress.

The numerical strength of District Racing Committees is fairly large, purposely made so, no doubt, so that metropolitan and country clubs should have fair representation. It is of

into the space of 3min. 56sec., the record time for the race in which the Australian Cup was run, and won by the five-year-old Wallace gelding Wallalo, on which gelding Hector Gray had the mount. It appears that Mr. Eccles, the owner, went for a good win on Wallalo, and laid the New Zealand lightweight, who had to do some wasting to ride 7.9, a thousand to nothing. Such is the report in circulation, and though racecourse rumour is sometimes a lying jade there is no reason to doubt the truth of the report. It is a long time since any New Zealand horseman ever won such a sum before, and we cannot recall the occasion of such a happening. One who went precious near doing so at the last New Zealand Grand National meeting was the cross-country rider A. Julian, but it was in his case a double event, the second leg of which went undone, as so many doubles do. Morning won the Grand National Hurdle Race, but The Spaniard just failed to materialise in the Grand National Steeplechase. Gray, it is thought, may take

those hearing the cases. In some places it is quite impossible to get any information at all, and there would often appear a desire on the part of the stewards to suppress information that the public have a right to know. This should be forthcoming and available to all, and pressmen should not have to go to individual members of the committees to obtain news which should come direct to them as a body. Copies of resolutions should always be furnished, just as the totalisator figure investments and times are by well-regulated clubs. This is done by a good many clubs, but there are some that do not show so much consideration to press workers and lighten their duties.

In another part of this paper will be found an interesting article headed "Apprentices and Horsemen," taken from the book written by the erstwhile English trainer John Porter, together with some interesting notes bearing on the same subject from the pen of the observant and practical sporting editor of the Sydney "Mail," known to the racing world as "Milroy." The Wanganui meeting was one at which the riding of a few apprentices was adversely commented upon by expert racing men, but hardly a meeting passes without some riders being carpeted, and it is more often than not that lads who have served their apprenticeships and others with more or less lengthy experiences are called to account by the stipendiary stewards. The public, or that section of it which plank their money down more or less solidly on races, are exacting in their demands, and in their interests they think that none but the most experienced riders should be put up. There are many punters who bet very much more heavily than the owners, and they would not allow owners to give apprentices a ride at all on the horses of their choice if they had their way. There are lots of small investors too, who become very demonstrative on this question. They forget that the owners owe something to the boys who ride work and help trainers to get their horses fit, and that they have most to lose if the apprentices do not succeed in winning or in getting as much out of the mounts as more experienced horsemen might do.



MR. C. E. MACKEY, President of the Wanganui Trotting Club.

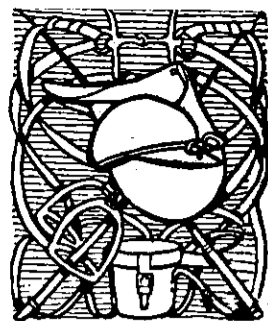
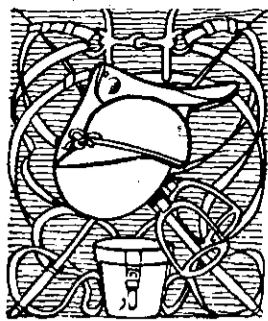
course desirable, though not always possible, to have a full board to deal with the questions that are brought up for decision. About half the number eligible for seats on the Committee which met in Auckland on Tuesday of last week were present, and one of the matters that came before the Committee was decided on the casting vote of the chairman, showing that opinions differed as to the proper course to pursue. It is desirable that the members of these committees should attend in greater numbers when matters of so much importance to the racing community are to be discussed and dealt with. In the case in which the decision of the Rotorua stewards is involved a considerable sum of money is still hung up and awaiting distribution to investors on one or other of the horses that finished first and second, the owner of Parawai, who came in first, it is said, having decided on taking the case to the higher court.

It is possible still for a winning rider in Australia to make a small fortune for a few minutes' work. A lot of excitement would be compressed

up his residence in Australia next season. He can ride with the best at his weight, and can get a lot out of a lazy horse, and knows when to wait with one that requires dainty handling.

There are always complaints that racing clubs do not admit the Press representatives to their enquiries, and some members of the fourth estate who are untiring in their desire to serve the public never cease to remind their readers of the fact, and their zeal in the cause is deserving of better results. They have much to be thankful for, however. Fancy busy men having to sit out hour after hour listening to the enquiries that some times come before racing clubs. Many of them have enough to do reporting the doings of the day, and would prefer to be spared, but they should have placed before them at the earliest possible moment the exact terms of protests, the nature of enquiries and the names of those who give evidence and of the disputants, with an official pronouncement in writing of the result of the deliberations of

A trainer who had more than one horse engaged in a race at the meeting referred to was called upon, as also the owner, to explain why a certain apprentice had been put up on one of them, and the lad was talked to in a very pronounced manner by Stipendiary McMahon, who told him that if he could not do better he should find some other vocation. The race was an important one with more money depending upon the result, possible, than any other, which fact may have influenced the stipendiary officer a good deal, but though we do not advocate that owners should be bound to secure the services of known capable men in preference, possibly, to novices, there is material for serious consideration in the suggestion. An apprentice that has been looking after a horse and been riding that horse work may be considered capable of riding it a good race, and the owner may be desirous of giving him a ride. The trainer, too, may think the rider capable of doing the horse justice. In the race he may fail and the owner and trainer are then subjected to the ordeal of having to explain their actions in the matter. We often see races thrown away through incompetency, and we shall always see horsemen riding who can outgeneral others, but there are some very capable apprentices, and some that are not at all promising. There is no rule that we are aware of to prevent owners or trainers putting up apprentices in any races they may desire, but if the Wanganui case is one that demanded an enquiry and action on the part of the stewards, as apparently it did, then it is time that some rule should be introduced, and, as races are given in which apprentices only can ride, there should be others of a stated value in which only riders with a given number of wins can compete.



RACING NOTES

RACING CALENDAR.

FIXTURES.

March 11, 12—Nelson Jockey Club
 March 13, 14—Napier Park R.C.
 March 14, 17—Ohinemuri Jockey Club
 March 17—Opunake Racing Club
 April 1, 2—Southland Racing Club
 April 2, 3—Masterton Racing Club
 April 11—Tuapeka County Jockey Club
 April 11, 13—Beaumont Jockey Club
 April 11, 13—Auckland Racing Club
 April 13—Waipukurau Jockey Club
 April 13—Kumara Racing Club
 April 13, 14—Canterbury Jockey Club
 April 13, 14—Feilding Jockey Club
 April 13, 14—Riverton Racing Club
 April 15—Westland Racing Club
 April 22—Reefton Jockey Club

EVENTS REQUIRING ATTENTION.

Nominations are due for the Feilding Jockey Club's autumn meeting on March 20th for all events. The Feilding Cup is worth 500sovs, the Mangaone Stakes 300sovs, the Easter Handicap 300sovs, and Denbigh Stakes 200sovs, and no race is of less value than 100sovs. In each case the nomination is 1sov.

Nominations are due for all events not already closed of the A.R.C. autumn meeting on March 20th, when first forfeits for the Great Northern Champagne Stakes and Great Northern Oaks will also be taken.

Nominations will be due on April 9th for all events of the Avondale Jockey Club's autumn meeting.

Acceptances for all events on the first day of the Rangitikei Racing Club are due on March 20th.

Acceptances for the Masterton Racing Club's autumn meeting are due on March 16th.

PRESENTATION TO MR. HARTGILL

At the close of the first day's racing of the Dannevirke Racing Club's meeting on Wednesday last the well-known and popular judge, Mr. W. H. Hartgill, was made the recipient of a presentation by members of the club. At the invitation of Mr. G. Hunter, M.P., a gathering that was largely attended took place in the committee room, when Mr. Hunter referred to Mr. Hartgill's long association of eighteen years with the club, sixteen of which he had acted in the capacity of honorary judge. Mr. Hunter spoke of Mr. Hartgill as an exceptional, capable man, and one whose decisions were rarely criticised, and by his attention to the minute details of his office Mr. Hartgill had proved himself to be undeniably well fitted for the important position he had held with credit to himself and those clubs with which he was identified for so long a period. In addition to his position as judge Mr. Hartgill had used his influence to foster the Dannevirke Club with all his aim and the high position the club held to-day was in some measure due to Mr. Hartgill's untiring exertions on its behalf. In handing over the memento (a handsome gold watch, suitably inscribed), Mr. Hunter voiced the hope that the watch would never go slow, and that Mr. Hartgill would never go fast, and that he would for many more years to come enjoy the confidence of the Club. Ringing cheers punctuated Mr. Hunter's remarks.

In reply, Mr. Hartgill thanked Mr. Hunter and the Club for their kindness in recognising his services, and he also added that his association with the Club had always been of a very happy nature, and he looked forward to enjoying the confidence of the Club for many years to come. A salvo of applause greeted Mr. Hartgill's concluding remarks, and the singing of "He's a Jolly Good Fellow" brought the proceedings to a close.

We often hear it said when horses win that they have returned or are returning to form, when it is a want of form of the opposition that gives them a chance to score as often as not. There is a lot in placing horses, but many trainers find it hard to place them where they can win.

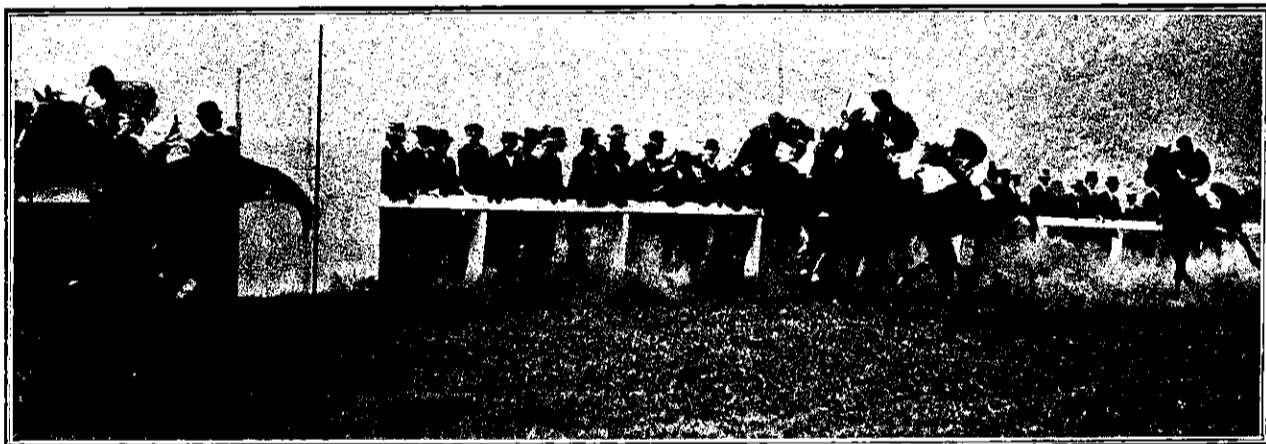
RADNOR THE CONSISTENT.

Mr. S. P. Mackay is one of fortune's favourites just now. He has had his share of bad luck, but gets a big slice of good as a rule. The three-year-old colt Radnor, by Earlston from Buletta, was sore as the result of racing hard in the spring when Mr. Mackay bought him, but he has won quite a number of important events since, and on Saturday finished up by winning the much-coveted Champion Stakes in record time for the race, viz., 5m'n. 22½sec., or at the rate of 1min. 47½sec. per mile. The Australasian record for the distance is 5min. 22¼sec., and Radnor's time is only a quarter of a second out'side, and is within half a second of the world's record for the distance held by Elie since 1905, when that horse carried but 7.2. Here we find a small field of horses, and none of them quite in the same class of cracks that have preceded them, putting up such a strong race all through as to cause one of their number to establish a record in a race which is one of the oldest-established in Australasia. Radnor is bred to stay, and Earlston, his imported sire, is by the aptly-named Love Wisely, son of Wisdom from Monday, by Wenlock, a son of Lord Clifden, who it was once sought to secure for an Auckland stud. Buletta is by Wallace from La Tosca, by Robinson Crusoe from Nightmare and by Panic, and such great stayers as Commotion, Wakeful, Mentor and many more are of the same line. Bon Ton and Bon Reeve are of the same family.

APPRENTICES AND HORSEMEN.

Some time ago in an article which he sent to the press the famous horse trainer, Mr. John Porter (now retired) asked:—"Where are the jockeys? Where will they be in the course of a few years? They appear to be diminishing annually. Where are they now? They have disappeared almost to a vanishing point. It is deplorable to think that for our leading jockeys we have to go to America and Australia. England used to be the nursery from which all nations looked for their supply. Are we becoming a degenerate race? Or is it the system that is at fault? I can remember the time if I had a horse good enough to run for the Derby I could find twenty jockeys good enough to ride him. But, then, they had years of experience before they arrived at the weight we now start at. The School Board may have something to do with this, but not all of it. I have read with great interest the many opinions that have lately been given on the subject. I think the suggestion of a 5lb allowance to apprentices, riding for their own stable, a good one. This allowance should go on during the whole of their apprenticeship, which should not be for a less term than five years. Two or three of these years would be taken up in teaching and riding gallops and trials before they would be qualified to ride in public. Therefore, I would venture to suggest as some remedy for the evils from which we

sixty years ago, I have seen three geniuses representing three different styles of riding (continues Mr. Porter). Fordham, with his medium, short stirrup, just short enough to clear the pommel of the saddle with a little to spare, taking tight hold of his horse's head, leaning slightly forward with his hands resting on the horse's withers, thus throwing the weight on the horse's shoulders, but still in a position to give him power to drop into the saddle and control a horse when in difficulties, and drive him straight home at the finish of a race. Then came Archer, with his long legs and short body, riding with a long stirrup and a long rein. He had many imitators, but they were not made that way. Archer was not a finished horseman like Tom Cannon and others that I could name. It was his indomitable energy, his wonderful nerve, his power of embracing opportunities during a race that made him so superior to others. He was always ready to ride your trials, he was generally the first to weigh out for a race, the first at the post, and, in fact, his whole soul was in the business. The next to appear, and to set a very different style, was Sloan. From the long stirrup and long rein he passed to the other extreme—the short stirrup and short rein. Here again we found a genius, who not only set a new fashion in riding a race, but a new way of running them. Instead of the slow, muddling way of waiting on each other, we had races run through as



MISS LIVONIA (R. E. Brown) has an easy win in the Domain Handicap (five furlongs) from PARAWAI (R. Trigger) and SPALFISH (H. Gunning), next rails, on the Opening Day of the Te Aroha Jockey Club's Annual Meeting.

JOHN O' LORNE.

Mr. Hunter White, of Havilah, N.S. Wales, has purchased a new and highly-bred stallion for his stud in John o' Lorne, a brother in blood to the St. Leger winner Night Hawk. The horse is expected to arrive in Sydney next week in charge of Carr, who brought out Bronzino and has made about 40 trips here (says "Milroy"). John o' Lorne was bred by Colonel W. Hall Walker, who also bred Night Hawk, Prince Palatine, Minoru (Derby), Cherry Lass (Oaks), and a great many other first-class runners at his Irish stud. Colonel Walker races on a fairly large scale, but does not keep all his yearlings for his own use. He selects those he likes and sells the others. In this manner he lost Prince Palatine. Among those he kept in their season were Night Hawk and John o' Lorne, but the latter could not be seriously trained, on account, I believe, of a large joint; but there were graver doubts about Night Hawk for a time. These, however, he outlived, and won the St. Leger. John o' Lorne is by Gallinule (19) from Jean's Folly (3), by Ayrshire (8) from Black Cherry, the dam of Colonel Walker's Oaks winner Cherry Lass, and he is a beautifully bred horse in every line. Nobody better deserves the possession of a stallion equal to Malster than Mr. White, and let us hope he has a second one in John o' Lorne.

are suffering that owners should back up the trainers by putting up the boys the trainers have taken the trouble to teach. Plenty of boys can ride; it is the opportunity that is wanted. We are fiddling too much on two or three strings. The great advantage in putting up a boy connected with the stable is this. He is on the spot, under the personal supervision of the trainer; he is riding the horses daily, thus gaining a knowledge of their different peculiarities. Horses are like human beings, different in temperament and disposition. It is a great advantage to gain a knowledge of this. I would also lower the standard of weight to 5st.

"There has been a tendency of late to raise the weights from the idea that little boys are deficient in strength to manage horses. Why, almost all the good jockeys I have ever known commenced to ride races when they weighed but little over 4st. To say that they cannot ride is sheer nonsense. Weatherby's team with abundant evidence to the contrary. Three-year-olds seldom win a handicap now before the middle of the racing season. The margin between the top and lower weights is not sufficient to give them a fair chance. By lowering the weights apprentices would get more riding, and be better qualified to compete on equal terms with other jockeys of longer experience.

FORDHAM, ARCHER AND SLOAN.

"Since I commenced racing some

they should be. In this he showed his superiority to others by his knowledge of pace. He did not ride from pillar to post as others are apt to do, but at a pace that would give his horse a chance to carry him to the end of a race. Between Archer and Sloan I think Fordham showed a happy medium, and his is the style of riding that should be taught and encouraged. I do not think either the extremes of Archer or Sloan can give the power and control over a horse that is so needful."

The arguments in favour of apprentices are all very well from the point of view of making the jockey and increasing them in numbers (says "Milroy" in commenting on the above), and for the convenience of the trainer who is building the boy into a profitable asset—at the expense of the owner. Of course, we cannot expect first-class riders like Connell, McLachlan, Smith, and Pike, unless they receive encouragement and opportunity to become expert by giving them their chances in public; but if we use only apprentices for the sake of allowances, what is to become of the already-made jockey who has gone through the mill? He must ride to keep his condition and nerve. Then there is the public to consider. I am still of opinion—and it is the opinion of the majority—that the apprentice should not be allowed concessions in every handicap, except a few of the greater events, and that the object of keeping up a supply of jockeys would be gained by setting aside one or two races a day for ap-

prentices only. If they become expert, as Pike and Wootton did in their boy days, both owners and trainers will be glad enough to use them against the fully-made jockey without asking for allowances. At present horse trainers are all for the allowance rule, and the public are against it. It should not be forgotten that popular jockeys have their followers, who go racing solely to back their mounts, but if the popular jockeys are superseded by apprentices in every race, not only is their occupation gone, but the clubs probably lose the patronage of their followers, who, as a rule, know nothing about the horses, but just back the jockeys. If the apprentices get all the riding the thick-and-thin jockey follower stays away, or goes to the pines, to follow the leading unregistered artists.

RACING IN INDIA.

A movement is afoot in India for the encouragement of country-bred horses, by increasing the number of races and instituting valuable stakes. Already, says the "S.M. Herald," the value and number of races for locally bred horses have been considerably augmented, and good prizes have been provided at Lucknow, Gwalior, Lahore, and Rawalpindi. His Excellency the Viceroy has become a patron of the scheme, and has promised, annually, a cup, value £50; while the vice-patrons are the Lieutenant-Governor of the United Provinces, the Lieutenant-Governor of the Punjab, the Nizam of Hyderabad, the Maharajah of Mysore, the Maharajah of Gwalior, and the Maharajah of Patiala. The Viceroy's cup and other donations that have been promised will make it possible to institute the first of these races next year. Besides the cup promised by Lord Hardinge, the race, which will be known as the Indian Derby, will be endowed with 5000 rupees, with substantial prizes for the second and third horses, as well as a bonus for the breeders of the placed horses. It is also intended to have races for horses got by Arab and country-bred stallions, as it is recognised that horses so bred, although excellent as remounts, and for general military purposes, cannot compete with the progeny of thoroughbreds.

PROTECTION AND RAJAH.

When the New Zealand-bred filly Protection won recently at Warwick Farm, there was a demonstration from a section of the people, who thought that Rymerhild had won. Referring to this, "Milroy" says:—There was not the slightest reason for the uproar, for Protection won without a doubt, though Rymerhild should have got there had she been handled with judgment. The judge is not the sort of man to make a mistake or to favour anybody. If he were inclined to hand out favours, it is certain Protection would not have been the lucky one, for Rymerhild is owned by one of Mr. Shaw's greatest friends, Fred White, of Shannon Vale.

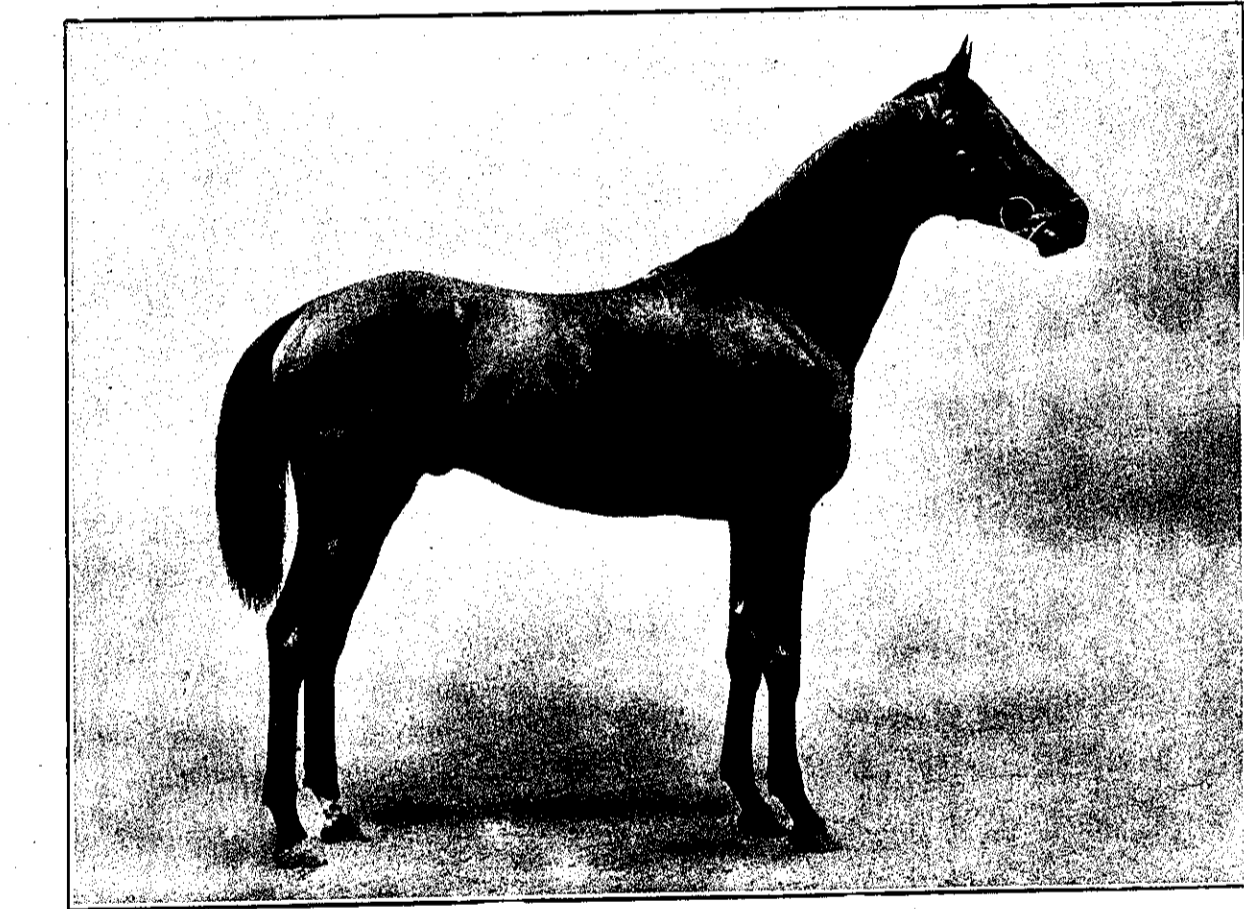
The same writer has this to say about the victory of Rajah at the same meeting.—Early in the betting there was a disposition to back a New Zealander named Rajah, owned by Mr. Birks; but he retreated in the betting suddenly, and one bookmaker who "auctioneers" the runners to the highest bidder actually laid 40 to 1; but a little money going on him from the right quarter at the finish the horse came back to 10 to 1; and, going to the front along the back, lasted long enough to beat Grafel (a gelding by Judge Grafton) a length, and that useful Fleet Admiral mare Floating was third. In a print of references Rajah is credited with having covered four furlongs in a New Zealand race in 48½ sec. He is trained by T. Dwyer, who also prepared Protection.

At the yearling sales in Melbourne 84 yearlings were sold in four hours and realised 15,796 guineas, an average of 188 guineas. New South Wales and South Australian buyers were more active than usual. The Positano—Tragedy Queen colt at 1900 gns, the Wallace—Moma colt at 600 gns, the Wallace—Nalurmi colt at 600 gns, the Welkin—Wilgara filly at 530 gns, the Bobadil—Tortile filly at 530 gns, the Berridale—Carolina colt at 550 gns were those that realised over 500 gns on the first day.

EASTER NOMINATIONS.

The nominations received by the Auckland Racing Club for their autumn meeting and those received by the Canterbury Jockey Club have been carefully scanned. The Auckland Racing Club's Easter and St. George's Handicaps stand in the same relation as the Canterbury Jockey Club's Easter and Autumn Handicaps, the only difference being that the C.J.C. Easter is a furlong shorter than that of the A.R.C. For each of these particular events the number of nominations is much the same, but there are a few horses engaged at both meetings, and it will be interesting to note how the respective handicappers treat the horses. Their weights are due on the same day. The clubs referred to should each have excellent meetings. Nearly all the best horses in the Dominion figure in one or other of the nomination lists, and they are not all likely to be figuring at one meeting.

It is noticeable that the name of Colonel Soult does not appear in the nominations for either the Easter or St. George's Handicaps at the autumn meeting of the Auckland Racing Club, but whether this is due to the fact that he got cast in his box over a week ago or to a previously reported intention that he was to be kept until next season we cannot say. If for the first reason then it is much to be regretted, as horses worth so much money don't want to eat the bread of idleness long. A good long rest, however, will do Colonel Soult no harm, as he was going early in the spring with a view to annexing the Avondale double.



A HIGH-CLASS ENGLISH RACEHORSE AND MUCH-SOUGHT SIRE—Mr. J. B. Joel's PRINCE PALATINE, by Persimmon—Lady Lightfoot.

Another noticeable absentee from the nominations of both clubs is Position, who, up to the last Wellington meeting, was considered good enough to run with the best at weight-for-age over a mile. He fell when racing in Auckland, but came out and ran so well afterwards at the summer meeting that it appeared that the fall had had no ill effects. He almost fell again when working on the Trentham tan track the day after he had been beaten out of a place in the mile weight-for-age race, and his absence is explained, it is said, because it has been deemed advisable to give him a rest. He missed the Jackson Stakes, one of the last, if not the last, of his classic engagements, for this reason, and it was a race which entailed no extra weight for previous wins and run over a distance that many would pick to suit him best at this stage of his career, though when the weights suit there is no reason why he should not get a bit further when a bit older.

By running third in the Rosehill Handicap carrying 9.5, Midnight Sun showed that he still retains some form. The winner, Iran, had 6.7 and the second horse, Mandowa, 8.1. Emerson rode Midnight Sun, who, being a young horse, should yet win a good race.

TURF TOPICS.

There is always hope for a thoroughbred that shows and retains pace. They get to stay better very often if they keep sound.

New Zealand owners are always ready to make offers for yearlings in Mr. Currie's stud, even though they claim no New Zealand engagements.

J. Conquest returned to Auckland on Saturday, and is making good, but should take a spell off before riding again.

Paperlitz, who was in winning form at Dannevirke, is a four-year-old son of the St. Leger horse Papakura from the Soult mare Austerlitz.

Mr. H. H. Jackson, Wanganui, has disposed of his gelding Rangiruru, by Conqueror, to Mr. A. Tucker, who intends to put him over the sticks.

Wallingford, the only representative Harrow (son of Eton) has racing, is well up in the weights at Australian country meetings, and has won a number of races over there.

A Southern writer points out that Altcar, by Birkenhead—Temeraire, is returned in the last volume of the N.Z. Stud Book as that mare's 1896 filly, instead of her 1908 colt, since gelded.

Messrs. Webb Bros., Wanganui have had the misfortune to lose the dam of that promising hack Brunswick. Her foot got poisoned, and she had to be destroyed.

Reports which emanated from the south about the existence of a jockey ring are generally discredited. Our Southland correspondent has something to say on the subject in his letter this week.

Mr. John Isherwood, a very familiar figure on Melbourne racecourses, died suddenly last month. For years he did duty at the scales on various racecourses. He was acting as weigher at Caulfield on the first day.

The Bay of Plenty meeting was voted a success from some points of view, but unfortunately good nominations did not end in big fields, and three horses—Jolie Fil'e, Kotiropu, and Lady Lynette—accounted for a double each.

The Caulfield Futurity Stakes, won by Brattle, was won two years in succession by Gladsome, and also by Soultline. Gladsome has the honour of having won with 9.13, the biggest weight ever carried to the front in the event. Soultline had 9.8 and beat the largest field, which numbered 21.

Mr. G. Currie could have sold a couple of his yearlings privately to would-be purchasers last week had he been disposed to put a price on them, though they claim no New Zealand engagements.

One or two bookmakers were victimised at Caulfield on Oakleigh Plate day through the medium of forged betting tickets. One paid out £90 and another £35 on false tickets.

A two-year-old full-sister to Expect has been leased to a patron of T. Quinlivan's at Hastings by her breeder, Mr. D. Fraser, owner of her sire Advance and dam Endeavour.

Aruake, winner of both hack hurdle races at Wanganui also the well-known hurdler North-East, were each purchased untried at Messrs. F. R. Jackson and Co.'s sale yards for a mere trifle.

Aucklanders will remember the bay mare Celerity, by Seaton Delaval from Monsoon, which ran on Auckland courses a few years ago, and was taken to Australia, and trained by D. J. Price, and won the Oakleigh Plate twice. It was her yearling colt by Bobadil, son of Bill of Portland and Stepniak's sister She, that was sold in Melbourne by Yuille and Co., on March 2 for 700 guineas.

W. McKinnon left Auckland on Monday with the jumper Adherent, who goes into P. Nolan's stable on arrival in Sydney, Mr. Dunnett having sent instructions to F. Stenning, his Auckland trainer, to that effect.

Tiresome was very sore after her accident at Wanganui, and Allegation was lame and could not start on the second day, but a telegram from King, their trainer, on Saturday said that Tiresome was all right again.

The death of Mr. W. Foster, of Wanganui, long time mine host of Foster's Hotel, took place on Friday. Mr. Foster, in and out of business, was always very popular. He raced a few horses in early life, and played a good game of billiards. Mrs. Foster and members of the family will have the sympathy of a large circle of friends.

"I thought the bushranging days were over," remarked an Albury felder upon his return to Albury from the Talgarno race meeting on a recent Saturday, "but I reckon some of those amateur jockeys up in the hills would have no difficulty in qualifying. There was a 'hold up' in every event, and no one was arrested." It is (says the Albury "Daily News"), perhaps, needless to remark that there was no "stipe" present.

The dust at the Te Aroha meeting was frightful.

Hemisphere, half-brother to Marshal McDonald, managed to win a race at Te Aroha.

The second day of the Wanganui meeting has been referred to as a Greenwood day.

Tattoo and Spalfish were a class above most of the horses racing at the Te Aroha meeting.

Otarai ran very consistently in all his races, and looks like furnishing into a useful performer.

Yankee Doodle, who won a race at Te Aroha, is as excitable as ever, and gave a good deal of trouble at the post.

Both Messrs. McHugh and Tooman were present to see Admiral Soult run, but the course did not suit this horse, who has his peculiarities.

North-East received 12.7, top weight, in the Jumpers' Flat Race at the Canterbury Park meeting, won by Kopane (9.8).

Woorak is said to have won the Ascot Vale Stakes in even easier fashion than the Sires' Produce Stakes.

North-East is entered for the hurdle race on the opening day of the Auckland R.C. meeting, and may return to New Zealand.

C. Coleman left his pair, Admiral Soult and Obdurate, at Te Aroha. They go to the Paeroa meeting in charge of Mr. C. Walker.

The profits over the Te Aroha meeting should be at once spent in needed improvement on the course. The appointments and conveniences are behind the times still.

Gold Brew jumped the tan in the Newmarket Handicap and lost some ground in consequence, his rider being nearly dislodged in the effort. He finished a good fourth.

Walloo started at 25 to 1 in the Essenden Stakes, which he won in the last stride by half-a-head, with Hector Gray up. His owner got 50's to 1 for a start.

The secretary of the Te Aroha R.C., Mr. George J. Parker, ably assisted by the committee, worked hard for the success of the meeting although they were badly handicapped by the dust fiend.

Ma angai paid over a quarter of a century in the race he won at Te Aroha, but a much bigger dividend was returned on Try Fluke; indeed, it was over a third of a century.

McFlynn and O'Shea, friends both, had the bad luck for their mounts to fall on the flat in the Welter at Te Aroha. These riders were amongst the first to look after Conquest when he met with his fall at Wanganui.

Cherubini's nomination for the Auckland Racing Club's Autumn meeting has been interpreted by some to mean that he will not race at the Autumn meeting of the Canterbury Jockey Club, where he claims an engagement in the Challenge Stakes. There are some who are predicting that he will be taken over for the Autumn meeting of the Australian J.C., in which he and Emperador are nominated. The chances are against this.

Hector Gray's one ride in the Australian Cup would probably mean more to him than the thirty-one wins he has had in New Zealand this season. It has been stated that he is the only New Zealand horseman that has ridden the winner of the Australian Cup, but that is not so. The late Wally Clifford won on Lochiel when he beat Carbine in 1889, and W. Brown rode Nelson when Indent, a three-year-old, beat him a head in 1887.

Valhalla, by Heirarch—Peace, a brother to a yearling filly sold at the Waikanae sale, can apparently gallop fast, despite an enlarged knee injured when a yearling. His form at Akaroa led to that conclusion. He cost Mr. Greenwood 440 guineas as a yearling, and this is his first return.

The Musket blood was much in evidence at the recent Caulfield meeting.

Mr. N. Falkiner, owner of the champion steeplechaser, Bullawarra, has decided that that horse shall leave Australia for England to compete in the Liverpool Grand National, by the s.s. Runic on March 21.

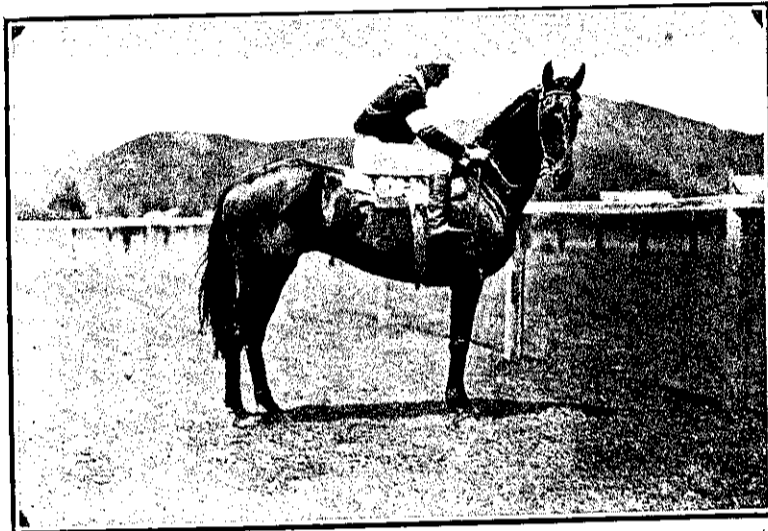
People profess surprise when horses, beaten one day, win the next and start favourites, but people back riders quite as often as they back horses, and it is probable that if the names of riders were hoisted on the totes instead of the names of the horses they ride quite as much money would go through the machine on some races.

Black Northern's inconsistencies are quite sufficient to earn him disqualification from racecourses. His two performances at Te Aroha were the antipodes of each other, and the second time he paid a big dividend, considering the class he met. Horse and rider came in for a hostile reception when he won. Some horsemen would not ride a horse of his erratic class, and some could not do so and make sure of getting round. He has been a pig a long time now.

A number of carpet-bag horsemen journeyed to Te Aroha after Dannevirke, but some of them did not get rides.

Fancy the Hon. J. Allen being present at the Akaroa meeting and presenting the cup to Mr. A. Boyle, owner of the winner, and the Hon. F. M. B. Fisher officiating at the Dannevirke meeting, and opening the new grandstand, the same week. Country clubs should be able to count on these two Ministerial heads as their friends.

The balance-sheet of the South Auckland Racing Club shows receipts amounting to £4504; £2759 for the totalisator at the recent meeting, and £596 for the gate; nominations and acceptances, £322; members' fees, £121; jockey fees, £325; cards, etc., £165; booth £110. The expenses fund jockey fees; rent £50, cards included:—£1260 stakes, £310 re-£67, totalisator £344, Government tax £700, wages £133, leaving a credit balance of £1478. The secretary mentioned the liabilities included an amount of £700 owing to the A. and P. Association for half share of the improvements recently effected. It was decided to pay off the whole amount immediately.



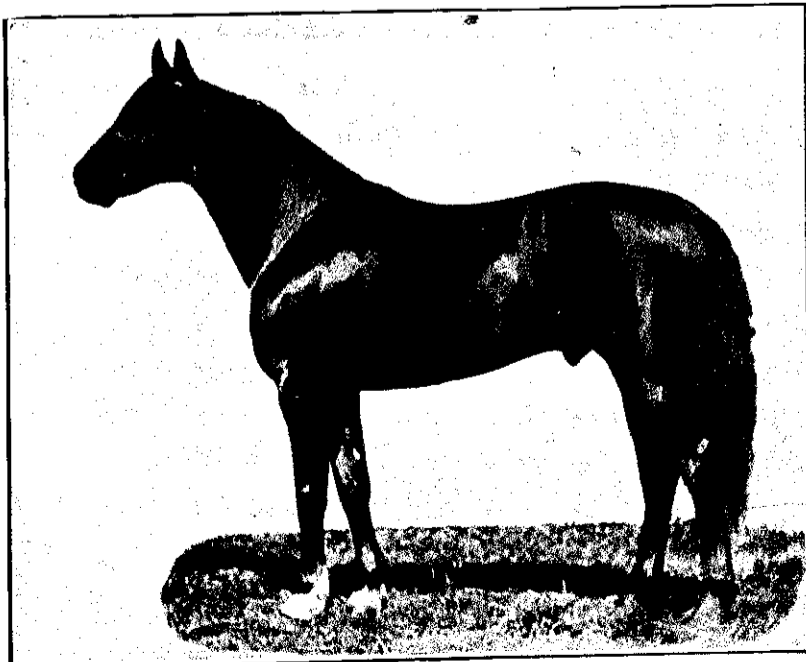
A BIG DIVIDEND PAYER AT THE TE AROHA JOCKEY CLUB'S ANNUAL MEETING—Mr. J. C. Dunn's b g MARANGAI, aged, by Saracen—Te Orangi, who accounted for the Flying Handicap (4½ furlongs) on the opening day.

At a recent meeting of the Whakatane Racing Club, it was decided to hold the annual racing meeting at Whakatane on Easter Saturday, April 11. The same programme as last year was adopted, and the Minister for Internal Affairs is to be asked to grant the necessary permit.

The weights for the two leading events to be decided at the Australian J.C. Autumn meeting have been declared. For the Doncaster Handicap, Jolly Beggar heads the list with 9st 8lb. The New Zealand horses are weighted as follows:—Royal Scotch, 9.1; Bandiera, 8.9; Emperador, 8.7; Bon Reve, 8.4; Beau Soult, 8.1; Rinaldo, 7.12; Sister Radius, 7.5. For the Sydney Cup Allured is top weight with 9st 7lb. The imposts of the New Zealand horses are as follows.—Midnight Sun, 8.10; Royal Scotch, 8.7; Cherubini, 8.4; Beau Soult, 7.11;

Tavistock, the colt that won both juvenile races at Dannevirke, belongs to Mr. Don. McLeod, one time of Whangarei, who purchased him for the sum of 20sovs at the Waikanae sale held in Christchurch in the spring of last season. The youngster is the lowest-priced one of the Vascos and of yearlings that were sold by auction at any of the yearling sales that season.

Try Fluke, by Motiti from Parahaka, won a race last year at the Bay of Plenty. Mr. Dickie owned him then, but who gave him the name and why was it allowed. We have had several horses of that name, and evidently the sponsor wanted to perpetrate the memory of one of the number, by Puriri, that used to run in the Bay of Plenty and Auckland districts over twenty years ago. Would anyone be allowed to call his steed Carbine in these days?



Mr. R. O. Duncan's champion trotting sire, KING COLE, by Ribbonwood—Kola Nut. One mile, 2.8 3-5; two miles, 4.31.

Maharajah, by Positano—Indian Queen, is expected to race better at three years old than at two.

Nominations for this year's Onkaparinga R.C. meeting are again sufficiently numerous to be pleasing to Mr. A. Von Doussa, and the club thoroughly deserves the support it receives. Apart from jockey's fees, it only costs £5 to start for the Great Eastern Handicap of £1550, and £2 for the Hurdle Race of £500. Liberality in conditions could not well go further. The course has been made somewhat easier than heretofore.

It is extraordinary what foals will accomplish at times. "Milroy," after referring to a feat reported by the special commissioner of the "Sporting Life," when a foal jumped a six-foot fence, tells of one that recently jumped out of the Neotsfield picket yards, which certainly looks over six feet. He then went on to relate that when he was a boy a foal, one of a number only just separated from its dam to be weaned, went into a flooded river and swam across during a dirty, stormy night and re-joined its dam, who was on the opposite side, afterwards becoming the best horse on the station. It was partly in consequence of seeing a hollow-backed yearling by Grand Prix from Fleurette jump some slip rails in good style that he was secured on behalf of a client for 20 guineas at Sylvia Park. That yearling was afterwards known as Boulanger, and won about £4000 in stakes. Foals have been known to swim longer distances than their dams, and are, as a rule, much harder to capture in the water than older horses.

This is how "Terlinga" in the "Australasian" referred to the winner of the Australian Cup on his appearance at the Caulfield meeting:—When Wallalo came on the course and cantered he was decidedly "rocky" in his gait. It may have been nothing, but apparently the big bettors thought it was, as Wallalo went back, and a rush for St. Vano brought him to the position of favourite. Last hour thoughts were best. St. Vano went to the front entering the straight. He was winning so easily at the big stand that R. Lewis took a look back over his tail to see where the others were, and then won pulling up. When St. Vano came back to weigh a few people wanted to know, "What about last Saturday?" but there was no demonstration. It was quite clear that the horse had been ridden hard and genuinely beaten the previous week. Wallalo and Atora commenced a long run six furlongs from home. At the sod wall Atora left Wallalo, who was floundering, and could not go at all. Loch Amos, who got second place, pulled up lame.

An interesting table has been prepared, showing the various amounts won in stakes in England during the past 32 years. From this it can be seen that last year's aggregate of £573,187 is by far the largest, and exceeds by something like £160,000 the figures of 1882. This comparison is more particularly satisfactory, writes "Vigilant" in the "Sportsman," as pointing directly and unmistakably to the steady progress of the affairs of the turf as a national institution, in spite of all faddist opposition, which finds its origin in the ignorance—I do not use the word offensively, but literally—of those faddists who listen to informers always prone to set forth evils without any endeavour to possess themselves of facts, the knowledge of which would show them beyond all doubt that, if not altogether void of them, the turf is as clean in character by comparison as any other of the world's great undertakings, and should be judged from that, the only fair point of view. It was not until 1898 that the aggregate of stake money won in England exceeded £500,000, but never since has it been less, and with upwards of fifteen and a-half million distributed during the period of 32 years we have an average nearly approaching half a million annually during that appreciable period. This appears to me a conclusive argument as far as regards general prosperity, and one is encouraged to hope that it will be fully maintained when contemplating the entries which have recently been published for the principal races.—in this category I am referring to the classic rather than handicap class—of the future.

INTERPROVINCIAL.

WELLINGTON.

Mowbray and Salzburg Join Jos. Prosser's Team—Blue Mount Now Owned by Two Hawke's Bay Sportsmen—Firing Line Probably Visit Australia—Fifty Horses in Work at Trentham—Sale of Thoroughbreds—Busy Scene at Porirua—A Smart "Highden" Pair—The Waikanae Youngsters.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

WELLINGTON, March 9.

Mr. J. B. Reid's two capital race-horses Mowbray and Salzburg have joined Mr. J. H. Prosser's team. The pair should make a decided acquisition to the band of workers on the Porirua beach.

Dr. Gilmer, a steward of the Wellington Racing Club, accompanied by his wife, left Wellington on Friday last for a month's holiday in the thermal districts of the North Island.

Haumakaka, a shapely gelding by Achilles from Punawai, is said to have created a favourable display in a gallop at Trentham on Saturday last. The horse, who belongs to Mr. Hira Parata, the Waikanae native sportsman, is thought susceptible of turning out useful.

H. Pritchard, who recently set up as a public trainer, has lost no time in preparing a winner, as New York, an inmate of his establishment, won a race at Dannevirke on Thursday last. New York is a three-year-old by Frisco—Karaka, and judging by his latest exploits he should have a successful turf career.

Blue Mount, who has raced in the Auckland district with some success, has been acquired by a couple of Hawke's Bay sportsmen, who have handed the gelding over to G. Neich, at Clareville, to be trained for the future.

The defeat of Miss Lena in the hack scurrys at Woodville was a severe facer to local backers. News from the seat of war was to the effect that the bay mare was sure to occupy a prominent position on the concluding day, and her downfall was very disconcerting to a small army of enthusiasts. "Dave" Sullivan's galloper is, however, in excellent form, and she should soon see a better day.

A well-known sporting enthusiast, Mr. P. Griffin, of the Pier Hotel, in company with his wife, left for England for a holiday jaunt by the s.s. Ruapehu on Thursday last.

There is a likelihood of Firing Line, who has been showing excellent form recently, being taken across to Australia within the next few months. The gelding should be seen to advantage when next he sports silk, as he appears to be improving with every race.

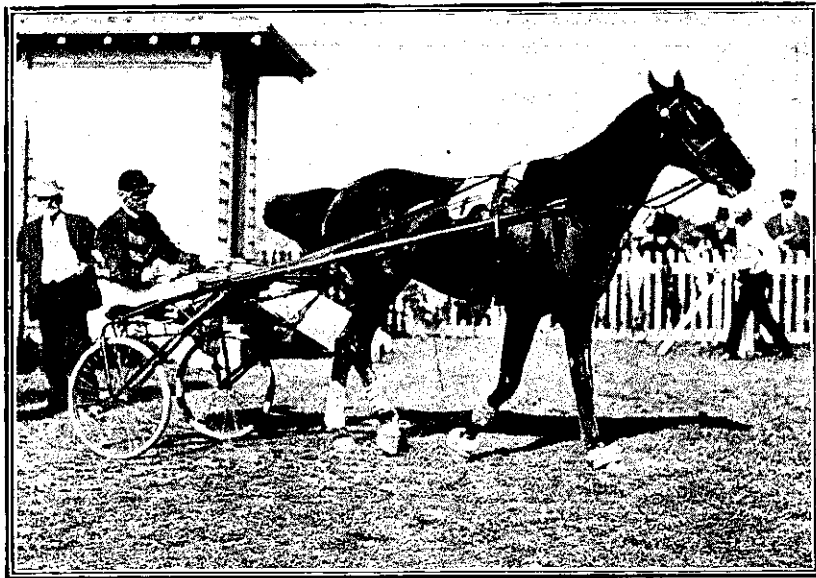
Elevonia (Elevation—Livonia) appears to have run well for a few furlongs at Dannevirke, and when she gets over her wildness and becomes more accustomed to racing she may yet prove a worthy relative to her half-sister, Merrivonia. The filly is owned by Mr. J. Ames, of this city, who for a large number of years controlled the totalisators of many of our racing clubs in this country.

About fifty horses are in work at Trentham, the headquarters of the

Wellington Racing Club, and with the capital training facilities provided the horses trained there have every opportunity to get fit.

At a sale of horses in the estate of W. Davies, held at Trentham last week by Messrs. A. L. Wilson and Co., the following prices were realised, the names of buyers being also given: Sonite, 105gns., Mr. "Lance Wood"; Field Battery, 30gns., Mr. F. Martin; George, 70gns., Mr. F. Martin; First Battery, 27gns., Mr. H. Kingan; filly by Field Battery—Trix, 15gns., Mr. H. Kingan. If the prices are a criterion there is evidently no demand in these parts for bloodstock, as the horses named were literally given away.

Los Angelos, Belasco, Pavlova, Stepney, and Gipsy Belle, members of J. H. Prosser's team at Porirua, are all doing well in their training work. The beach presents a busy scene in the early mornings, and it would occasion no surprise if horses from the seaside establishment captured a few important events during the Easter racing campaign.



CLIVE (W. McMaster), after his meritorious win from scratch in the Alexandra Park Handicap (two miles) on the concluding day of the Otahuhu Trotting Club's recent meeting.

That everything comes to him who waits was proved at the Dannevirke meeting last week by W. Galbraith, who prepared a winner (Bonus), who captured the Telephone Hack Handicap. Some years have elapsed since "Walter" was seen leading in a winner, and the hope is expressed that the Featherston trainer will have the same happy experience on many occasions in the future.

Hoopoo, a maiden candidate in the Porirua stable, is highly spoken of owing to her capital galloping ability on the beach. She is a three-year-old by Achilles—Bul Bul, and appears to have inherited some of her sire's sprinting qualities.

Dearest is still being kept busy at Porirua in view of her approaching engagements. A win at the Rangitikei meeting for the daughter of Soult—Lady Hester would be well received in sporting circles.

T. Wilson is busy at Awapuni with Classis and Powder Fox, both of

whom should be well forward by the time the Rangitikei meeting comes up for decision. The two horses named are showing distinctly improving work in their training tasks.

In La Favourita (King Rufus—Inamorata) and Marceline (Martian—Truce), the "Highden" stable, presided over by G. Price, shelters a couple of youngsters that should carry the blue and buff livery of the Feilding sportsman with some success next season. They are both endowed with galloping ability.

Mr. J. R. McDonald, of Levin, is the owner of a nice-looking two-year-old colt by Gold Crest—Heatherlea Lass, who gives promise of developing into a capable galloper. The youngster, who will race as Gold Rush, is a member of F. Higgott's stable at Otaki.

Mr. C. F. Vallance's pair of steeplechasers, Nedra and Renowned May, are getting through some satisfactory preliminary training work under J. Gravis ock's tuition at Clareville. The two horses named are expected to play a prominent part in jumping events during the winter months.

Reputation, who will represent Mr. W. E. Bidwill in the Hastings Stakes at the Hawke's Bay Jockey Club's meeting, is going on the right way under F. D. Jones' care at Rototawai. The handsome son of Martian—Step-

sent Mr. W. E. Bidwill at the C.J.C. Easter meeting, is pleasing trainer F. D. Jones by his exertions at Rototawai. The son of Stepfeldt continues to show some very promising form on the tracks, and may likely give a good account of himself when next he faces the starter. He was not at his best at Wanganui.

SOUTHLAND.

Steeplechaser True Blue Resumes Work After Lengthy Spell—Southland Trio Shipped to Sydney—Southland R.C. Have Six or Seven Tracks in Commission—Heart-burning Among a Number of South Island Horsemen Over Dunedin Fixture—Jealousy Gives Vent to Serious Allegations.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

INVERCARGILL, March 5.

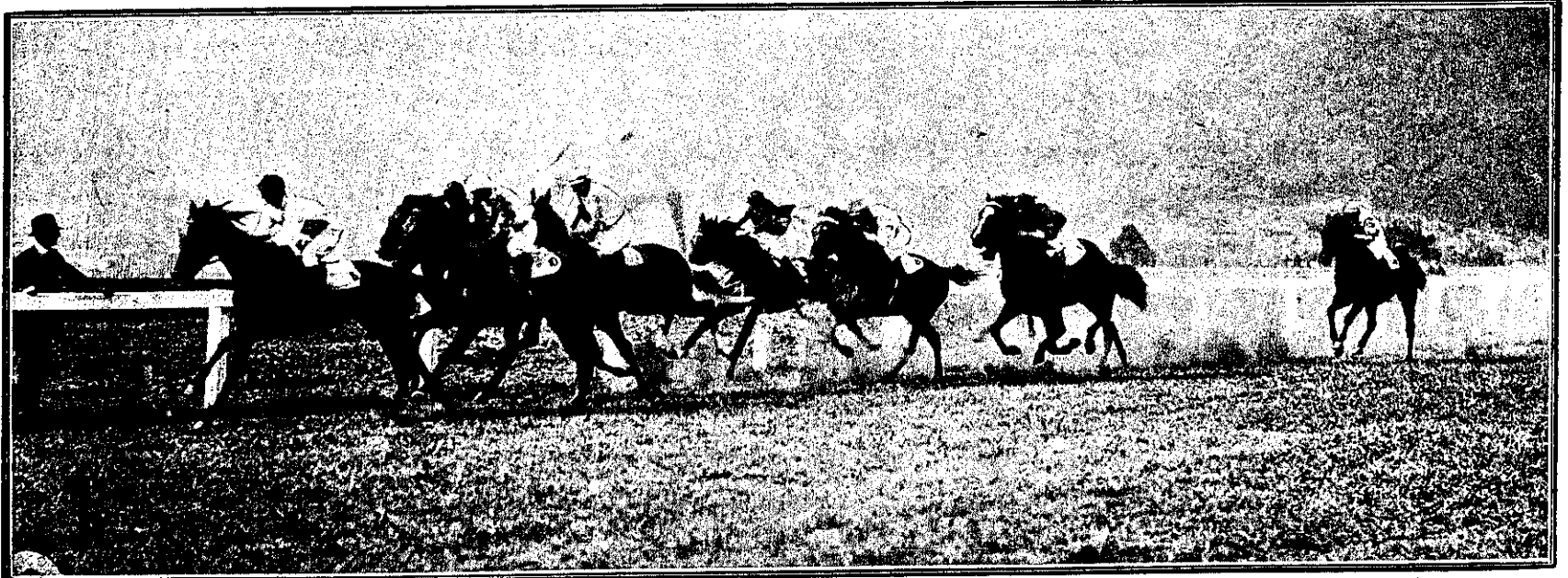
The absence of rain during the past week or two has given Invercargill and Riverton trainers some concern, but local mentors have now two good plough tracks at command, while the beach is always available at Riverton. Gallopers and steeplechasers in all parts of the province have been kept well up to the collar during the past week in order that they may be tried out prior to the closing of nominations for the Southland R.C.'s Autumn fixture the entries for which are due this week.

The grey steeplechase gelding True Blue, a son of Black and Red, and probably the best horse between the flags bred for some years in Southland, has been taken up again after a lengthy spell. He has been placed under the charge of George Hope, than whom there is no more experienced man with jumpers in Maori-land, and it is to be hoped that he will survive a preparation, but, judging from his appearance, care will have to be exercised with him.

The Charlemagne II. horse Jan is working regularly on the leading rein, and is building up nicely. His always unsightly near fore leg has been improved by the application of the firing-iron, but time will tell as to whether he will train on again or not.

The Captain Webb—Wild Daisy mare Golden Webb in Hope's stable is fining down nicely, and should earn her winter's keep during the forthcoming autumn season. She is a smart little mare and gives the impression of being more of a cut-and-come-again performer than her stable-mate Miss Kellerman who was off her feed during the recent Dunedin J.C. meeting, and ran very disappointingly in her races at Wingatui.

The s.s. Willochra, which left the Bluff for Melbourne on Monday last, had on board Mr. L. C. Hazlett's smart mare Sister Radius, by Charlemagne II.—St. Regis, and the hurdle racers Jack Ashore and Pure Gold, by Gold Reef—Awapahi. Sister Radius is to be trained in the vicinity of the Victorian capital and will probably be raced there prior to being taken to Sydney to fulfil her Doncaster Handicap and other engagements. She appeared to be none the worse for her endeavours at the Dunedin Cup meeting and a nasty kick received at the starting post in one of her races. It is hard to see why of Jack Ashore has been shipped across to the other side of the Tasman Sea, but he is certainly in rare buckle a



PASSING THE STAND THE FIRST TIME IN THE TE AROHA CUP (1/4 miles).—TINOPAI (J. Buchanan) LEADING GLOY (McMillan), NEXT RAILS, AND LADY ELGIVA (R. Trigger).

the present time. With the North Island-bred Pu.e Gold it is quite a different story. She is undoubtedly possessed of pace, and when she learns to cross her fences with a little more confidence she should win a good hurdle race. When she won at Wingatui recently the company was anything but select, but she ran away from her field at the finish and jumped the last two or three fences very quickly. The Southland jockey, J. Olsen, who travelled with Sister Radius, will ride the mare in Melbourne, but may not go on to Sydney with her. In the event of not visiting New South Wales, Olsen will hurry back to New Zealand in order to be present at the local Easter fixtures.

The Martian mare, Pretty Jane has recovered from a mild attack of strangles, and Hogan hopes to have her fit and well again for the River-ton R.C.'s meeting at Easter. She may be given a race at the local meeting.

Master Jim, a half-brother to the North Islanders Mount Victoria and Perhaps, is going on the right way. He is a big fellow, and somewhat babyish in his ways, but he may reflect some credit on his sire Ahel (The Possible—Fair Nell) in the near future.

The Southland R.C. invariably encourages trainers by providing tracks

Cup fixture caused fierce heart-burning with a number of South Island jockeys, who were compelled to stand down and watch their more eager, physically fit, and keenly alert rivals carry off the plums of the meeting. Some nasty things have been hinted at in connection with the riding at the said Dunedin J.C. fixture, but, with minor exceptions, the allegations may be laid at the door of jockey jealousy and also to the talk of some sorely-smitten woolbrokers. There were not many unexpected winners during the three days' racing as far as expert judges were concerned, and thus a number of backers present from the North Island were able to advise their far-away friends to advantage—Altcar, Specialform, Gapon, and Gnome were cases in point—hence the stir in wool-broking ranks. As far as a number of South Island jockeys are concerned, they only have themselves to blame. They are slack as regards riding work, and fail to live the steady, regular lives of their northern opponents. Again riders do not, as a rule, get as much race-riding practice as northerners, owing to their districts and meetings being more widely scattered.

Reuben, winner of the Otahuhu Trotting Handicap in Auckland last week, like the runner-up, Eccentric, at one time raced in Southland. Reuben, who came to these parts as

CANTERBURY.

Silver Shield Recovered From Mishap—Stevadore and Nightwatch Amiss—Merry Lass Displaying Good Form Over the Battens—Con the Shaughran Schooling Well—Cherubini's and Emperor's Engagements—Notes on Akaroa Meeting—The Peninsula Cup.

(By Telegraph.—Christchurch Correspondent.)

MONDAY, March 9.

Silver Shield, who received a severe kick at the Dunedin meeting, has been recommissioned by G. Scobie, and the son of Menschikoff has quite thrown off the effects of the mishap.

While doing a gallop at Riccarton a few mornings ago Stevadore, in Cutts' stable, burst one of his feet and is unlikely to race again this season. Nightwatch, in the same stable, has gone wrong in one of his forelegs. This is exceedingly bad luck for Sir Geo. Clifford, as the colt was galloping in rare style before the mishap.

G. Scobie has just broken in the two-year-old gelding by Menschikoff from Savoga, and the three-year-old gelding by Delaware from Polly Prim, both of whom were bred in Australia. They are a promising pair, and should both be capable of winning races next season.

The Elevation colt Veritas, in Cutts' stable, is still confined to his box, not

have been ridden, and have taken kindly to the work.

Con the Shaughran was given another trial over the pony hurdles on Saturday with White Cockade as schoolmaster, and gave a much better display than the latter, who stuck his two toes in at the second fence and refused to jump. Buster was then sent to give a lead, and Con the Shaughran jumped after him in much improved style.

Two of R. J. Mason's team, Cherubini and Emperor, have been nominated at the Auckland Easter meeting. Emperor is also nominated for the Easter and Autumn Handicaps at Riccarton. Cherubini was not nominated for the two big races at our meeting, but he is engaged in the Challenge Stakes, of seven furlongs, the second day.

Mowbray and Salzburg, Mr. J. B. Reid's pair of smart three-year-olds, are now being trained by J. Prosser.

There was a lamentable lack of stand accommodation at the Akaroa meeting, and quite a number of the onlookers saw little of the actual racing. Next season it is proposed to make use of a hill just behind the grandstand for viewing the races.

Gold Seeker, who won the hurdle race at Motukarara, is a full-brother to Autumnus, but lacks his younger relative's brilliancy. The son of Treadmill was purchased by his present owner some years ago for 10gns., and is a most proficient jumper.

Quite the outstanding performance witnessed at Motukarara was that of Valhalla, who is credited with running six furlongs in the Maiden Plate in the phenomenal time for that course of 1min. 13 3-5sec. If the time and distance can be accepted as correct, it looks as if a Great Easter or Stewards' Handicap should have been well within the gelding's capabilities.

Glenfinnan's display in the Peninsula Cup stamps him as an arrant quitter, for turning into the straight his defeat looked almost impossible, but when tackled by Flower of the West and Thrax he compounded like a pricked balloon.

Only for mistaking the position of the judge's box L. Hegarty would probably have won the hurdle race on Sunbeam at Motukarara. He mistook a post nearly 100 yards up the course for the finish, and eased his mount up. When he realised his mistake it was too late to get Sunbeam going again, with the result that Gold Seeker won by a neck.

The race for the Peninsula Cup at the Akaroa Racing Club's meeting proved an excellent one, and Flower of the West, served by her right impost, just managed to defeat Thrax, who had 33lb. the worst of the weight. Mr. Buchanan's gelding, nicely handled by F. E. Jones, ran a really good race, but found the big weight just beyond his capabilities. Flower of the West was imported from England by her owner, Mr. A. Boyle, and Saturday's race marked her first appearance in a race over a distance. She finished very nicely, and should win more races when the class is not too high.

R. Berry is still leading for top place in the jockeys' list, but Deeley, H. Gray, Bell, Olsen, Conquest, and others have good averages. Deeley stands the best chance of catching Berry, as he is closer on his track now than he has been since the New Year. Traill has a good lead of Julian as a rider of jumping races.



THE FINISH OF THE TE AROHA CUP (1/4 miles).—GLOY (A. McMillan) wins from TINOPAI (J. Buchanan), with LADY ELGIVA (on outside) third.

and at the present time have six or seven circuits in commission for the use of gallopers and trotters respectively, and further improvements in this direction are promised after the local autumn gathering has been added to turf history. Meanwhile a number of new horse-stalls are in course of erection and should be ready for occupation during the first week in April, when the race-day bags are unfurled.

When jockey H. Gray passed through Invercargill on his way to Melbourne to ride Wallalo in the Australian Cup, a number of local backers noted the fact and supported his mount accordingly. Gray informed the writer that he had thoughts of returning to New Zealand as soon as possible after the V.R.C. meeting, and further stated that he would probably be found riding at the Southland R.C.'s Autumn fixture. The presence of Gray at a local meeting would tend to brighten the intellects of some budding Southland horsemen, who are apt to take their duties anything but seriously. The riding of B. Deeley, H. Gray R. Berry, and perhaps J. Olsen and F. E. Jones at the Dunedin

an uneducated horse from Canterbury, won a race at the Southland R.C. Autumn meeting of 1911, but did not then give the impression of developing into a high-class performer.

At Canterbury Park on Saturday the ex-New Zealand gelding Kopane, by Sir Laddo, at one time owned by Mr. "Highden," and now trained by T. Dwyer, won the Jumpers' Flat Race. Kopane won a small race or two last season, but has been in retirement for some time.

The Sydney "Morning Herald" is responsible for the statement that the most attractive bill of fare ever presented by any turf institution in New South Wales State, outside of Sydney, is that drafted by the Newcastle Jockey Club for its Cup meeting on May 16 and 20. The prize-money aggregates 2500sovs. of which 1000sovs. endows the Newcastle Cup, and 250sovs. the Club Handicap on the second day. There are four races carrying 150sovs. each, two of 125 sovs. each and four of 100sovs. each, so that owners and trainers are well catered for by that institution.

having recovered from the injuries he received when racing at Dunedin.

Mr. Rutherford's jumper, Daylight Bill, has been getting through some satisfactory work at Riccarton since his return from Dunedin. The racing he had at Wingatui has evidently smartened his jumping up considerably.

The high-priced yearling filly by Signor from Oriaua, purchased by Mr. A. W. Rutherford at the Bushy Park sales, has arrived at Riccarton. She goes into McAulay's stable to be broken in and trained.

Judith, the three-year-old sister to Thrax, showed a lot of pace in the Hawera Hack Handicap at Motukarara on Thursday, but she fizzled out badly at the finish.

It has not been decided whether or not Thrax will go to Waimate. It is getting too close to the autumn meeting at Riccarton to be going away from home.

Since being recommissioned, Merry Lass has been jumped, and her displays over the battens have been of a highly satisfactory nature.

The two yearlings in McAulay's stable, one by Downham—Neva and the other by Treadmill—Ingleneuk,



OTARAIA (J. O'Shea) WINNING THE GORDON HACK HANDICAP (six furlongs) FROM KING OF THE VALLEY (E. Warner) AND SPALPERION (A. McMillan) ON THE OPENING DAY OF THE TE AROHA JOCKEY CLUB'S ANNUAL MEETING.

LATER.

The English-bred stallion Varco died at Mr. Harvey Patterson's stud farm on Saturday as the result of a rupture. Varco was by Marco from Vara, and had at least one smart representative in the two-year-old Balboa.

Gold Seeker, who won the Hurdle Handicap at Motukarara, has been placed under the care of the Riccarton trainer J. A. Bridges to prepare for future engagements.

Salathiel, the chestnut gelding by Coronet—Rutana, who recently arrived at Riccarton from the Taranaki district and joined W. Pine's team, has improved considerably in looks since his arrival, and has also shown himself to possess a good turn of pace.

Thrax was on the track on Monday morning looking none the worse for the hard race he had in the Akaroa Cup last week. He is not going to contest the Waimate Cup, and will not race again until the local autumn meeting.

The Martian—Grand Opera gelding Tannhauser has resumed work after a spell, during which he was given a light blistering in front. He is very much on the jolly side, but like most of the Martians does not take a great deal of work to get ready for racing. He will hardly be at his best by Easter time.

WANGANUI.

Trotting Club to Increase Stakes—Wanganui J.C.'s Winter Programme—Bon Ton's Cup Failure—F. Tilley's Team for Auckland R.C. Easter Meeting—Waverley-Waitotara R.C. Improvements.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

WANGANUI, Monday.

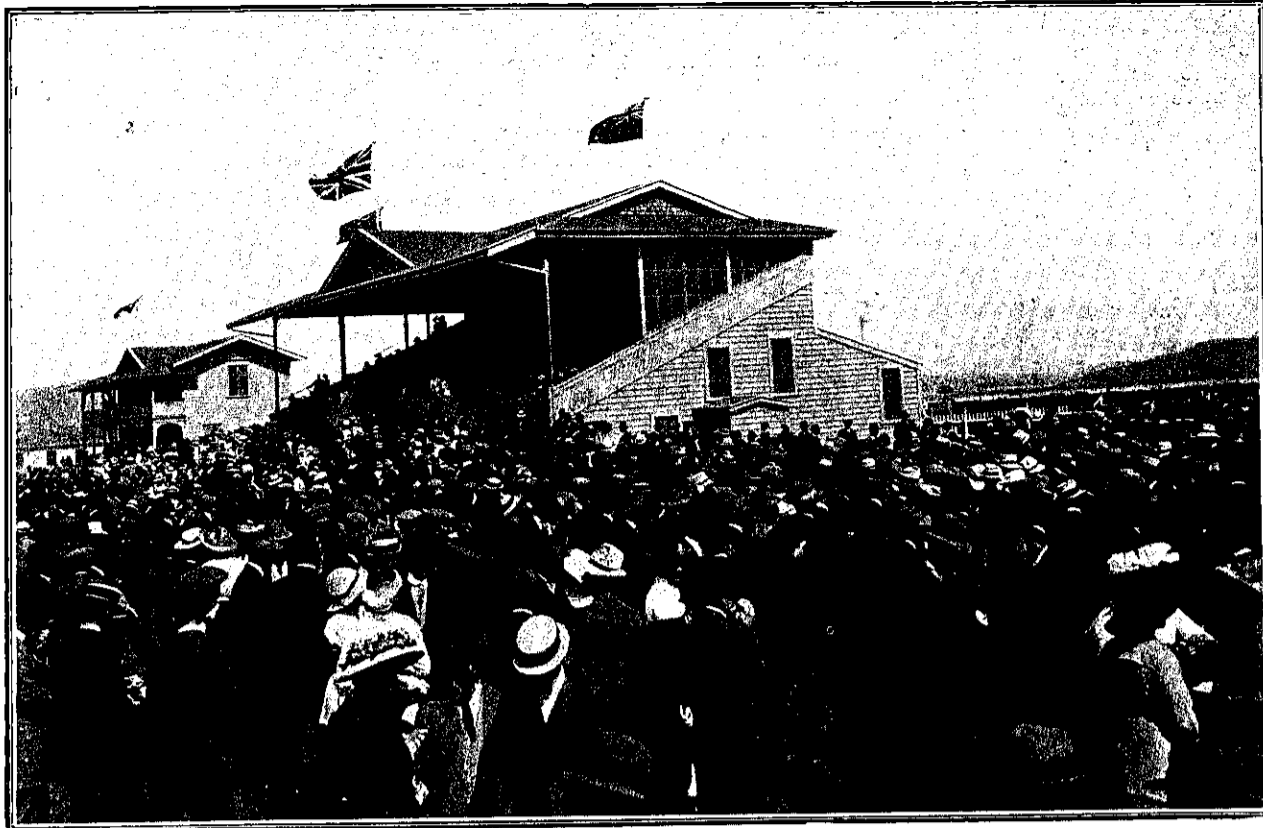
The Wanganui Trotting Club will, it is understood, offer at least £1000 in prize money for its next meeting. The Cup will probably be worth £200 or £250, and the stakes in all the other events very substantially increased. It is hoped that the increased prize money will induce owners to bring some of the crack trotters here, and in such case this form of sport will get a big lift in public favour.

Although the Wanganui Jockey Club gave away some £350 more in prize money at the recent Cup meeting than at the previous year's meeting, the profit made was quite as large as in 1913. This must be very gratifying to those responsible for the conduct of the club's affairs, and also to owners, as it means that further increases may be looked for next season.

Now that the Cup meeting is a matter of history, it is worth noting that four of the principal events at the winter meeting of the Wanganui Jockey Club will all be worth considerably more than last year. The Borough Handicap has been increased in value from £175 to £200, the May Hurdles from £200 to £250, the Empire Handicap from £225 to £250, and the Grandstand Steeplechase from £300 to £350. The Wanganui Steeplechase and Century Hurdles have not had any increase made to them, being already richly endowed, as the former is worth £600 and the Century Hurdles £300. Such good prize money should attract the very best class of horses both for the flat and the jumping events.

There is little doubt that Bon Ton would have run a better race in the Cup here had he not been asked to do what savoured almost of the impossible, viz., compete in the Dunedin Cup nine days before the Wanganui Cup was run and then travel up here. The trip necessitated four days' travelling, during which time, of course, he could get in no work, and this must have interfered with his prospects very considerably. The suggestion was made last year that a greater margin should be made between the dates of these two meetings, and Bon Ton's experience will probably lead to a further agitation in that direction. Unless an alteration is made the chances are that few, if any, owners will try to win both cups in future, and one or both meetings will suffer in consequence. According to the racing calendar it would be an easier matter for the Dunedin meeting to be held a week or so earlier than for the Wanganui meeting to be held at a later date than now.

Since the Cup meeting Aruake has been allowed to take things easily, he having been restricted to slow work the reverse way, with a view to saving his legs. W. Rayner is



VIEW OF THE CROWD ON THE LAWN DURING THE PROGRESS OF THE DANNEVIRKE RACING CLUB'S AUTUMN MEETING.

keeping Brunswick, Sweet Zinnia and Sweet Van going steadily in view of the Rangitikei meeting, where the former should run well, taking his Wanganui running as a guide.

Provided he keeps sound, it is more track, but he is not being asked to do much yet, though he is getting plenty of swimming, and this appears to agree with him. Rangimaru, another of C. Gordon's, is occasionally sent over the hurdles, and he is clearing them in good style. He was always a fine jumper, but the way he is shaping now points to the likelihood of him showing more pace over the obstacles this season.

Provided he keeps sound, it is more than likely that Coromandel will be entered for the Century Hurdles. It was recently reported that he had gone amiss, but he was racing at the Cup meeting and showed no signs of lameness. Since then he has been put over the hurdles, and hopes are entertained that he will do well this season at the jumping game. A. Jackson is not giving Roosevelt any track work, but he gets a fair amount of swimming. His other charge, Square Deal, is being kept at steady work in view of the Rangitikei meeting.

A few early backers were disappointed when they found Postillion's name missing from the list of entries for the Easter Handicap at Auckland, and it was expected by them he would be a starter in that event. Though not engaged in the Easter Handicap, it is understood the son of Advance will be one of F. Tilley's

team for Auckland, and it is certain that he will be well supported in whatever race he starts at Ellerslie. Austin and Bonny Helen have both been engaged in the Easter. The former is in good nick, and on the form he showed in the Autumn Handicap here must be given a chance in the big mile race at Ellerslie. Bonny Helen's special mission will probably be the Oaks, but if started in the Easter she may be depended upon to run a good race, as she is a better filly than many think.

Murt. Gardner has Lord Lupin, Fisher and Zetes in regular work at Waervley, the intention being to take the three to Auckland at Easter. Zetes is engaged in the Easter, and is sure to carry a fair amount of Waverley money if not given too much weight.

At a meeting of the Waverley-Waitotara Racing Club on Saturday evening, the question of again increasing the stand accommodation (on which £1100 was spent last year) was discussed. The desired improvements were estimated to cost £4000, which it was felt was beyond the club's means at present. It was therefore decided to increase the accommodation on the members' stand only, giving room for additional people, and increasing the space available for the jockeys and officials. The cost of this work will be £1000.

Stakes for the Autumn meeting of the Canterbury Jockey Club amount to £7630, and for the Auckland R.C. Autumn meeting to £6810.

One of Sea Prince's hoofs split on the morning before the Australian Cup was run.

No one seems to know what is the record number of horses from any one stable started in the same race in England. King William IV.'s historic desire to "start the whole fleet" when he was asked, after his accession to the throne, for instructions about running his horses at Ascot, was seemingly not carried out. The late Colonel North was fond of running anything that he had engaged, and in Avington's "Jubilee" he started El Diablo (who finished third), Lady Hermit, and Royal Harry, and in the next year he again ran El Diablo (third again, this time to Victor Wild and Grey Leg), and also Soult and Northampton. Last year Mr. Hulton was trebly represented in a two-year-old race at Epsom, which he won with Eastern Rose. Many trainers have, of course, saddled several horses in a race belonging to different owners, but it is doubtful if any one trainer in England has ever approached the Australian record of James Scobie, who was responsible for eight of the starters for Maribyrnong Trial Stakes at Flemington. According to the "Thoroughbred Record," an American has now gone one (or rather two) better, for at the meeting of the Piping Rock Association, trainer W. R. Midgley, of Belmont Park, New York, was the official trainer of no fewer than ten of the starters for a two-year-old race.



GROUP OF STEWARDS AND OFFICIALS OF THE DANNEVIRKE RACING CLUB.—Back Row (from left): Messrs. R. Roake (Clerk of Course), T. McDermott, W. G. F. Frame, T. M. Webb, W. H. Hartgill (Judge), R. Takle (Secretary). Second Row: Messrs. P. O. Clark, L. C. Rathbone, A. M. Warner, J. McMahon (Stipendiary Steward), J. E. Henrys (Handicapper), R. H. Skipwirth (Starter), R. Stevens (Time-keeper), W. G. Hunter. Sitting: Messrs. T. H. G. Lloyd, J. Neagle (Vice-President), G. Hunter, M.P. (President), R. E. Bunny (Vice-President), R. W. Blackiston, J. A. Riddell.

TROTTING.

TROTTING PICTURES.

1914.
 April 1, 4—Auckland T.C.
 April 11—Southland T.C.
 April 11, 18—Wanganui T.C.
 April 15, 18—N.Z. Metropolitan T.C.
 April 29, May 2—Forbury Park T.C.
 May 14, 16—New Brighton T.C.
 June 3, 6—Canterbury Park T.C.
 June 3—South Wairarapa T.C.
 June 11—Ashburton T.C.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

F. M. SOUTHLAND.—There were two horses called Kentucky right enough, both by imported Berlin. One was from Jeannie Tracey, the other from Fanny Belle, both imported mares. The Jeannie Tracey horse stood in Canterbury, the Fanny Belle horse at Marakakaho Station, Hawke's Bay. Both left some good winners, but the Fanny Belle horse had the fewer chances, as there were not many trotting-bred mares in his district.

surprise rung on them, for after Ravenswood's display in the previous race few gave him any chance in his second venture. However, the son of Underwood and North Star showed remarkable improvement and put up quite a creditable performance in getting to the end of the two miles in 5mins 17 2-5sec. Elms Junior again failed to stay, while the favourite, Proud Moore, gave a most disappointing display.

The Canterbury-bred filly Olive L. was amongst the competitors in the pacing division of the Melbourne Trotting Derby, but failed to get a place.

Franz Josef, who struck himself badly at the last Forbury Park meeting, has been spelling ever since, and it will be some time before this gelding again carries silk.

The special jury in the Michael Galindo case returned the following answers to the issues submitted to

Trotting Club's annual meeting will be reproduced, it having been found impossible to insert the pictures this week owing to pressure on space.

During the course of the Poverty Bay Trotting Club's annual gathering the horses Bravo, Lord Dexter and Count Warwick were offered for sale. All three were passed in, the offers being 35gns., 25gns., and 55gns., respectively.

In the Ladies' Bracelet Handicap (1 1/2 miles) at the Poverty Bay Trotting Club's second annual gathering on Thursday, Makauri Lass, starting from scratch, finished second to Countess Grey (25sec). Makauri Lass' time was 4m. 42s., and her owner, Mr. A. T. Webb, thus secured the Hutchinson Cup for the locally-bred horse doing the fastest time for the second year in succession.

Harness racing thrives in Austria, Germany, Italy, and Russia, and in all of these countries they have handicap systems which bring the horses closer together at the finish of the contest. This scheme is something like this. Any horse that won not more than £100 during 1913 shall be allowed four seconds in 1914; winners of £200 or less, three seconds; £300 or less, two seconds; £400 or

(owner) 2
 J. W. Johnston's Rothschild, 14sec (owner) 3
 Also started: Prince Randall scratch (A. Zachariah), Bravo 14sec (J. Marsh), Grey Lock 14sec (Dorn), Myrtle 20sec (Butler), Nellie Jean 30sec (P. Clarke).
 Sam Dillon led all the way and won by three lengths. Time, 4min 16sec.

PONY HANDICAP (Open) of 20sovs; second 5sovs from stake. For horses under 14.2 hands. One mile and a-half.
 C. Sheriff's ch g Tataramoa, 5sec (C. Taylor) 1
 V. S. Bolton's b m Miss Lloyd, 5sec (owner) 2
 Karena Tutapu's b m Mirimiri, 5sec (owner) 3
 Also started: Soult Boy 5sec (W. P. Walker), Emile 5sec (S. Greaves), Roger 5sec (A. Piggies), My Dona 10sec (R. F. Sken).

Won by six lengths, with the same distance between second and third. Time, 5min 19sec.

POVERTY BAY TROTTING CLUB HANDICAP (Open) of 65sovs; second 10sovs, third 5sovs from stake. Two miles.

E. G. Pell's gr g Silverlocks, by Sando—Wilkin mare, 50sec (owner) .. 1
 J. W. Johnston's Tender, 55sec (owner) 2
 R. Butler's Rothlin, 40sec (R. Butler) 3
 Also started: Jack Ashore 16sec (Piper).
 Won all the way. Time, 5min 45sec.

LADIES' BRACELET HANDICAP, winner to receive a bracelet valued at 20 sovs, and second a bracelet valued at 5sovs. One mile and a-half.

Jas. Campbell's gr m Countess Grey, 6yrs, by Honduras, 25sec (J. W. Johnston) 1
 A. T. Webb's Makauri Lass, scratch (owner) 2
 Mr. Warrington's Lady Lennox, 25sec (Warrington) 3
 Also started: Lord Dexter 12sec (R. Campbell), Haurangi 25sec (Whitebread), Iona 25sec (S. Greaves), Bill Hart 30sec (G. Campbell).

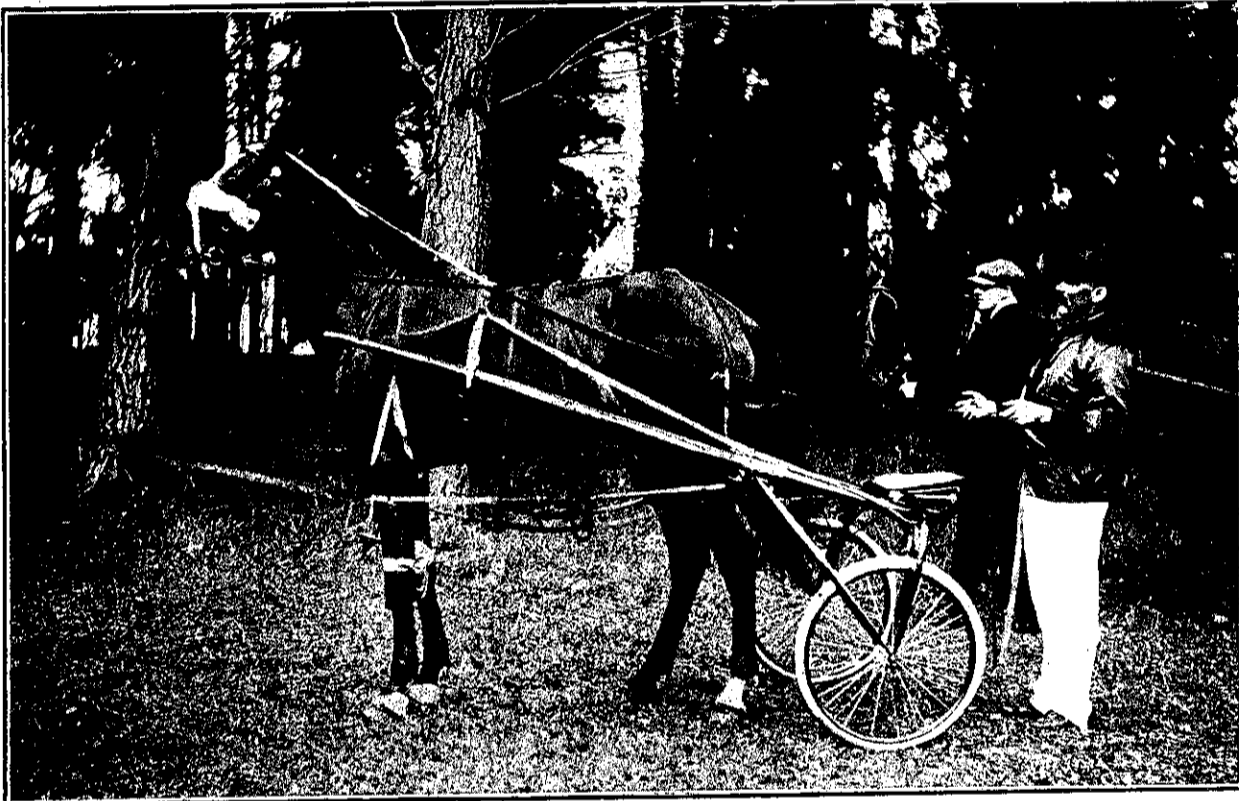
Won by twenty lengths. Time, 4min 20sec.

CONSOLATION HANDICAP of 20sovs; second 5sovs from stake. One mile.

J. W. Johnston's Navigator, 25sec (owner) 1
 R. Fiske's Maori Prince, 30sec (owner) 2
 Thorn and Dorn's Grey Lock, 25sec (Roe) 3
 Also started: Prince Randall scratch (owner), Makauri Lass 5sec (owner), Merira 18sec (owner), Bravo 30sec (J. Marsh), Vain Annie 30sec (H. Cooper), Miss Floyd 50sec (Whitehead).

Won by eight lengths, four lengths between second and third. Time, 3min 57sec.

R. Kidd, who years ago followed the occupation of a jockey in New Zealand and with a considerable measure of success, but who has been in business in America for some years, after a long holiday in his native town, returns to Nevada on Saturday by the Makura.



Mr. T. F. Thompson's b m WINNIPEG, 4yrs, by General Lyons—Needle work, winner of the Hammond Handicap (one mile and a distance) at the Wanganui Trotting Club's Cup Carnival.

CANTERBURY NOTES.

(By Telegraph—Christchurch Correspondent.)

That promising three-year-old filly, Edith A, who went amiss at the Forbury Park meeting, is now quite sound again, and has been re-commissioned by J. Lagan. All going well with her Edith A is a certain starter for the New Brighton Trotting Derby, for which she is likely to start a staunch favourite.

The action of the New Zealand Trotting Club in making all nomination fees for its Easter meeting £1 has been well received by horse owners. No doubt the innovation will lead to bumper nominations, though the acceptances are sure to suffer in comparison.

Both the trotting events at the Akaroa County meeting drew huge leads; in fact, there were as many competitors in them as in all of the other events put together. As usual they were made the medium of much speculation, though in neither case did the actual favourites prevail. Black Arrow, son of Gerald Lincoln and Minto, outstayed the favourite, Elms Junior, at the finish of the Waihora Trot, although the latter showed most speed in the early stages. Elmo Junior, who is by Lord Elmo from Ilam, is engaged in the New Brighton Trotting Derby, but he will have to show greatly improved form to have the least chance with such Edith A and General Wood. Quite the best performance put up in the race was that recorded by the scratch horse, Almond, who, after losing some eight seconds at the start, finished within four seconds of the winner. In the Waiwera Trot backers had a

them:—1. Was the plaintiff on December 2nd, 1913, owner of the horse Michael Galindo?—Yes. 2. Was the horse on the day run into and injured by a mare owned by the defendant?—Yes. 3. If not, was the accident caused by the horse being frightened by the mare?—Yes. 4. Had the defendant negligently and improperly allowed the mare to be then wandering on the track?—Yes; through the insecurity of the gate fastening. 5. Was the mare on the evening of December 1 put into and locked up in a paddock?—Yes. 6. Was the defendant negligent in not ascertaining before the time of the accident that the mare was on the track?—Yes. 7. Was the interference of Royce Tasker with the mare the proximate cause of the accident?—No. 8. What damages (if any) is the plaintiff entitled to recover?—£200 damages, including veterinary surgeon's fee, the gates in the opinion of the jury being insecurely fastened, in that the drawbolt does not answer its purpose, being too short, the padlock on the gate being of no use to prevent the opening of the gates. The judgment and question of costs were reserved for further consideration, either party to be at liberty to move for same.

GENERAL NOTES.

Nominations for the Auckland Trotting Club's autumn meeting are due on March 20th.

The Auckland Trotting Club is out with a splendid programme of events to be run for at their autumn meeting, the two chief races being worth £250 each.

In next week's issue a series of photographs taken at the Poverty Bay

less, one second. In Russia the horses race in classes governed by the money won. For instance, a horse is in a certain class until he has won £200, or whatever the arbitrary amount is. He moves up to the next division and on as he wins, so that the horses have about the same ability.

POVERTY BAY TROTTING CLUB. ANNUAL MEETING.

The Poverty Bay Trotting Club held their second annual meeting at the Park Racecourse on Thursday last, fine weather prevailing for the fixture, which was liberally patronised. The advance the club has made since its last gathering was noticeable by the class of horses engaged in the various events, and some excellent racing was witnessed. The secretary, Mr. P. G. Andrew, and the other officials worked hard to ensue the success of the gathering, and with such keen enthusiasts at the head of affairs the future prospects of the club are indeed bright. The results were as follows:—

MAIDEN TROT (Open) of 25sovs; second 5sovs from stake. One mile and a-half.

F. A. Piper's gr g Count Warwick, by Count Beldon—Warwick mare (owner) 1
 T. Cooper's Melinda May (J. W. Johnston) 2
 R. Fiske's Maori Prince (owner) .. 3
 Also started: Lady Lennox (owner), Lord Dexter (owner), Hiki (owner), Makauri P. (owner), George Patch (Whitehead), Lady Blackchild (owner), Murimuri (Collier), Emile (S. Greaves), Vain Annie (H. Cooper), Nellie Jean (owner), Kilindo (R. Hanse), Bravo (J. Marsh).
 Won by several lengths. Melinda May, who finished second, broke badly before entering the straight and spoilt her prospects of winning. Time, 4min 35sec.

TRIAL HANDICAP (Open) of 35sovs; second 5sovs from stake. One mile and a-half.

S. Wootton's rn g Sam Dillon, by Harold Dillon, 30sec (owner) .. 1
 T. Cooper's Melinda May, 20sec

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TURF GOSSIP.

(From our Traveling Correspondent).

MARTON, March 9.

Quite one of the features of the Dannevirke meeting last week was the series of successes gained by J. W. Sceats, who, at the beginning of this season set up as a public trainer at Woodville. Horses trained by him fared particularly well, winning no less than three races, while they occupied second place on two occasions. As the horses all paid remunerative prices, followers of the stable experienced a happy time indeed.

J. Hennau leaves Wellington on Friday next for Sydney, taking with him Continuanee and a couple of lesser lights in the racing world. With his little team, "Jack" should fare well in his exploits across the Tasman Sea.

J. O'Shea and W. Bell, with three wins to their credit, were the most successful riders at the Dannevirke meeting last week. E. Lowe and B. Deeley followed closely with a brace apiece. Others to win on one occasion were W. D. Young, A. Oliver, W. Weller, W. Price, L. Traill and L. Wilson.

Mr. B. Coyle's adjustments for the first day's events of the Napier Park K.C. Autumn meeting, which takes place on Friday and Saturday next, have drawn a capital acceptance list. With recent form to guide him the handicapper appears to have pleased the majority of owners, who usually attend the Greenmeadows gatherings in large numbers.

Montano, for whom I had a good word to say in the previous week's issue of the "Review," bore out the good opinion I formed of him by winning the Maiden Plate at Dannevirke on Wednesday last. The dividend returned by the son of Elevation—Grecian Maid was the largest paid during the progress of the two days' racing. The horse's owner, Mr. W. Cooper, of Te Ore Ore, Masterton was present to see his galloper win and he participated in the substantial price paid by the winner.

Firing Line is a cut above the ordinary, and will win in better com-

pany than was opposed to him at Dannevirke, where the gelding won a couple.

A regular bungle was made in the acceptance list for the Kaitoke Welter on the second day at Dannevirke. Some horses were in the book that never claimed engagements, while others were left out. Maniau's name was missing from the "Krect" card, and, as usually happens, the horse won. Monologue's name was also omitted, and he finished in third place. A large number of people were not aware that Maniau was in the race, and there were many murmurings when the horse won. The incident did not redound to the credit of the club, and it is hoped that there will never be a recurrence of such an unfortunate omission.

Visitors at the Dannevirke meeting last week had the unique experience of witnessing a water cart parading the lawn, from which the back portion thereof omitted water, which was scattered about broadcast, much to the consternation of a number of the club's patrons, some of whom received a liberal sprinkling. The step of watering the lawn was necessitated through the large amount of dust that was floating about and which amounted to a positive nuisance. Visitors to the club's meetings in the future will not be troubled with the dust, as the club's grounds by that time (September) will be more solidified and grown with grass.

The many friends of E. Murtagh and J. Conquest, who each received a severe knocking about through their mounts falling at the Wanganui meeting, will be glad to know that both riders have recovered sufficiently to leave the hospital. Murtagh was discharged on Wednesday last and Conquest on the following day. They are both feeling the effects of their injuries, but a little care and attention will again soon see these popular riders following their usual callings.

Mr. J. R. McDonald, the well-known Levin sportsman, was a visitor to the Dannevirke meeting last week after a somewhat severe illness. Mr. McDonald's many friends were pleased to notice a decided change for the better, and the hope is expressed that the popular owner will soon be re-

stored to his usual robust state of health.

Blue Mount, who will in future be trained by G. Neich, of Clareville, will run in the joint interests of Messrs. Percy F. Wall, of Hatuma, and C. E. Twist, of Greenmeadows.

R. Hockley, of Dannevirke, has a promising sort in his stable in Seamstress, a three-year-old mare by Needlegun—Miro, who the writer predicts to turn out very useful.

J. S. O'Neill, the Hastings trainer, produced Merry Jack at the Dannevirke meeting, and under the circumstances did well in running second to Firing Line, who is a cut above the ordinary. With another gallop or two Merry Jack should be doing his owner, Mr. J. Polton, some useful service.

It seemed a pity to start Lord Renown at Dannevirke after the chestnut's poor showing at Wanganui. The son of Kenown is obviously in need of a well-earned spell.

Master Malachi will soon be catching the judge's eye in a hurdle race. The gelding gave an excellent display when he was produced on the second day at Dannevirke, and is evidently the makings of a decent hurdler. He is a member of J. W. Sceats' team.

Combustion is a useful sort, but he is not yet quite ready. When a little more seasoned, the chestnut son of Bombardo should certainly do G. Morris some good service. The Marton owner is badly in need of something to take the place of the well-known hurdler of that name, who was recently disqualified in Australia.

There will be a big contingent of sports from these parts on Thursday next for the purpose of attending the Autumn meeting of the Napier Park Racing Club, which takes place on Friday and Saturday next.

Mr. W. H. Bowden, of Kaiwarra, near Wellington, was represented at the Dannevirke meeting with Hush-a-bye, a horse that ran as green as it looked. It is a two-year-old by Achilles—Berceuse, but is not yet fit to race.

Mr. G. Glenn, of Makirikiri, up the Wanganui River, has a budding aspirant for racing honours in Protocol, a two-year-old filly by Signor—Armistice, who, if appearances count for

anything, cannot help but turn out useful. The youngster, who is trained by F. Tilley at Fordell, is assured of a prosperous career.

W. Weller, who does not get many opportunities as he is gaining in avoirdupois, rode a capital race on Mescal on the opening day at Dannevirke, just getting his mount home after a strenuous set-to with Mystery-arch. As he can go to scale in the region of 7st 10lb, his services should be in demand during the next few months. Weller is attached to F. Tilley's establishment.

Provided he sees the post, Okana should keep his opponents busy in hurdle events at the Napier Park meeting, while Composed will also run well.

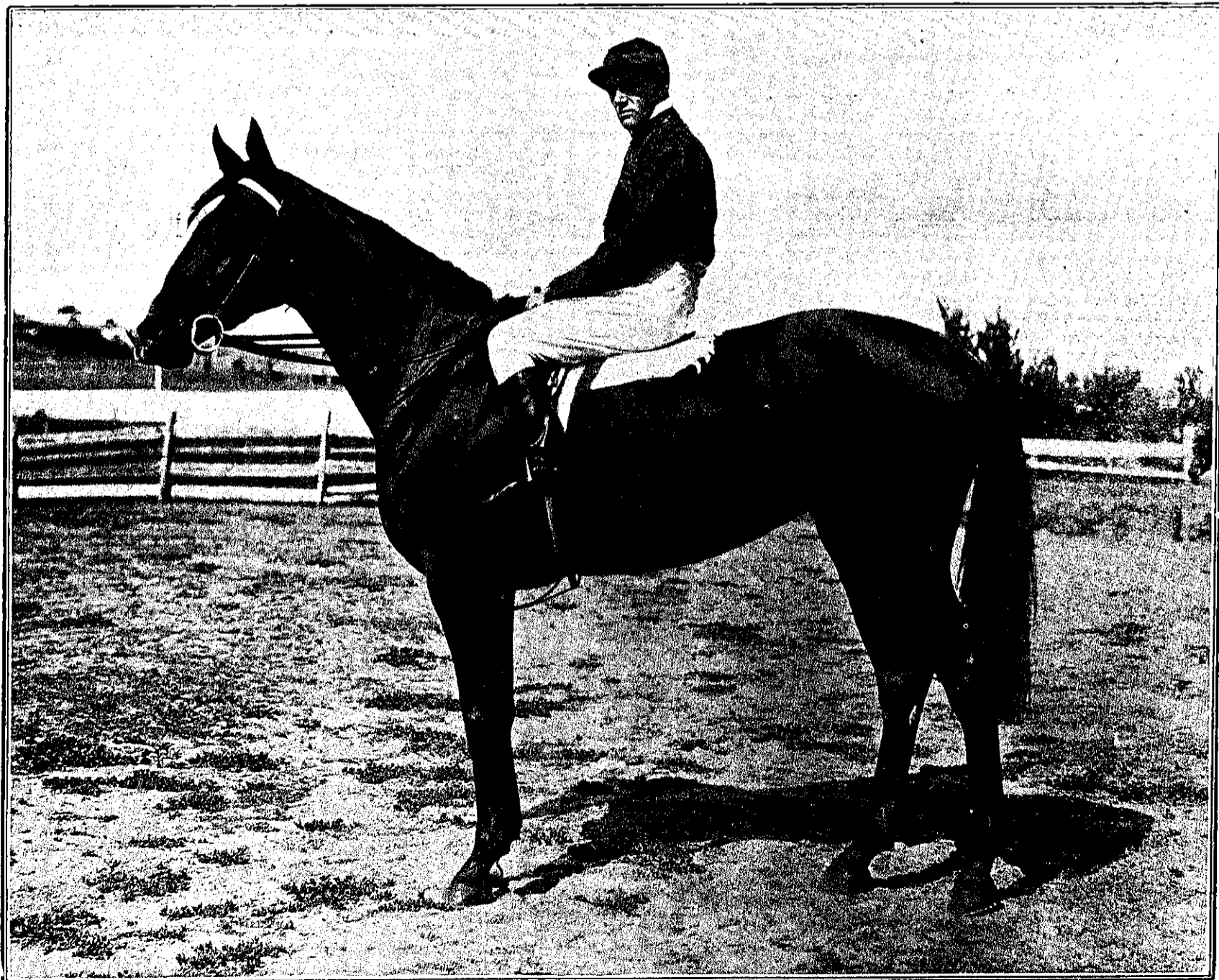
Te Huhuti will be seen out at the Napier Park meeting. This son of Daunt—Melba ran third in the Hack Scurry at Dannevirke, and is evidently coming on.

Perceler will be a hard horse to beat in the Napier Park Cup, of one mile and a-quarter, as the chestnut led the field in the Dannevirke Cup for a similar distance.

The Settler, who has been running with some bad luck this season, is to compete at the Napier Park meeting. A win for Mr. Paul Hunter would be properly received in sporting circles.

T. Wilson, the Awapuni owner-trainer, is busy getting Powder Fox and Classis ready for their forthcoming engagements. The pair are destined to assist at the Rangitikei meeting.

The Victorian Amateur Turf Club had a really fine meeting. The racing was good, except in the jumping events, and, fortunately, according to the "Australasian," there were only two of them. The steeplechasers were the sorriest lot we have seen on a leading course for some time. There is no cruelty in running horses over fences in summer when the landing is tempered to the poor old creak and the going in between is just as good as the flat racers get, but in this matter times have changed, and owners have done the changing. They will not run good horses over fences in the summer. When the winter season comes on there will be no lack of jumping horses to fill the big races.



THE SEVENTEENTH CAULFIELD FUTURITY STAKES (SEVEN FUR LONGS) WINNER, 1914.—MESSRS. H. BOLTON AND W. BOOTH'S BLK F BRATTLE, 3YRS, BY MALTSTER—ASTRON. W. H. McLACHLAN in saddle.

TURF RESULTS.

DANNEVIRKE RACING CLUB.

AUTUMN MEETING.

THE CUP WON BY KOOYA.

FIRST DAY.

(From our own Correspondent.)

DANNEVIRKE, March 4.

The Dannevirke Racing Club were favoured with fine weather for the opening day of their autumn gathering, which took place to-day. The attendance was very satisfactory, visitors being present from all parts of the country, amongst the prominent sporting folk seen promenading on the lawn being Mr W. Hume and Mr G. Hume (Wairarapa), Mr. G. Hunter, M.P. (Porangahau) Mr F. Armstrong and Mr. J. Armstrong (Akiteo), Hon. F. M. B. Fisher, M.P., Sir James Carroll, M.P., Mr. J. E. McIvor (Hastings), Mr. Wiri Tokena, Mr. K. White and Mr. E. J. White, of Porangahau, and many others whose names are not remembered at the moment.

The occasion was a red letter day in the history of the club, as it marked the opening of the new grandstand and all the buildings usually associated with the up-to-date appliances to be found on metropolitan courses of this country. The grandstand was formally opened by the club's president, Mr. G. Hunter, M.P., who, in a happy speech, welcomed the club's many visitors and trusted they would have an enjoyable time. A reply was made by the Hon. F. M. B. Fisher, M.P., who voiced the opinion of hundreds of those present at the capital and substantial structures that the club had erected, and which should satisfy the demands of the institution for many years to come.

Mr. Skipwith, assisted by Mr. H. Shanly, was very successful at the barrier, their send-offs being very satisfactory, the fields in practically every event moving off in a perfect line.

Money was fairly plentiful, the totalisator staff handling £15,063 during the afternoon, compared with £10,071 for the corresponding day last year, the increase for to-day's gathering showing an increase of practically £5000 compared with the autumn meeting of 1913.

Mr. J. McMahon, chief stipendiary steward, was in attendance, and with the exception of a few minor inquiries by the official named, everything passed off without a hitch.

The secretarial duties in Mr. R. Table's hands were carried out in a highly satisfactory manner, as he had all the details of the meeting at his finger ends, everything passing off very enjoyably. Results:—

MAIDEN PLATE of 65sovs; second 10 sovs, third 5sovs from the stake. Four furlongs and a-half. Weight, 8.0.

- 10—W. Cooper's br g Montano, by Plevation—Greclan Maid, 3yrs (J. O'Shea) 1
6—J. Mann's b f Mystified, by Mystification—Stepdaughter, 3yrs (A. Reid) 2
5—J. Bull's (junr.) ch g New York, by Frisco—Karaka, 3yrs (B. Deeley) 3

Also started: 3 Vladineau (W. Bell), 15 Master Stent (J. Wairoa), 7 Whispeper (W. O'Halloran), 9 Haumakaka (H. Watson), 2 Miss Lena (R. Berry), 13 Sarabelle (E. Manson), 8 Whakahoki (C. Rollo), 4 Te Huhutu (R. Hunt), 12 Alices (L. Wilson), 11 Meritorious carried 8.10 (F. Meagher), 17 Val (W. Weller), 17 Komako carried 8.3 (E. Lowe), 19 Territorial carried 8.2 (L. Watson), 14 Waimarino (H. Young), 1 Rangiwhehu (R. Young), 16 Seamstress (C. Carmont), 18 Poherau (O. McCarten).

The big field, who were stretched right across the course, got away to a splendid start, and coming into the straight Moutano was leading a bunched field, with New York coming fast. The former held his own in the run to the post and won by three-parts of a length, with half a length separating second and third. Time, 56sec.

(Winner trained by J. T. Jamieson.) At the conclusion of the race the stewards inquired into the reason why Mystified was allowed to swerve in on New York and after taking evidence, A. Reid, the rider of Mystified, was cautioned and recommended to be more careful for the future. The stewards took a lenient view of the matter, as the interference, in their opinion, did not affect the result of the race.

TAHORAITI HACK WELTER of 80 sovs; second 10sovs, third 5sovs from the stake. Seven furlongs.

- 1—H. R. Telford's b g Firing Line, by St. Ambrose—Kokiri, 5yrs, 8.8 (E. Lowe) 1
5—J. Polton's br g Merry Jack, by Merriwee—Rosewater, 4yrs, 8.3 (W. Price) 2
6—G. Morris' ch c Combustion, by Bombardo—Combine, 4yrs, 8.8 (S. Henderson) 3

Also started: 3 St. Elmn 8.12 (L. Wilson), 2 Bodenham 8.8 (B. Deeley), 4 Bonus 8.0 (W. Bell), 7 Fusilier 8.0 (R. Young).

Bonus and Combustion led into the straight, when Firing Line came on the scene, and running generously, won easily by four lengths, with a length separating second and third. Bonus was fourth. No time taken. (Winner trained by owner.)

NURSERY HANDICAP of 85sovs; second 10sovs, third 5sovs from stake. Four furlongs and a-half. For two-year-olds.

- 2—D. McLeod's ch c Tavistock, by Vasco—Mayhap, 7.5 (J. O'Shea) 1
2—G. Hunter's ch g Indigo, by Mystification—Mungesta, 8.0 (L. Wilson) 2
1—"Mr. Highden's" b f La Favourita, by King Rufus—Inamorata, 7.12 (W. Bell) 3

Also started: 8 Gold Rush 7.8 (W. O'Halloran), 4 King's Boy 7.8 (B. Deeley), 7 Ararat 7.5 (H. Young), 6 Proctocal 7.5 (C. Carmont), 5 Eleevonia 7.5 (R. Berry), 9 Hush-a-bye 7.5 (H. Watson).

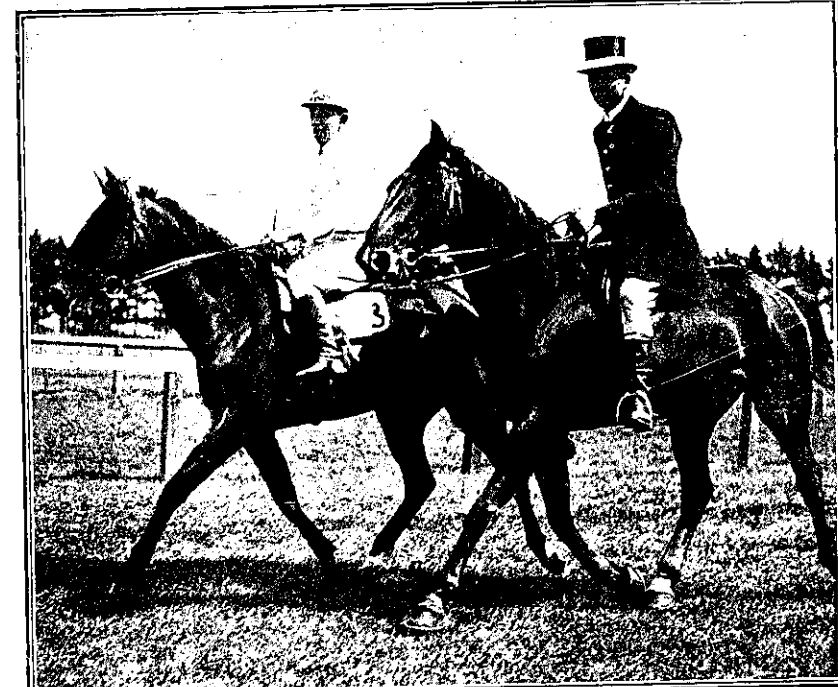
Tavistock was always in a handy position, and in an excellent finish won by a bare half length, with La Favourita three-parts of a length away third, Eleevonia, who showed up prominently in the early stages, was close up fourth, with the others some little distance further back. Time, 55 2-5sec. (Winner trained by J. W. Sceats.)

DANNEVIRKE CUP of 200sovs; second 20sovs, and third 10sovs from stake. One mile and a-half.

- 1—D. Kemp's br f Kooya, by Signalman—Koi Ano, 4yrs, 7.3, inc. 10lb pen. (W. Bell) 1
4—P. Hunter's ch g Settler, by Waiuku—Seraph, 7.3 (R. Hunt) 2
2—K. White's br g Braeburn, by Sir Laddo—Tuhirangi, 5yrs, 7.2 (J. O'Shea) 3

Also started: 3 Lord Renown 9.8 (H. Tricklebank), 5 Mangaroa 7.13 (Rollo), 8 First Consul 7.3 (A. Reid), 7 Eocene 7.2 (R. Berry), 9 Perceler 6.8 (H. Young), 6 Trieze 6.7 (C. Carmont), 9 Montreal 6.7 (J. Meagher).

Perceler was the first to find his feet, and passing the stands on the first circuit the chestnut was leading from Eocene and Settler, with the others handy, going round the back Perceler was still at the head of affairs, while Kooya, Braeburn and Settler could be seen improving their positions. Perceler was first into the straight, closely followed by Kooya, a little further on Perceler began to tire, while Kooya came along with a well-timed run, and being vigorously ridden, won by a neck with Braeburn a length away third, the



THE ROVER (L. Traill), after annexing the Westmere Hurdle Race (two miles) at the Wanganui J.C.'s Autumn Meeting.

next two to finish in the order named were Trieze and Perceler, with the others beaten off. Time, 2min 35sec. (Winner trained by owner.)

HACK HANDICAP HURDLES of 100 sovs; second 10sovs, third 5sovs from the stake. One mile and three-quarters.

- 1—A. Atwood's br g Papalitz, by Papakura—Austerlitz, 4yrs, 9.6 (W. D. Young) 1
2—E. Limbrick's b g Composed, by San Fran—Aio, 6yrs, 9.6 (H. Tricklebank) 2
4—F. J. Carmont's b g Stockade, by Tupuhi—Kempfenfeldt mare, 9.3 (F. Meagher) 3

Also started: 3 Marblehead 11.13 (J. Deerey), 6 Sunrose 9.2 (G. Marchant), 7 Omanawa 9.2 (R. Wilson), 5 Master Malachi 9.0 (L. Wilson).

Passing the stands on the first round Sunrose was showing the way, followed closely by Marblehead and Papalitz, the latter made a faulty jump round the back and came down on his nose, but the gelding made a splendid recovery, and soon joined his field. Coming into the straight Composed and Stockade were on terms, with Papalitz coming fast, the latter was in front half-way up the running, and coming on nicely won by three lengths, with a length and a-half separating second and third. Marblehead, who came fast up the straight, was fourth, while Omanawa was last. Time, 3min 18sec.



GROUP OF PROMINENT TROTTERING AND RACING ENTHUSIASTS. From left: Messrs. G. Currie, Dr. Grant, H. R. McKenzie, J. Rowe, J. Williamson.

ELECTRIC HACK HANDICAP of 70 sovs; second 10sovs, third 5sovs from the stake. Six furlongs.

- 1—D. McLeod's b g Zeus, by Martian—Stephanie, 3yrs, 9.6, inc. 5lb pen. (A. Oliver) 1
5—P. Hunter's b g Mysterum, by San Fran—Mystic, 7.0 (R. Hunt) 2
6—H. Stannard's ch g Sir Alba, by Sir Laddo—St. Alba, 7.9 (J. Kemp) 3

Also started: 2 Powder Fox 8.5 (R. Berry), 4 Microbe 8.3 (C. Stowe), 3 Mystified 7.0 (C. Carmont).

Powder Fox and Zeus with Mystified were prominent to the turn, where Zeus soon took the measure of his opponents, and galloping well won easily by a couple of lengths, with a bare half length separating second and third. Powder Fox was close up fourth. Time, 1min 17sec. (Winner trained by J. W. Sceats.)

TAMAKI WELTER of 115sovs; second 15sovs, third 10sovs from the stake. One mile and 50 yards.

- 2—A. Leicester's b g Mescal, by Handsome Jack—Merope, aged, 8.1 (W. Weller) 1
1—G. Hunter's b g Mysterlarch, by Mystification—Stepdaughter, 4 yrs, 9.3, inc. 10lb pen. (L. Wilson) 2
7—R. Hockley's ch g Montreal, by Obligado—Rosewater, aged, 7.7 (C. Carmont) 3

Also started: 5 Matlow 8.2 (W. O'Halloran), 4 Parewanui 7.9 (R. Berry), 3 Merry Jack 7.6 (W. Bell), 8 Miriam 7.6 (H. Young), 6 Boronia 7.6 (J. O'Shea). Parewanui led at the rise of the bar-

their claims and in a good finish the former won by a couple of lengths, while Ladify, who was slow to get going, was a neck away third. Rigo Park was close up fourth. Time, 1min 30sec. (Winner trained by owner.)

SECOND DAY.

The weather conditions were favourable for the concluding day of the meeting, which eventuated on Thursday. The attendance was again very satisfactory, visitors being present in large numbers from all parts of the country.

Some capital racing was witnessed, the finishes in several of the events being a well deserved tribute to the excellent work of the club's handicapper (Mr. J. E. Henrys).

All the officials worked with a will, and everything points to the club having a very successful future.

The sum of £14,532 was handled by the totalisator staff, against £11,567 that was dealt with on the corresponding day last year, making a grand total for the meeting of £29,595, this being an increase on last year's figures of £7,957, truly a very successful result to a successful meeting.

The buildings, a photograph of which appeared in our columns some time back, are probably the most convenient and ample to be found on any race-course in the North Island. The appointments are thoroughly up-to-date, and visitors came away well endowed with the opinion that the club, who has supported many disabilities in the past with regard to their property, are now on the high road to prosperity. With Mr. G. Hunter, M.P., at the head of affairs, the Dannevirke club is assured of a very prosperous career.

The various buildings were designed by Mr. O. A. Jorgensen, architect, of Palmerston North, and were constructed by Messrs. J. H. Fairhurst, Ltd., of Dannevirke, in a thoroughly capable manner.

Mr. R. Takle created a favourable impression by the admirable manner in which he attended to the business side of the meeting, and one and all came away pleased with his conduct of the gathering.

The starting to-day was again capital, there being nothing to find fault with under this heading, while, as is usual with Mr. Hartgill, his decisions were hoisted promptly and accurately.

Money was fairly plentiful, Messrs. Marrett and Fox, who were in charge of the totalisator department, handling £14,532 during the afternoon, compared with £11,567 that was dealt with on the corresponding day last year, making a total for the meeting of £29,595, against £21,638 that found its way through the machine at the autumn meeting of 1914, being an increase of £7,957 for the two days. Results:—

HACK SCURRY of 65sovs; second 10 sovs, third 5sovs from the stake. Five furlongs. All weight, 8.10.

- 1—J. Bull's (junr.) ch g New York, by Frisco—Karaka, 3yrs (B. Deeley) 1
4—W. Beard's ch m Vladineau, by Vladimir—Noveau, 4yrs (Bell) 2
6—Taranaki te Na's b m Te Huhutu, by Daunt—Melba, 5yrs (R. Hunt) 3

Also started: 10 Master Stent (H. Lorrigan), 5 Whispeper (W. O'Halloran), 4 Haumakaka (R. Berry), 3 Miss Lena (A. Oliver), 9 Sarabelle (E. Manson), 11 Glenorchy (E. Lowe), 9 Meritorious (F. Meagher), 7 Val (W. Young), 8 Janitor (W. Price), 2 Rangiwhehu (R. Young), 13 Seamstress (C. Carmont), 12 Poiherau (O. McCarten).

Miss Lena was the smartest to begin, and the bay mare was still in front when heads were turned for home. Half-way up the straight she faded out of the contest, while New York, on the rails, and Vladineau, on the outside, made a forward move, and in an exciting finish the former won by the narrowest of heads, with Te Huhutu a length away. Whispeper, who showed some pace, over the later portion of the journey, was fourth. Time, 1min 3 sec. (Winner trained by H. Pritchard.)

MANGATERA HACK WELTER of 75 sovs; second 10sovs, third 5sovs from the stake. Seven furlongs.

- 1—F. G. Roe's b f Ladify, by Sir Laddo—Probability, 3yrs, 7.12 (B. Deeley) 1
2—S. W. Tatham's br g Orleans, by Conqueror—Jeanne d'Arc, 4yrs, 8.2 (R. Berry) 2
6—W. J. Douglas' b g Whakahoki, by San Fran—Maid of Astolat, 3yrs, 7.0 (C. Carmont) 3

Also started: 7 Bodenham 7.9 (O. McCarten), 3 Combustion 7.2 (W. Bell), 4 Mysterium 7.0 (R. Hunt), 5 No Idea 6.12 (H. Watson), 9 Fusilier 6.12 (R. Manson), 8 Lady Teazle 6.7 (A. Reid).

Combustion was the quickest to move, and being in a handy position Bell was content to keep to the rails, and his mount was first into the straight, with Ladify coming fast on the outside, the latter came well at the finish and won cleverly by two lengths, with Whakahoki three-parts of a length away third, followed closely by Combustion, with the others beaten off. Time, 1min 30sec. (Winner trained by F. J. Carmont.)

At the conclusion of the race the stewards held an inquiry into R. Berry's handling of his mount (Orleans) as his horsemanship was not satisfactory in their opinion. After hearing evidence from those immediately concerned, and also the owner's testimony, the stewards reprimanded Berry and administered a severe caution and at the same time stated they were not satisfied with his riding of Orleans.

JUVENILE HANDICAP of 75sovs; second 10sovs, third 5sovs from stake. Five furlongs.

- 2—D. McLeod's ch c Tavistock, by Vasco—Mayhap, 2yrs, 8.5 (J. O'Shea) 1
1—G. Hunter's ch g Indigo, by Mystification—Mungesta, 2yrs, 8.4 (L. Wilson) 2
4—J. Ames' br f Eleevonia, by Eleevonia—Livonia, 2yrs, 6.12 (R. Berry) 3

Also started: 3 La Favourita 7.11 (J. Hastie) and Marceline 7.4 (W. Bell) coupled on totalisator, 6 Gold Rush 6.13 (R. Manson), 5 Ararat 6.12 (H. Young).

14 Glucian 7.5 (J. Percival), 12 Errant Belle 7.4 (H. Stockley), 10 Cogent 7.4 (E. McDevitt), 15 Chris 7.4 (R. H. Martin).

Revelation was quickest away, and with Starket the pair carried on the running to the straight entrance. The former was first into the straight, and galloping resolutely, won by a length and a-half, with Hamlet half a length away third. Iridescence was fourth. Time 1min 5sec.

(Winner trained by G. Whale.)
AROHIA WELTER HANDICAP of 55 sovs; second 7sovs, third 3sovs from the stake. Seven furlongs.

- 5—J. Collins' b m Parawai, by Blue Light—Seamstress, aged, 8.2 (R. Trigger) 1
 - 2—H. Wilson's br g St. Francis, by San Francisco—Miss Gladys, 3 yrs 7.13 (J. Buchanan) 2
 - 8—E. Plaisted's b h Master Theory, by Sout—Romulo, 6yrs, 7.2 (R. E. Brown) 3
- Also started: 4 Admiral Soult 9.5 (J. O'Shea), 6 Watchchain 8.6 (A. J. McFlynn), 3 Lady Elgiva 7.10 (D. Gunning), 1 Pupura 7.9 (C. Brown), 7 Excavator 7.8 (F. McDevitt).

Watchchain led over the first part, and then St. Francis took up the running, closely followed by Parawai, both horses came into the straight on terms, and in a good finish the latter won by a short neck, with Master Theory half a length away third. Pupura was fourth. Time, 1min 32 3-5sec.

(Winner trained by owner.)
 During the running of the race Watchchain fell and Admiral Soult also came to grief, both horses falling in a heap. J. O'Shea who was on Admiral Soult, and A. McFlynn, on Watchchain, got a severe knocking about, and under the circumstances they had a remarkable escape from serious injury.

FAREWELL HANDICAP of 45sovs; second 5sovs from the stake. Five furlongs.

Rapid, Eglinton, Icel, Galvata, North-East, Hauera, Bercola, Loopline, Riro Atu, Addnought, Te Onga, Glenmore, Kaurora.

ACCEPTANCES.

OHINEMURI JOCKEY CLUB.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The following are the acceptances for the first day of the Ohinemuri Jockey Club's annual meeting, which opens on Saturday (March 14):—

SHORTS HANDICAP, four furlongs.—Positive 9.5, Hohungatahi 8.5, Kotiripo 7.10, Arawa 7.9, Manurere 7.9, Mighty Atom 7.6, Blue Rose 7.6, Revelation 7.5, Sir Walter 7.3, Dandy Breeze 7.2, Lady Walkiri 7.0, Acid Drop 6.10, Cogent 6.10, Catharina 6.7.

NETHERTON WELTER, seven furlongs.—Gloy 9.9, Admiral Soult 9.6, Almeida 9.5, Tamainupo 9.0, Worcester 8.12, Parawai 8.8, Pet 8.7, Pupura 8.7, Otaiata 8.6, Santiago 8.4, St. Francis 8.3, Maisonette 8.0.

HANDICAP HURDLES, one mile and three-quarters.—Black Northern 11.8, Cloudy Dawn 11.2, Pip 10.5, Ambergris 9.13, Vestal 9.10, Icel 9.5, Kaihere 9.0, Pearl 9.0, Oban 9.0, Aidem 9.0, Clare 9.0.

KARANGAHAKE HANDICAP, five furlongs.—Positive 9.3, Spalfish 9.2, Kotiripo 7.11, Munster 7.8, Yankee Doodle 7.7, Manurere 7.5, Obdurate 7.3, Marangai 6.10, Harenao 6.10, Sir Walter 6.8, Starket 6.7.

OHINEMURI CUP, one mile and a-quarter.—Jolie Fille 8.12, Devastation 7.13, Gloy 7.8, Admiral Soult 7.6, Almeida 7.3, Miss Livonia 7.3, Lady Elgiva 6.11, Master Theory 6.11, Ovation 6.11.

KOMATA HANDICAP, six furlongs.—Revelation 9.0, Gallupin 8.3, Chasm 8.0, Signature 7.12, Soulbine 7.12, Lady Walkiri 7.12, Chris 7.11, Silver Lupin 7.11, Acid Drop 7.10, Catharina 7.10, King of

TURF TOPICS.

BUSINESS ITEMS.

IMPORTANT RAND SALE.

Tranquette has apparently trained off.

Virgilia, by Tartan from Georgie, who won the Cambridgeshire for the Hon J. White when sent to England, won the Paramatta Mile at the Rosehill meeting on March 2nd.

If the nominations for the Auckland R.C. Easter Handicap are a guide, it would appear likely that Flora McDonald, Bonny Helen, Merry Roe, and others will measure strides in the Great Northern Oaks.

Master Delaval, carrying 9.12 in a 6.7 minimum race, was a competitor in India recently in the Andheri Plate at Bombay. Mordialtoc, an Australian-bred one, carried 6.12 and won.

M. McGrath, one time of the Wairarapa, who took O'Siris and some others to Australia, trained Wallalo for his Australian Cup engagement, and would no doubt benefit to some extent as the owner and rider came out so well.

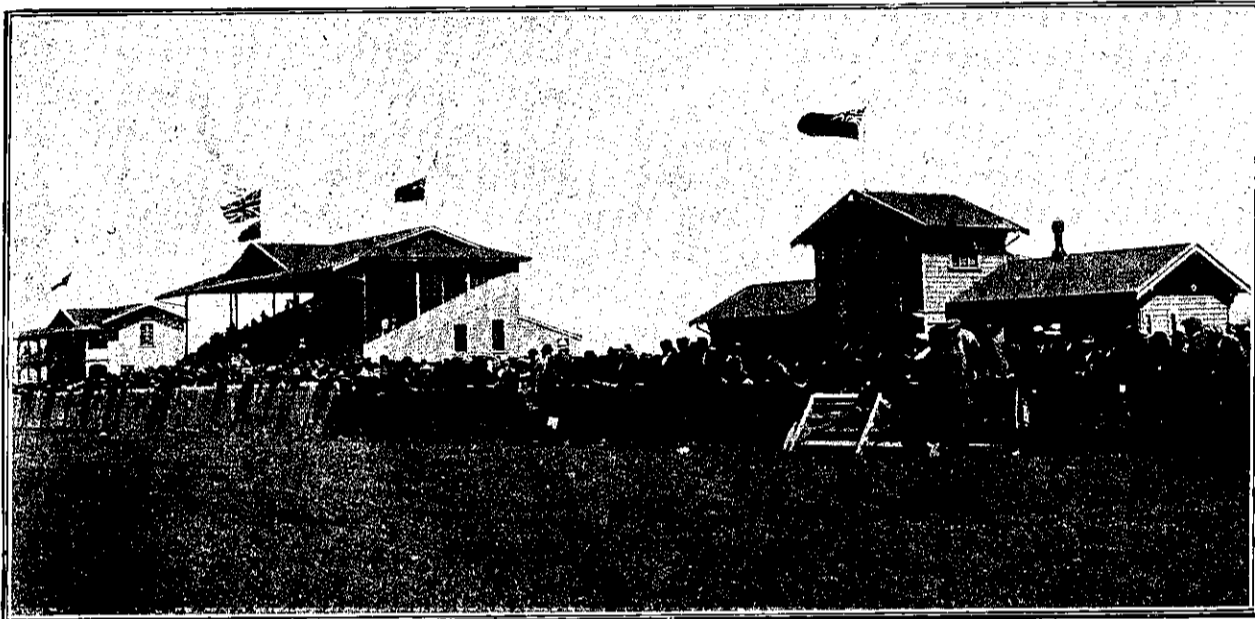
A report comes to us that a proposal is to be brought under the notice of the Racing Conference that horseman should, after entering the

A most important land sale of the well-known Karaka Estate, situated close to Papakura, will be held at the Chamber of Commerce, Swanson St., on Friday April 24th, at 2 p.m. The Karaka Estate, consisting of 5200 acres of land well adapted for dairy purposes, has been subdivided into 50 suitable dairy farms, ranging from 30 to 200 acres. The estate is one particularly suited for dairy farms, which has been proved by the fact that at the second subdivision of the estate, nearly the whole of the sections were purchased by dairymen who milk for the city supply. The central position of the Karaka Estate is of great value, being accessible from three railway stations, the distance being approximately 2½ miles from Papakura, two miles from Paerata, and three miles from Runciman. There is a splendid homestead on the estate, fitted with up-to-date requirements, then there are also two houses with several sheds on different parts of the property. There is also a school on the estate, which has been ploughed and thoroughly worked and laid down with best English grasses. From an investors point of view it should be at once remunerative, and the keen interest which has been shown by intending buyers at the forthcoming sale is an indication of the splendid value of the land in the Karaka Estate. The terms are exceedingly easy, and we would direct attention to the advertisement which appears in our advertising column, giving a description of the property, and we strongly advise those of our readers who desire a perfectly sound and profitable investment to secure plans of the estate, which can be obtained from the Land Department of the New Zealand Loan and Mercantile Co., Ltd., who, in conjunction with Messrs. Alfred Buckland and Sons, will conduct the sale by auction on Friday, April 24th, at 2 p.m.

Ireland was recently emasculated and chloroformed for the operation in Victoria.

Flying machines are the fashion just now, but Mr. Justice Denniston thought the language was somewhat extravagant when a witness at the Supreme Court the other day commenced speaking about a horse as a flying machine. His Honour thought that such description was verging upon the ridiculous.

Notwithstanding the possibilities in the way of revenue in connection with the totalisator in New South Wales, it is understood the Government will not make any move for its legalisation this session, but may possibly do so later. From this I take it (says "Pilot" in the Sydney "Referee") that machine-betting is as far off as ever in this State, though if the wishes of country clubs, and metropolitan supporters of racing, as a whole, were consulted, the totalisator would take its place on our racecourses, even if the bookmakers were also retained. However, as in the past, it seems fairly certain that the arguments of the anti-totalisator section are again proving much more convincing in political circles than those of the section favouring the adoption of machine-betting.



A POPULAR MEETING WITH RACEGOERS—VIEW OF THE NEW BUILDINGS IN OCCUPATION FOR THE FIRST TIME AT THE DANNEVIRKE RACING CLUB'S AUTUMN MEETING.

- 7—S. G. Lindsay's ch g Yankee Doodle, by Wairiki—Golden Rose, 4yrs, 7.0 (F. McDevitt) ... 1
- 3—G. Bettley's ch m Miss Livonia, by Leolantis—Princess Agnes, aged, 8.2 (R. E. Brown) 2
- 5—T. Wilson's ch m Manurere, by Musketry—Repetition, 7.2 (R. Trigger) 3

Also started: 1 Spalfish 9.4, inc. 7lb pen. (A. McMillan), 4 Marangi 7.5 (H. Stockley), 6 Try Fluke 7.3 (C. Brown), 2 Ruse de Guerre 6.8 (H. Robinson).

There was a long delay at the starting post, caused through the unruliness of Yankee Doodle, but after a tedious delay the field was despatched on even terms. Miss Livonia, on the rails, was the first to become prominent, and the chestnut piloted the field right into the straight, where the field became bunched, a hundred yards from the post Yankee Doodle, who had come fast over the last portion, joined issue, and in an exciting finish won by a bare half length, with Manurere a neck away third, followed closely by Ruse de Guerre. Time, 1min 3 1-5sec.

(Winner trained by owner.)

NOMINATIONS.

AUCKLAND RACING CLUB.

The following nominations have been received for leading events to be run at the Auckland Racing Club's autumn meeting:—

EASTER HANDICAP of 1000sovs, one mile.—Tripoli, Kakama, Tact, Spalfish, Prince Sult, Los Angeles, Royal Irish, Flora MacDonald, Gipsy Belle, Crown Pearl, Royal Arms, Sir Moseley, King of the Mountain, Vocation, Jolie Fille, Prince Merriwee, Potoa, Domino, Tattoo, Salute, Admiral Soult, Pavlova, Multiply, The Celt, Kooya, Jack Delaval, Zeus, Wee Oka, Cherubini, Emperador, Goldsize, La Reina, Bleriot, Merry Roe, Tangiwal, Sir Solo, Patronale, Cheddar, Di Gama, Austin, Bonny Helen, Bertrada, Zetes, Haskayne, Ventura, Bon Reve, Labour Day, The Hague, Beldame, Avaunce.

BRIGHTON HURDLES of 300sovs, two miles.—Rill, Cloudy Dawn, Black Northern, Watchchain, Clare, First Wairiki, Ambergris, Icel, Vestal, Dogger Bank, North-East, Merrimax, Hauera, Bercola, Pip, Witched, Idealism, Oban, Te Onga, Kaurora.

ST. GEORGE'S HANDICAP of 1000 sovs, one mile and a-half.—Royal Irish, Kakama, Tiresome, Centenary, Soultikoff, Prince Soult, Los Angeles, Flora MacDonald, St. Francis, Kaween, Royal Arms, Devastation, Vocation, Jolie Fille, Prince Merriwee, Potoa, Domino, Saidler, Admiral Soult, Pavlova, Multiply, Kooya, Jack Delaval, Mistie, Goldsize, Cherubini, Emperador, La Reina, Sir Solo, Bleriot, Cheddar, Haskayne, Bon Reve, Marshal McDonald, Labour Day.

AUTUMN STEEPLECHASE of 400 sovs, three miles.—Santiago, Hautere, Waterworks, Golborne, Ruffy, Paritutu,

the Valley 7.9, Try Fluke 7.9, Red Pine 7.9, Oki Oki 7.9, Aterori 7.8, Tararu Jack 7.6, Cinders 7.6, Glucian 7.6, Kia Kaha 7.6, Ihapuna 7.5, Caprice 7.5, Errant Belle 7.5, Delamar 7.5, Glendina 7.5, Embers 7.5, Dunskillin 7.5.

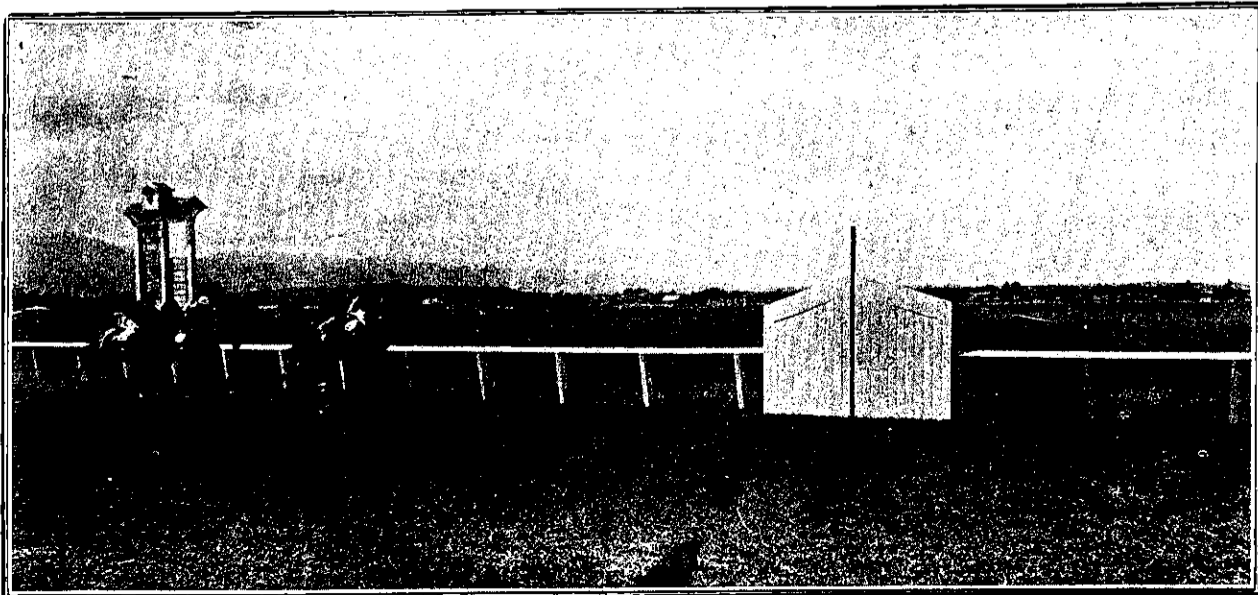
PAEROA STEEPLECHASE, about two miles and a-half.—Golborne 10.12, Icel 9.12, Heyboy 9.10, Rapid 9.10, Galvata 9.9, Eglinton 9.8, Majesty 9.3.

ST. PATRICK'S HANDICAP, six furlongs.—Spalfish 9.0, Miss Livonia 8.4, Worcester 8.2, Parawai 7.11, Ovation 7.8, Tinopal 7.8, Pupura 7.7, Zetland 7.6, Pet 7.6, Munster 7.5, Yankee Doodle 7.5, Obdurate 7.0, Maisonette 6.7.

A Sydney paper, after noticing the great strides made in trotting in Canterbury, and comparing the totalisator turnover at the Metropolitan Trotting Club's meeting, and the Metropolitan Racing Club's meeting, says that racing does not seem to be as popular in Canterbury as trotting. This may be true, but there is probably no other place in the world where the two sports flourish so well side by side, and the Canterbury Jockey Club still gives more money per acre than any other racing institution in New Zealand.

birdcage on our courses, remain there during the day, excepting while actually taking part in the races of the day. We have not yet learned with whom the idea originated or who intends moving to have this bit of machinery applied to racing authority, but is there really any necessity for such a drastic step, and is anyone simple enough to think horsemen would submit to be caged? Why, they would go out on strike in a body. It would be a good idea were some clubs to provide horsemen with greater accommodation than they get at present, and to keep the jockeys' rooms clear of undesirables.

Mr. W. H. Brown, Labour candidate for Randwick, at a meeting having for its object the establishment of an Eastern Suburbs Hospital, expressed himself to the effect that it would be a good idea if the Government were approached with the object of having a pebiscite taken of jockeys riding at registered meetings in the metropolis, asking them to consent to the



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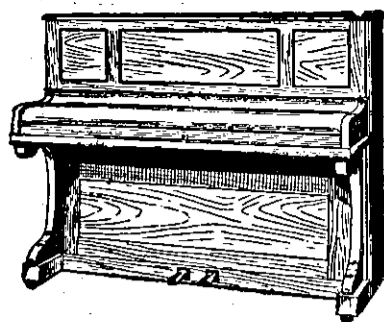
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CRICKET.

(By "MID-ON.")

The second series of matches in connection with the final round of the premierships were concluded last Saturday in weather simply perfect. It was an ideal day for cricket, just the day to make batsmen feel like making centuries. These require some getting, and Satchell (Waitemata) was the only batsman to attain the honour. Several scores over the half-century were registered, including Young (Waitemata) 72, Sloman (Grafton) 70, Wilson (Ponsonby) 67, Smeeton (Eden A) 56, Taylor (Eden A) 54, and Horspool (Eden B) 53. Good bowling averages were a scarce commodity, and only in one instance did a bowler succeed in capturing more than five wickets, and that trundler was N. C. Snedden (Ponsonby) with six wickets for 90 runs.

The scoring generally was much better than on the previous Saturday, with the exception of the Devonport match. Eden A (274) scored a two-point victory over Waitemata (147 and 203 for four wickets), by 127 on the first innings. Ponsonby, with the score of 269 for three wickets, overcame Grafton (176 and 188 for eight wickets), securing a two-pointer. Eden B (221) defeated University (112 and 165 for eight wickets). At Devonport, North Shore (296) scored an overwhelming victory over Parnell (108 and 74) by an innings and 111 runs.

With the exception of Eden A and University, who retained their positions of first and eighth respectively, the state of the competition ladder was considerably altered. The positions of the teams in the competition are appended:—

Team	Played	Won	Lost	Drawn	Comp. Points
Eden A	9	5	3	1	11
Ponsonby	9	5	3	1	11
North Shore	9	5	3	1	11
Grafton	9	5	3	1	11
Waitemata	9	4	4	1	10
University	9	4	4	1	10
Eden B	9	2	7	0	12*
Parnell	9	1	8	0	15*

NORTH SHORE V. PARNELL.

In reply to the home team's total of 296, Parnell gave a very indifferent exhibition of batting, and were dismissed twice during the afternoon for an aggregate of 182. From the start of the day's play Parnell were in trouble, Anthony being given out leg before with the total at 16, a decision that did not altogether meet with his approval. From the pavilion, of course, there was no hope of judging. The best partnership resulted when Somerville and Breeze became associated, although it only produced a couple of dozen runs. The New Zealand rep. made some fine strokes, but lost his wicket in a reckless manner. Being under the impression that he was missed in the field he lashed out to the next ball and paid the penalty. Whether a batsman is missed or not he should consider his side and not sacrifice his wicket so unnecessarily. In his score of 28 were seven fours. Breeze (14), Crawford (12), and Slater (12) were the only other double-figure scorers. The manner in which some of the batsmen shaped at the slow bowling of Howden (4 for 33) and Townshend was painful to watch. The former was the better of the two, Townshend being unable to find a length, over-pitching the ball frequently. The innings lasted nearly a couple of hours for 108 runs.

Parnell fared even worse in their second encounter, a miserable display of batting terminating shortly before six o'clock for 72 runs, Somerville (15) again heading the list. One wonders why Anthony does not make more runs. He has lost that forward play which was so much in evidence when he first came to Auckland, and in playing back invariably comes to grief. Badeley shaped well, making the bat hit the ball, instead of, like so many of the others, allowing the ball to hit the bat.

EDEN A V. WAITEMATA.

Ideal weather prevailed for the resumption of play on Saturday. Eden A, requiring 52 runs to top Waitemata's total, soon wiped off the deficit, and amassed the good total of 274 before the last wicket fell.

Taylor and Smith resumed batting, but an early separation was effected with slight addition to the total. Taylor carried his score to 54 and Smith to 36 when the former was smartly

run out. Smith mis-timed one from Arblaster, and was smartly taken in the slips by Temperton. Three wickets were thus down for two over the century.

A well-sustained effort by the colt Burton and Smeeton shattered the hopes of the Waitemata supporters. As a result of vigorous batting the third half-century was passed before a separation was brought about. Burton then chopped one from Young on to his wicket and retired with a splendidly-compiled 30. His play was marked by extreme decision; his timing was accurate, and the off stuff suffered considerably throughout.

Smeeton (56) displayed fine form, his one weakness being a tendency to cover up the leg stump in a rather risky manner. This mistake cost the batsman his wicket. This player's defence has improved a great deal. Cover driving and forcing leg play were the chief characteristics of an extremely bright innings, which included seven fours. Sauverin (16) made one or two fine off drives, and seemed satisfied to get runs or retire. He retired, beaten by a good length ball from Temperton, who was breaking and swerving in good style. Honeycomb added three to the total and then returned a skier to Arblaster, the chance being accepted.

Buckley and Heighway then became associated. The desire to rattle on the runs soon brought about a dissolution of partnership, Buckley being the first to go. Heighway (21) was showing good form, but could not resist the desire to have a lash at Arblaster, who rattled his timbers. Blair and Cummings looked like making a good last wicket stand, when the former rather foolishly ran himself out. Both players were exhibiting fine form.

It is hard to understand the reason for the position in which Cummings batted in Saturday's match. Certainly this player has been dogged with bad luck practically throughout the season, but still his displays and batting ability should not be lost sight of. To put a batsman of his calibre in last can hardly be regarded as an error of judgment. What is it, then?

Wanting 127 to avert defeat, Waitemata opened with Mayall and Arblaster to Taylor and Cummings. The innings opened disastrously for the players across the water, two wickets being down for a dozen runs. Young and Satchell then became associated in a splendid third wicket partnership, which produced 160 odd runs. The former should have had "paid" put to his account with his total at 30, Burton failing to hold an easy one. However, it is the glorious uncertainty of the game which makes it so interesting and attractive.

From this on Satchell made no mistake, though several leg hits went dangerously near Taylor on the boundary. He put plenty of power into his strokes and timed well, the accuracy of his timing producing big hits with a minimum of effort. On five occasions he lifted the leather well clear of the chalk-line, while he also scored eleven fours. Meanwhile, the tall left-hander was extremely busy, his wonderful reach enabling him to smother good length bowling. Two magnificent hits for six fell to Young's credit, although off the second hit he was actually caught by Dunning, who was fielding substitute. The batsman exercised considerable judgment, and restrained his hitting powers to advantage. On his present form the Waitemata "star" must be classed among the leading Auckland batsmen.

After Young's dismissal, brought about through a fine catch by Brooke-Smith on the leg boundary, A. Dunning joined Satchell, but was clean-bowled first ball. When P. Dunning joined Satchell the latter still wanted fourteen for his century, with seven minutes to go. Dunning monopolised the bowling, with the result that the would-be centurion was still eleven short and three minutes to go. The final over, however, was most productive, and the young player was just successful in placing his name on the century list.

In Waitemata's second venture all honour must go to Young and Satchell, and these two players robbed the Edenites of a possible three-pointer. Honeycomb (2 for 29), Cummings (1 for 12), and Taylor (1 for 30) did the best work with the ball. Hemus presented his opponents 33 without securing a wicket, but had hard luck on the leg boundary.

GRAFTON V. PONSONBY.

The Ponsonby-Grafton contest was resumed under good weather condi-

tions on Saturday last, Grafton having 176 on the slate and Ponsonby 147 for two wickets. Grafton were minus the services of E. Horspool, who was upholding the honour of the Northern City against the Australians at Dunedin. MacCormick skippered the side and indulged the Ponsonby batsmen in a little leg-theory. That it hampered the play of the westerners there is no doubt, Wilson and Worker taking fully two hours to put on 120 runs. Throughout the piece both batsmen were frequently non-plussed by the accuracy of the Grafton attack, and the few opportunities that occurred for despatching the ball to the boundary.

Of the two batsmen, Wilson (67 not out) was much more aggressive than his partner, and batted in good style considering the consequent limitation of strokes as a result of the Grafton skipper's action. Wilson was extremely fortunate, when umpire Gallagher declared in his favour a l.b.w. decision, but apart from this gave one of his soudest exhibitions this season. One six and seven fours fell to his lot. Worker (41 not out) exhibited fine defence albeit a trifle cramped. His leg glances and forcing leg shots were splendidly executed, though he has a tendency to weakness in timing "off stuff." Should Worker not make the mistake of the majority of successful young cricketers, he should develop into a first-class bat.

With the total at 269 for three wickets, the Ponsonby skipper applied the closure, thus leaving Grafton two hours to bat and 93 to make to save an innings defeat. Hay and Murdoch opened for Grafton, runs coming rapidly. With the total at 16 the latter mis-hit Snedden, McMath jumping in and effecting a splendid catch in the slips. Hay survived another over and was then caught by McMath, off Snedden, whose over-spin was causing the ball to whip smartly from the pitch. Sloman and Haresnape collaborated in a useful partnership, the former scoring freely, while the latter kept up his wicket. Snedden claimed his third victim through the agency of Worker, who effected an easy catch. W. Horspool then partnered Sloman, immediately opening out on the star Ponsonby trundler. Anything overpitched the lengthy Graftonite promptly smacked to the boundary, two beautiful sixes off Snedden meeting with much applause from the spectators. Five fours practically completed his total, and did much to take the sting out of the Ponsonby attack. MacCormick made a short stay at the wickets, being caught by Early at square-leg off McMath.

F. Horspool partnered Sloman, who was batting in fine style. The advent of the former kept the fieldsmen on the move. Five fours and one six gives some idea of Horspool's hitting powers. Willis was out, caught at the wickets, though the batsman seemed rather dissatisfied with the decision. Hill followed soon after, bowled by Snedden. Sloman and Harvie played out time. The former gave a fine exhibition of forceful batting at a time when Grafton were badly in want of runs. Sloman has a wonderful forcing leg shot, but appears to be over risky at times. His score included nine fours. At the call of time Grafton had lost eight wickets for 188, so Ponsonby did not take the extra time which they were justly entitled to.

EDEN B V. UNIVERSITY.

The 'Varsity v. Eden B fixture was continued at Victoria Park on Saturday last, the latter team having on the first day compiled 128 for the loss of five wickets, in reply to the students' first innings effort of 112.

Eden B, with a two-pointer in hand, did not make the pace sufficiently fast to raise hopes of a three-point win. C. Robinson and I. Mills, the not-outs of the previous Saturday, resumed with their scores standing at 7 and 36 respectively. Rowe was given a turn with the ball at opening, and though he racked them in was soon taken off. Both batsmen quickly got going, C. Robinson especially scoring freely, but soon lost "Ike," who put one of Taylor's up to Sutherland, who accepted. Mills had batted attractively and effectively in compiling his contribution of 44.

A. O. Horspool partnered Robinson, a very profitable stand resulting. The former soon got right to the bowling, punishing each bowler indiscriminately and playing really good cricket, though some of his strokes were rather uppish. With both batsmen going strongly the score mounted by leaps and bounds, Robinson, with 31, being ultimately bowled by one of

Vickerman's peculiar deliveries, and Horspool, with 53, being caught by Airey off Taylor. The last-named batsman's display was most vigorous when it is noted that twelve fours were included in his score. With the departure of Robinson and Horspool Eden's effort was over, the innings closing for 221.

No 'Varsity bowler met with much success, though Vickerman, who was put on late in the innings, secured 2 for 7.

With Eden's lead of 119 on the first innings, the students opened their second innings with Airey and Caradus. Airey soon became aggressive, playing very free cricket, his drive being especially profitable. Caradus stonewalled until caught by Mills off Horspool, with his score at 4 and the total at one for 27.

Rowe followed, and adopted similar methods to Caradus, Airey getting the runs, though bowlers were changed frequently. Eden's ground fielding was much at fault, Airey frequently driving through fieldsmen's hands and feet to the boundary. With his score at 49, of which 36 came from boundary hits, Airey was clean bowled by Mills—2 for 65—and Perry partnered Rowe.

Scoring quietened considerably, though Perry pulled a couple of times very effectively and appeared quite at home. Through a misunderstanding Rowe set off for a single which Perry declined, and Rowe failing to get back, McLauchlan had the bails off—3 for 69. Perry did not then remain long with Sutherland, for, failing to lift one from J. Alexander sufficiently high, Ike Mills brought off a neat catch. This batsman's quota of 15 included three fours—4 for 99. Sutherland, who opened somewhat scratchily and appeared to be far from home, settled down to steady play, but until Vickerman's arrival failed to get much support. The captain, W. H. Graham, did assist in making a stand, leaving the scoring to his partner, but Robinson found his stumps, and Player followed, only to be given out l.b.w. to Alexander.

Taylor's stay was of the briefest, J. Alexander beating him with a good one. W. H. Gray made a brief sojourn until Robinson sent him back. Sutherland became associated with Vickerman, and these two played out time, bringing the total for eight wickets to 165, the former's score being 36 not out and the latter's 19 not out. Sutherland, after getting set, made a very useful stand for his side, and though his defence is not of the best yet his reach and strength made him a punishing bat. Eden tried eight bowlers, J. Alexander, Robinson and Mills securing wickets.

THE AUSTRALIAN TEAM.

The following shows the averages of the Australian team on tour through New Zealand for nine matches, including the game with South Canterbury:—

BOWLING.			
Bowler	Wkts.	Runs.	Aver.
Ransford	15	86	5.73
Noble	17	187	11.00
Crawford	9	99	11.00
McKenzie	15	166	11.06
Collins	14	171	12.21
Armstrong	44	542	12.31
Malley	35	487	13.91
Waddy	2	32	16.00
Laver	11	286	26.00
Cody	2	66	33.00
Dolling	0	20	—

BATTING.					
Batsman.	Runs.	Highest score.	No. Innings.	Times not out.	Average.
Crawford	356	354	8	—	178.00
Trumper	651	293	8	—	81.37
Noble	335	90	9	2	44.85
Sims	227	184*	7	2	45.40
Armstrong	400	161	10	1	44.44
Cody	304	106	8	1	43.42
Ransford	451	159	11	—	41.00
Collins	342	83	10	1	38.00
McGregor	226	90	9	2	32.28
Waddy	301	130	11	1	30.10
Dolling	290	74	10	—	29.00
McKenzie	193	55	9	2	27.57
Malley	148	62	9	2	21.14
Laver	95	52	6	1	19.00

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FIRST TEST MATCH.

NOTES ON AUSTRALIANS' BATTING.

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(By Telegraph—Dunedin Correspondent)

The weather was perfect for the second day of the first test match, and the public rolled out in thousands to see the Australian champions at the wickets. The attendance was over five thousand, estimated as a record for a cricket match on one day in Dunedin. The previous largest attendance was on the second day of the match between Lord Hawke's team and Otago in 1904.

The wicket was soft in the morning after the previous night's rain, and it played easy. The New Zealand innings terminated quickly, only ten runs being added to the overnight score. Great interest was taken in the appearance of the Australians at the batting crease, but the public was unprepared for the disastrous opening. The lesser lights of the Australian team were put in first, but wickets fell so rapidly that Noble was forced to come out to stop the rot which he did successfully.

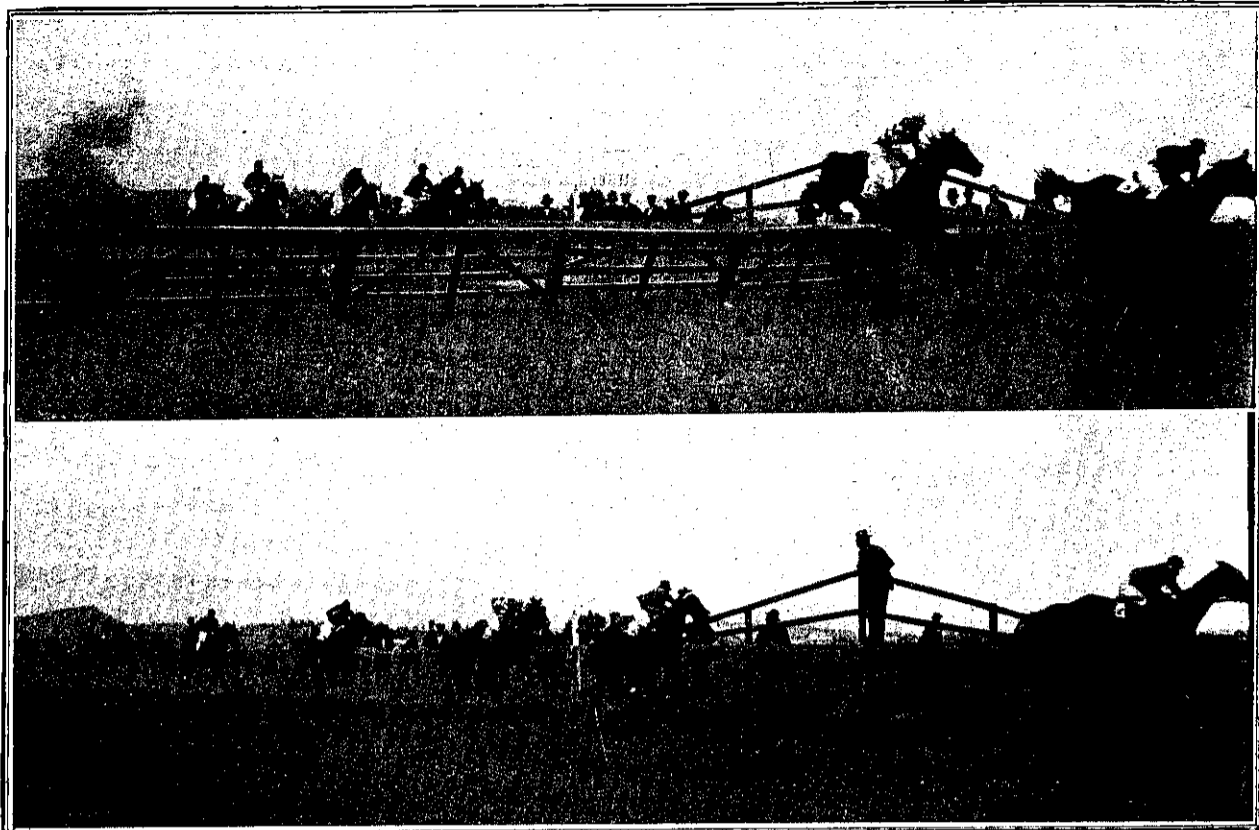
The first wicket fell with the score at ten. McGregor, after surviving a confident appeal for leg before from Joe Bennett, was completely beaten with a good length ball, which took the off-stump. With three runs only added Bennett got Dolling leg before, to the great delight of the crowd. Excitement was high when Bennett skittled Collins with a ball that rose and took the top of the wicket. The Canterbury man had obtained his three wickets for three runs. Three wickets had fallen for 14 in almost as many minutes. The rot was too much for Noble, and the Australian captain came out to stop it. He and Mailey then played the rock game until the luncheon adjournment, when the score was 25 for three wickets.

Shortly after lunch, and with the score at 32, Sandman got Mailey's wicket, the batsman playing too late at the ball. The crowd gave Armstrong a fine reception as he came out to fill the vacancy and joined Noble. Two great batsmen were now associated, and the crowd settled down in expectancy, but further disaster to the Australians happened. Noble played forward to Sandman, apparently with the only intention of playing the ball, and Sandman took a splendid catch low down at the wicket. The Australians had now lost five wickets for the miserable total of 33, but the big guns were now to be brought into requisition. Trumper, the classiest of them all, joined Armstrong, and the spectators were treated to the first exhibition of batting in the match. Trumper and Armstrong played beautiful cricket, the placing of the incomparable Victor, the perfection of his timing, and the easy grace with which he hooked the off-ball to the boundary raising the spectators to a pitch of enthusiasm. When Trumper had run to 72 he failed to get fully on to one from Sandman and played it to Bennett, who took an easy catch at mid-on. Trumper had batted 69 minutes for his score and hit eleven fours. His partnership with Armstrong was the highest of the match, putting on 144 runs in 69 minutes.

Another sound partnership was established when Crawford and Armstrong were associated, this pair putting on 75 in 39 minutes. Crawford batted well for 53, using the pull stroke—a favourite with this batsman—with excellent results. He was batting 38 minutes, and hit one six and eight fours. With his score at 25 he gave a difficult chance to Whitta in the slips, but this was his only lapse, and he was clean bowled in an attempt to hit Bennett over the new stand.

The Waddy-McKenzie partnership for the last wicket was the fastest of the innings, the pair putting on 71 in 21 minutes. Waddy's innings was the champagne of cricket, and delighted the spectators more than any other in the match. A batsman, who stands not on the order of his going, he flashed the ball to all points of the ground with clean, hard, perfectly-timed shots. The freedom of style, the subtle wrist play, and the dash which he put into his batting made Waddy at once a favourite, and although the crowd cheered when Patrick took his wicket everyone must have regretted that there was to be no more of such exhilarating batting. Waddy was at the crease 38 minutes for his score of 59, which included eleven fours.

SUNROSE (G. Marchant) leading STOCKADE (F. Meagher) over the hurdle in the straight the first time in the Hack Handicap Hurdles at the Dannevirke R.C.'s Autumn Meeting.



THE FINISH OF THE HACK HANDICAP HURDLES (1 1/4 MILES) AT DANNEVIRKE—PAPALITZ (W. D. Young) winning from COMPOSED (H. Tricklebank) and STOCKADE (F. Meagher).

Armstrong played a solid innings. Characteristic of the man, he attempted no colossal flights, but his batting all round was marked by the utmost confidence. The big Victorian was going well for his century when Bennett beat him with a splendid ball. Armstrong was at the crease just over two hours for his 96. He scored freely with powerful off-drive, but got the majority of his runs by clever placing of the leg-side, square and behind the wicket. The Australians' innings lasted three hours and a-half. Bennett bowled splendidly, getting all his wickets with good balls. Sandman, too, howled well, but Wilson did not trouble the Australians.

MONDAY'S PLAY.

AUSTRALIANS' FINE RECOVERY.

N.Z. BATSMEN ROUTED.

The first test match, which looked so promising when stumps were drawn on Saturday night, New Zealand having lost no wickets for 44 in the second innings, fizzled out today like a wet squib. The tragedy occurred shortly after play was resumed this morning. The opening pair of batsmen, Whitta and Condliffe, gave New Zealand an excellent start, 81 runs being put on before the first wicket fell, Whitta being out leg before to Noble, a doubtful decision. The Canterbury batsman, who had failed in Christchurch against the Australians, and in the first innings in the test match, put on 53 by good

cricket all round the wicket. He was at the wicket just over an hour, and found the boundary eight times. With one wicket down for 80 and the wicket playing well it looked any odds on the match being a draw, or that the Australians would have to fight hard for victory in the last hour. Then the unexpected happened, and the rottenest of rots set in, or, more truthfully, the rottenest of batting was exhibited. Batsman after batsman went to the crease, took centre, made a succession of bad strokes, grew impatient, and finally committed cricket suicide by throwing wickets away.

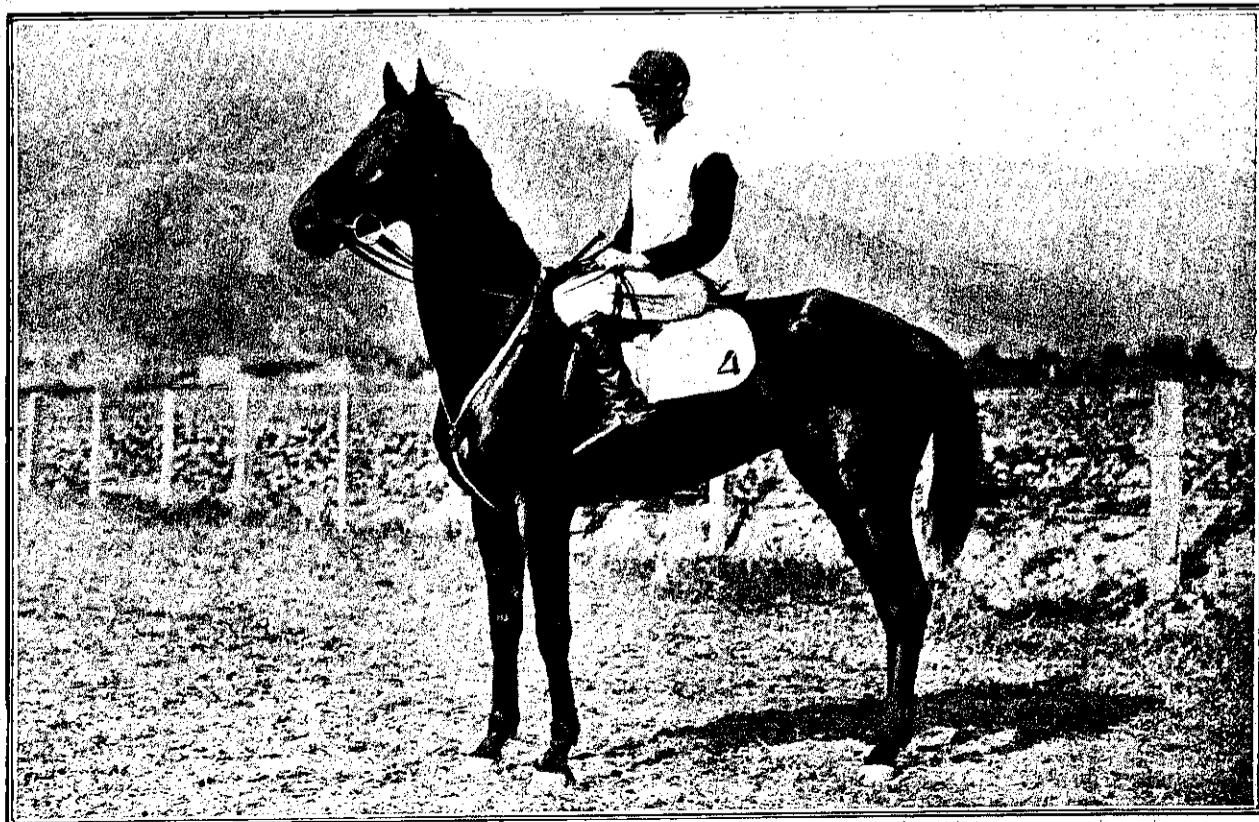
Five wickets fell in less than half-an-hour for thirteen runs. Mailey, the googly bowler of the Australians, was working the destruction. When the batsmen were not offering themselves up for sacrifice, Mailey was certainly troublesome, and was tying the batsmen up with his break bowling and his wrong 'un. But there was no such thing with the New Zealanders as playing with their backs to the wall as the Australians have done so often when in tight corners. The New Zealanders, on the other hand, grew more careless as wickets continued to fall, and some batsmen were beaten before they got to the batting crease.

There was a vast difference between one for 80 and six for 93, which was the state of the game at the luncheon adjournment. Then Sandman and Patrick got together and gave a good exhibition of batting, putting on 72 for the seventh wicket, carrying the score to 165. Sandman

gave a good chance to McGregor for a stump before he had scored, but the Canterbury man retrieved himself later and batted aggressively for 30, including two hits for six each and three fours. Patrick showed the best form on the New Zealand side in the whole match. In the first innings he got 38 by careful and patient cricket, and in the second innings to-day he rose to 66 by perfect strokes, varied by clean, hard hitting. As showing his aggressiveness, Patrick hit three sixes, all clean shots over the rails, and seven fours.

A good start and rotten collapse and a recovery summarises the New Zealand second innings, which yielded 209. This left Australia 84 to get to win, which they did with the loss of three wickets. After getting the required runs the not-out batsmen, Cody and Waddy, continued their innings as an exhibition, but it was poor stuff at best, the batsmen hitting out at everything, mingling good shots with bad. There were two players for the New Zealand team who did not justify their inclusion. These were Reese, the New Zealand captain, who had ricked his shoulder in the New Zealand match at Adelaide some weeks before, and he was neither fit to bowl, bat or field on the first test match; the other player was Wilson, the googly bowler from Canterbury, who was a complete failure. How the New Zealand selector came to choose Wilson is beyond understanding. As a bowler he is degrees below New Zealand class, and as batsman and fielder he is a third-rater.

The cricket shown by the Aus-



THE TE AROHA CUP (1 1/4 MILES) WINNER, 1914—Mr. Geo. Hyde's b g GLOY, 6yrs, by Gluten—Did. A. McMillan in saddle. Trained by H. French.

tralian to-day was poor, and the public was disappointed at not seeing Trumper, Armstrong and Crawford at the creases. On Saturday the champions batted splendidly. Trumper's innings was an education less than a spectacle. The champions had gone out to give an exhibition of cricket in its highest sense and not a display of cricket pyrotechnics. His strokes all round the wicket were marked by rare craftsmanship, perfection of timing, and celerity of execution. Whether it was the drive, the back cut, the flick past, the right-hand of point, or the hook, all the strokes were masterly. His footwork was clever, and the manner in which he jumped in front of the wicket and hooked off balls to the boundary was an exhibition seldom seen. It was not the Trumper whose magic wand has stirred Australian and English crowds to excitement who was playing at Carisbrook on Saturday, but a more staid and mellower Trumper, who had gone out to play the game for his side without any fireworks. The public may have been disappointed in this respect, but the cricket enthusiast and the student were delighted.

Armstrong's innings was characteristic of the man—solid, confident, and watchful. The big Victorian is not a master of style, but he has a grace essentially his own. The presence of Armstrong at the wicket is a constant solace in time of trouble. Everyone regretted that he did not get his century when he was just on the eve of it.

Keen interest was taken in Crawford, who is a batsman of the clean, hard-hitting type beloved by the public, which measure its man by the number of times he can place the ball over the rails. Crawford is a finer batsman than this, and is immeasurably a better batsman than he would have us believe by Saturday's display. The pull stroke was, however, his masterpiece. As differentiating from the hook stroke of Trumper, Crawford plays at the pitch of the ball, while Trumper plays to its flight.

Nothing in the innings probably appealed more to the spectators than the exhibition given by Waddy, whose fearless and dashing style was greatly admired. Quick-footed, supple to a degree, and wristy, he was light as a soubrette at the wicket, and used his bat like a fencing master.

The outstanding feature of the Australians' batting was their clever footwork, the ease with which they got into position for making a strong hit being perfect in its simplicity. A fine understanding, too, at the wickets and the confidence with which they ran short ones were an object lesson to students of the game.

The New Zealanders' bowling was excellent. Bennett, indeed, never bowled better, while Sandman was in good form on a wicket not calculated to offer the best result from this bowling. Robinson, the Wellington bowler, did well.

The takings at the gates for the three days were £57, £247, and £50. Mr. Arthur Sims, the organiser of the Australian team, had made such excellent terms that the tour will return him a handsome profit. On the other hand, the New Zealand Council has made such terms that the test matches will result in a loss to that body.

Warwick Armstrong, who has paid more visits to New Zealand than any other member of the Australian team, interviewed to-day, said that New Zealand cricket had improved. When he came here just 14 years ago New Zealanders did not shape like cricketers, and did not look like cricketers, but they had improved greatly in the meantime. Armstrong congratulated New Zealand on getting rid of the Australian for 354 runs on Saturday, and said it was a fine performance against such a powerful side.

There is a rumour that the Otago Cricket Association has approached J. N. Crawford, the ex-English international with the Australian team, with an offer to act as coach. The Otago Association would like to secure Crawford, but the terms that Otago might offer would scarcely be tempting enough.

Friends of Mr. Dick Cotter, well known in trotting and racing circles in Southland and Otago will be pleased to learn that he continues to benefit from residence in Auckland, and has put on a good deal of weight, but though he has mended steadily, intends to prolong his stay in the hope of making more solid improvement.

FLYING IN NEW ZEALAND.

LIEUT. HAMMOND AND THE
ELERIOT MONOPLANE.

AVIATOR'S WORK HAMPERED.

PUBLIC WANT FLIGHT.

The present year has opened auspiciously in Australasia so far as the aviation movement is concerned, for public interest has been aroused to a remarkable degree as a result of the successful demonstrations of the conquest of the air given by the Melbourne aviator Henry Hawker in Australia and the New Zealand airmen, Lieut. J. J. Hammond and W. J. Scotland, in this Dominion. The magnificent flights accomplished by this trio of famous birdmen have proved little short of a revelation to residents of the Commonwealth and New Zealand, and have provided the main topic of conversation since the advent of the New Year. Even the "Sport of Kings" was momentarily overshadowed by the novelty of aeroplane ascents, and it is on record that no Melbourne Cup winner ever was accorded a greater ovation than that with which Henry Hawker was greeted on the occasion of his first flight on the Flemington racecourse. Of equal volume was the enthusiasm created throughout Auckland when on a Sunday morning early in the year Lieut. Hammond flew on the Dominion monoplane from Epsom over the suburbs, into the heart of the city, thence encircled the warships at anchor in the harbour and returned to the starting point with consummate ease and grace. This note-

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Great interest was centred in the Melbourne Trotting Derby Stakes, of 1000sovs, one mile, which was decided at the Melbourne Trotting Club's meeting on the Richmond Course (Melbourne) on Friday last. From an original entry of nearly 150 there were final acceptors of close upon a score. The first section for pacers in harness was won by Handicap, with Maori Land second and Derby Chimes third. Handicap won by six yards in 2min 15¼ sec. The second section for trotters in harness was won by the New South Wales representative, Lucid, which defeated Homeleigh Dick by a yard, with Onehunga third. Lucid covered the mile in 2min 25¼ sec, and established an Australasian record for a three-year-old filly.



RACING ENTHUSIASTS WATCHING THE TOTALISATOR INVESTMENTS ON THE DANNEVIRKE CUP.

worthy flight, which was followed by a series of equally successful ascents in Auckland, including a flight with a passenger, marked the commencement of the present aviation boom in this part of the world, and presented to the public in no uncertain manner the possibilities of the aeroplane for defence purposes.

The next move to be recorded on the aviation chessboard in Australasia was the return to Melbourne of Henry Hawker with his well-earned laurels, chief of which was his world-famed flight around Great Britain for the "Daily Mail" prize, while in New Zealand the flying boom broke out in a fresh place, viz., Otaki, where W. J. Scotland created a stir by making a highly satisfactory ascent in his Caudron biplane. Various flights followed in the South Island, whence Scotland shipped his biplane, the most notable of these being the aerial journey from Timaru to Christchurch. Meanwhile a deadlock ensued in Auckland so far as flying exhibitions were concerned, for though both aviator and machine have been stationed in the Northern City for the past seven weeks the public have had to suffer extreme disappointment—a regrettable state of affairs which surely calls for explanation.

In the first instance, the British Government presented a monoplane, christened "The Britannia," to the defence authorities in this country, not, we take it, to be used for exhibition purposes, but to be readily subjected to practical tests of utility

stantly in need of adjustment, and if left unattended for any length of time serious results are not improbable. This fact should be borne in mind with regard to the monoplane, which seven weeks ago was in splendid running order, but now is unfortunately being treated to a spell of inactivity. Anyone possessing any knowledge of aeroplanes cannot congratulate the authorities on the removal of the Britannia monoplane from the Agricultural Grounds, where it was receiving constant attention, to the Exhibition, where it is serving no useful purpose. It is a serious matter to leave the motor unattended, for the control wires and vital parts of the machine are particularly amenable to rust, while it is a grave mistake to leave the wings on the machine for any length of time when the monoplane is not in frequent commission. The wings are always removed in the event of the monoplane being withdrawn from the field of operations, while the warping wires should be released. That this has not been done was revealed during an inspection of The Britannia on Saturday last, while close examination made it evident that the fuselage is going out of alignment. It is hard to conceive that this should be the case, and the laxity of the authorities in not availing themselves of the services of Lieut. Hammond, who so readily placed his skill and experience at the disposal of the Defence Department when the machine was first landed, should form the subject

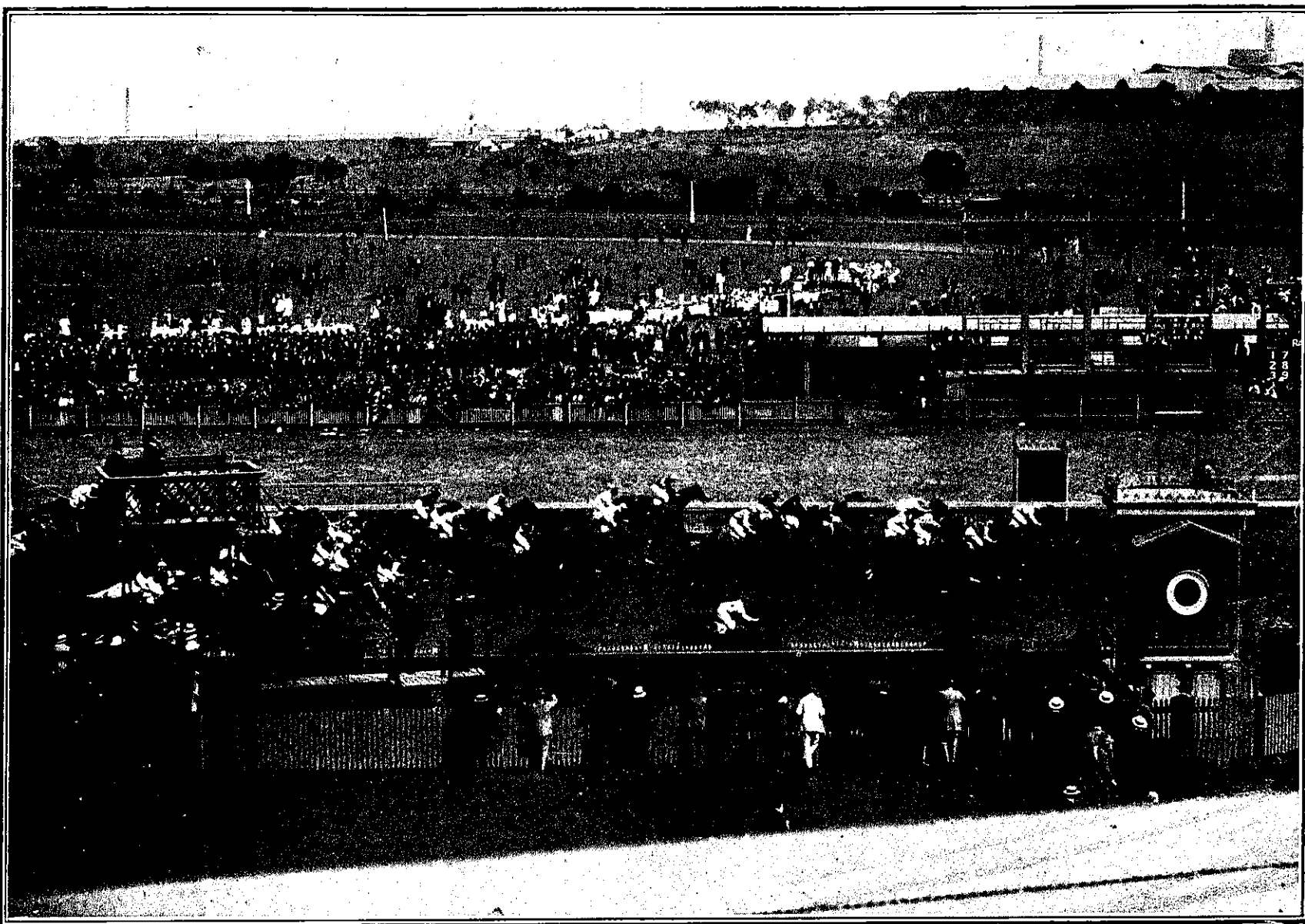
LATE BILLIARDS.

Tom Reece defeated George Gray in the first heat of the English championship by 1789 points. The game was 9000 up level with ivory balls, and from the cable advices Reece quite outplayed the Australian. The two matches of 18,000 up each with Newman and Falkiner may have caused Gray to go stale, while the importance of the championship contest may also have caused Gray some anxiety. Reece has now to meet H. W. Stevenson in a heat of 900 up to decide who will oppose Inman for the championship.

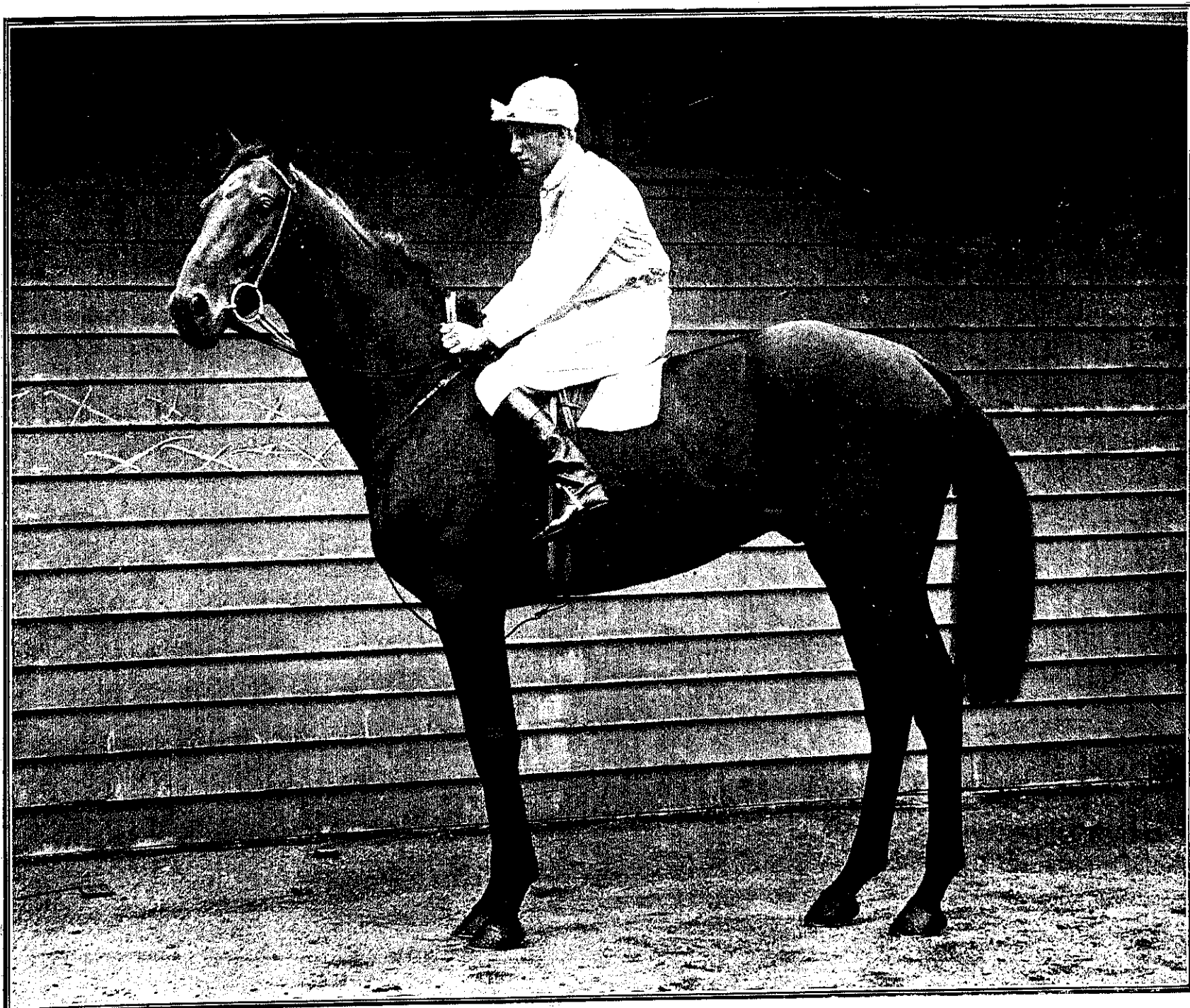
Alec Taylor has concluded a successful season at Gisborne. At the Cosmopolitan Club, Taylor was opposed by an amateur, who was given 250 start, the professional winning both games decisively. Playing in a match with Mr. Lucas (300 in 750) Taylor was beaten by 224 points, the balls running very badly for the visiting professional. At the Alhambra Parlours the same players met with the same handicap, Taylor winning by 69 points, and making breaks of 110, 99, and 77. The track and fancy-shot displays given by Taylor were very successful.

Gus Leffler, famous as a billiardist and fancy-stroke player, defeated Will Abotomey by 106 points in a game of 500 up last week in Sydney in the latter's saloon at Kogarah. Both players were consistent, but no hing extraordinary was accomplished in the way of big breaks.

The Newmarket Handicap (six furlongs) at the V.R.C. Autumn Meeting.

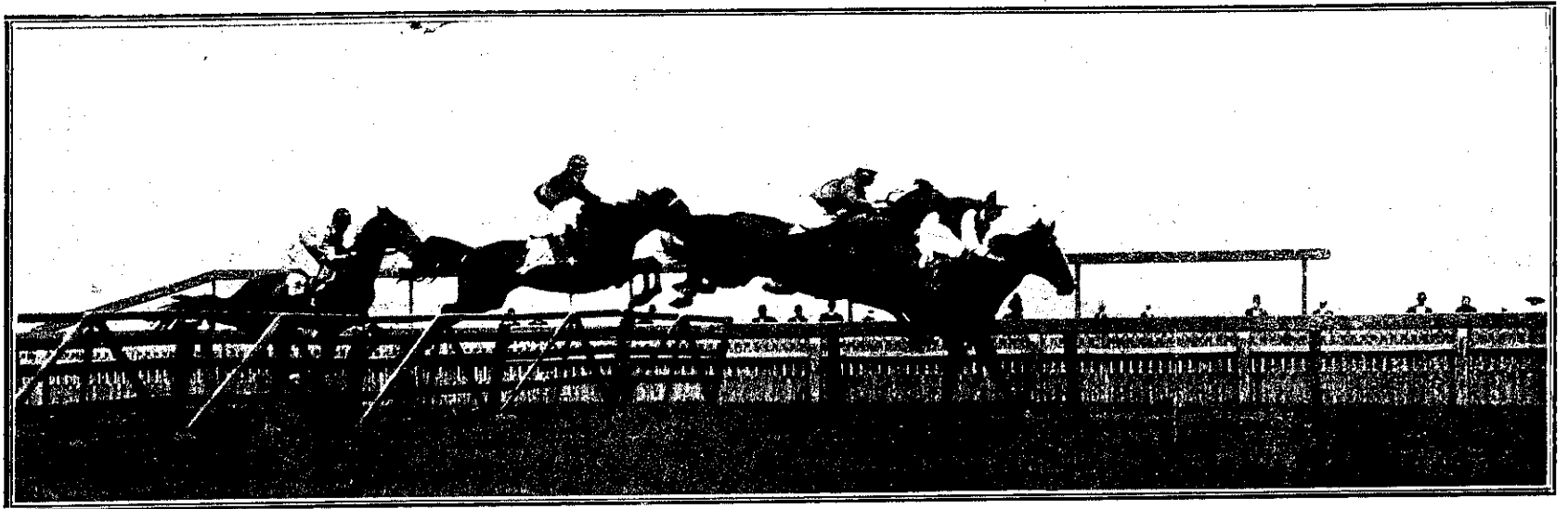


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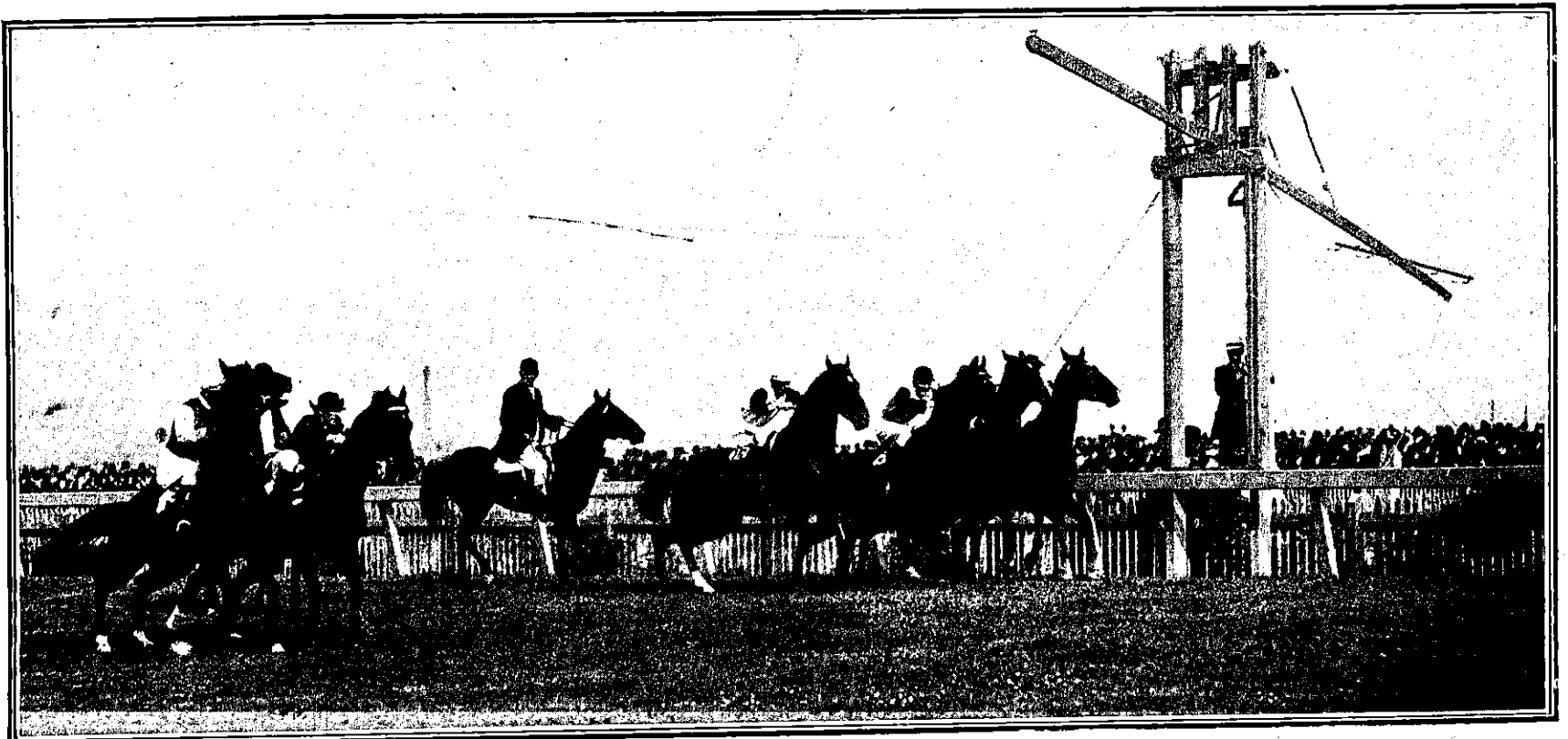


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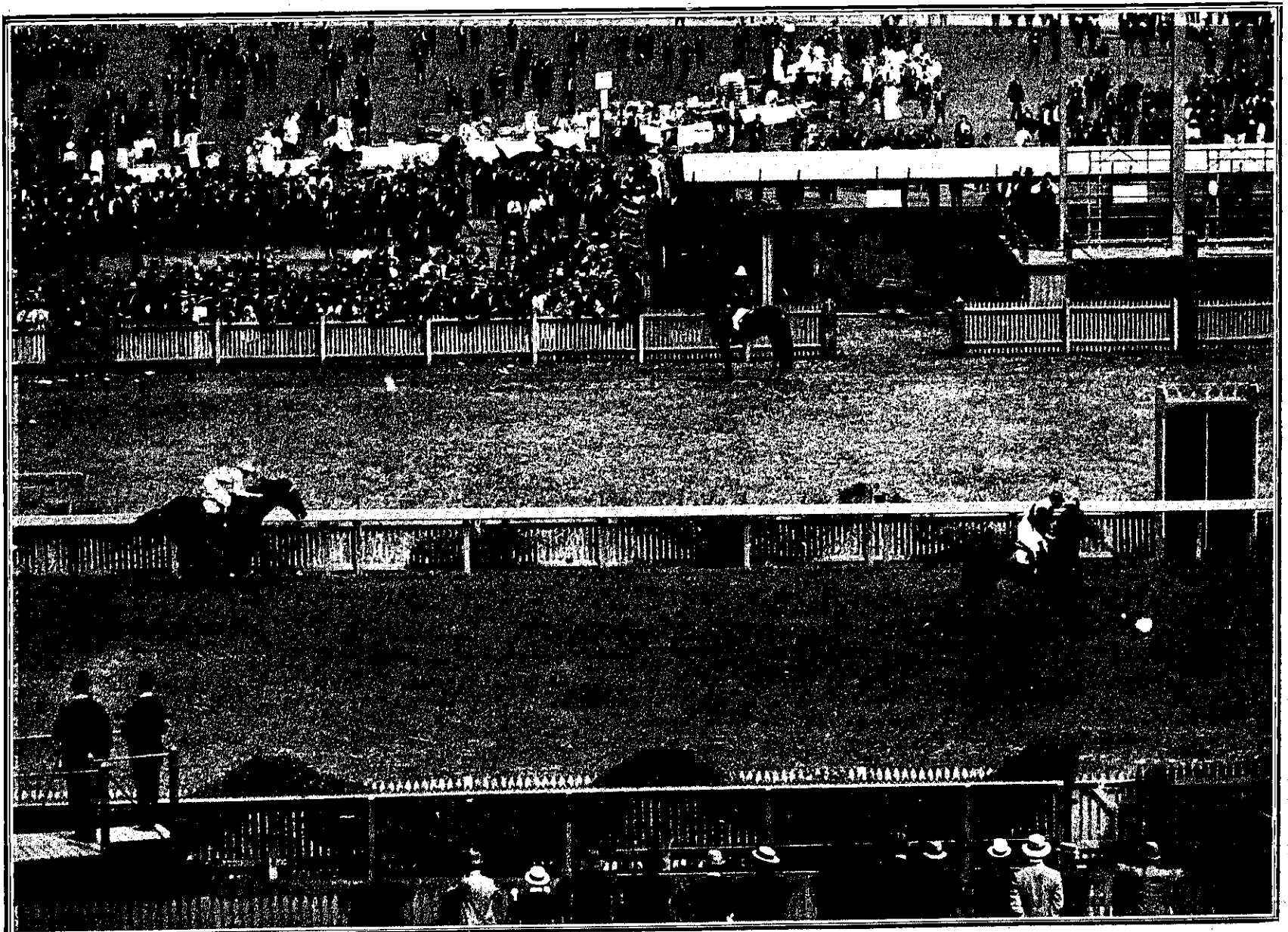
The Victoria Racing Club's Autumn Meeting at Flemington.



AT THE LAST FENCE IN THE PINE'S HURDLE RACE (TWO MILES)—LIGHT BALLAST LEADING AUTUMA AND McALPIN (WHO ARE LOCKED TOGETHER), WITH THE WINNER, DARRAWA (WHO IS DEPICTED JUMPING THE HURDLE) IN FOURTH POSITION.



THE START OF THE ESSENDON/STAKES (1½ MILES), WON BY WALLALO.



RADNOR (R. LEWIS) SCORES A HOLLOW VICTORY FROM ANDELÓSIA (G. LAMBERT) IN THE ST. LEGER STAKES (1¾ MILES).

AUCKLAND RACING CLUB'S CLASSIC EVENTS.

G.N. ST. LEGER STAKES, 1916.

E. W. Allison's br c, by Hierarch—Golden Rose Ernest Allison's b c, by Marble Arch—Mentira A. Bach's b or br f, by Bezonian—Lady Hune Exors. late D. Beard's br or blk c, by Zimmerman—Orchestra G. D. Beaton's b c, by F.nland—Asteroid W. E. Bidwill's ch c Restoration, by Elevation—Intelligence W. E. Bidwill's b c Desolation, by Elevation—Consolation W. E. Bidwill's b f Probation, by Downshire—Culmination J. F. Buchanan's b c, by Martian—Mary of Argyle J. F. Buchanan's b f, by Martian—Grand Opera J. F. Buchanan's b f, by Martian—Hebrew Maid J. F. Buchanan's br f, by Martian—Lovelorn J. F. Buchanan's ch c, by Downshire—Neva John Buckley's b c Placid, by All Red—Sobersides John Buckley's br c, by All Red—Portia John Buckley's b f, by All Red—Hermosa Mrs May Cookson's b f Starcross, by Glenapp—Stella C. Dawson's ch c, by Bunyan—Bluejacket—Victoria mare H. D. deLautour's b c, by Obligado—Pauline Desmond and Donovan's ch c, by Obligado—Crecy F. Dorset's ch f Red Ribbon, by Elevation—Blue Ribbon I. G. Duncan's ch f, by Downshire—Purity I. G. Duncan's b f, by Achilles—Chinwag I. G. Duncan's br f, by Bezonian—Prelude I. G. Duncan's b c, by Danube—Mistime I. G. Duncan's br c, by Achilles—Success I. G. Duncan's b f, by Hierarch—Peace I. G. Duncan's b c, by Charlemagne II.—Shepherdess I. G. Duncan's ch f, by Achilles—Two Step I. G. Duncan's b f, by Bezonian—Nerve I. G. Duncan's br c, by Charlemagne II.—Eden Wm. Dunn's b c Maricia, by Marble Arch—Alicia Wm. Dunn's b c Carlisian, by Elysian—Cardon Wm. Dunn's b c Marble Rose, by Marble Arch—Brown Rose H. Friedlander's b c, by Charlemagne II.—Fasnakyle H. Friedlander's br c, by Martian—Lady Lochiel G. D. Greenwood's ch c, by Achilles or Bezonian—Sunglow G. D. Greenwood's b c, by Danube—Inyala G. D. Greenwood's b c, by Hierarch—Sprite G. D. Greenwood's b f, by Danube—Armet G. D. Greenwood's b f, by Obligado—Kitiroa G. D. Greenwood's ch f, by Obligado—Tournament G. D. Greenwood's blk f, by Charlemagne II.—Annabelle J. Grigg's b c, by Calibre—Golden Way J. Grigg's ch c, by Calibre—Iarita J. Grigg's b c, by Calibre—Wald J. Grigg's ch c, by Golden Knight—Tapuwai J. Grigg's br c, by Golden Knight—Dabchick J. Grigg's b f, by Calibre—Britoness W. Handley's b c, by Obligado—Soultmaid R. Hannon's ch c, by Glengowrie—St. Crispin mare F. Hall's b f, by Penury—Erryroe F. Hall's b f, by Marble Arch—Tauhel Mr. Highden's br f Sarielle, by Elevation—Parera Mr. Highden's ch f Mt. Eden, by Elevation—Waitemata Jas. Hill's ch c, by Gluten—Goldweb Jas. Hill's b c, by Marble Arch—Castle Blaney J. Knott's b c, by Marble Arch—Cyrona C. L. Lagor's br c Pacific Slope, by California—Hellene T. H. Lowry's ch c, by Finland—La Cloche T. H. Lowry's b c, by Finland—Cantata T. H. Lowry's b f, by Finland—Gossip T. H. Lowry's b f, by All Black—Aurarius H. E. MacKenzie's b c, by Elysian—Lady Hester H. R. MacKenzie's blk c, by Penury—Hamadryad H. R. MacKenzie's b f, by Elysian—La Cigale H. R. MacKenzie's ch c, by Penury—Cyrima H. R. MacKenzie's ch f, by Penury—Lycia C. E. Major's b c Column, by Marble Arch—Alfalfa W. Montgomery's br c, by Elysian—Lady Regal G. F. Moore's b c, by Signor—Helen Portland G. F. Moore's br f, by Signor—Simonla G. F. Moore's br f, by Signor—Carissima Exors. late W. F. McBeth's br f, by Alawa—Crucinella J. E. McGee's br f, by Penury—Hypatia Norman MacKenzie's b c Caber Feagh, by Penury—Corea J. McNicol's b c, by Elysian—Seabird J. McNicol's b c, by Marble Arch—Mcnoquill J. McNicol's b f, by Marble Arch—Wa'orongomal D. Noake's b f, by Signor—Miss Penelope Hon. J. D. Ormond's b f, by Hymettus—Marty Hon. J. D. Ormond's b f, by Hymettus—Simois Hon. J. D. Ormond's b f, by Birkenhead—Gladisla Hon. J. D. Ormond's b f, by Hymettus—Derelict Hon. J. D. Ormond's ch f, by Hymettus—Asiatic Hon. J. D. Ormond's b g, by Hymettus—Balama Hon. J. D. Ormond's b g, by Hymettus—Straga Hon. J. D. Ormond's b g, by Hymettus—Temerity

Hon. J. D. Ormond's b g, by Hymettus—Humming Bird Hon. J. D. Ormond's br g, by Birkenhead—Eon Hon. J. D. Ormond's ch g, by Hymettus—Mandola J. E. Palmer's b c Lift, by Elevation—Eduam Harvey Patterson's b c, by Menschikoff—Chance Shot Harvey Patterson's ch c, by Menschikoff—Scotch Device Harvey Patterson's br f, by Delaware—Becky Sharp Harvey Patterson's br f, by Menschikoff—Fabia Harvey Patterson's b f, by Menschikoff—Souldana Harvey Paterson's b f, by Delaware—Lady Majestic Harvey Patterson's b f, by Menschikoff—Mauveen Harvey Patterson's ch f, by Menschikoff—Madonna Mrs Harvey Patterson's br c, by Delaware—Lady Melton Mrs Harvey Patterson's br f, by Menschikoff—Nante J. Paterson's ch c, by Seaton Delaval—Serita J. Paterson's b c, by Seaton Delaval—Analogy J. Paterson's b c, by Seaton Delaval—Tauriki J. Paterson's b c, by Bunyan—Scotch Thistle W. H. Paterson's b c, by Marble Arch—Marama W. H. Paterson's ch c, by Seaton Delaval—Porirua W. H. Paterson's br f, by Seaton Delaval—Post Score Frank A. Price's b c, by Hierarch—Agatha W. C. R'ng's ch c, by Bunyan—Blackwatch Frank E. Ross's b c, by Elysian—Signet II. W. Ryan's blk f, by Penury—Lady B G. B. S'arky's br c, by Downshire—Sequin W. G. and G. L. Stead's b f Bonny Dream, by Boniform—Dreamer C. S. Stevens' ch c, by Gladstone—Victorine W. Walters' br f, by Marble Arch—Lady Musket W. Walters' b f, by Marble Arch—Momi W. Walters' b c, by Marble Arch—Merry Nif W. Walters' b c, by Marble Arch—Lady Rose W. Walters' br c, by Marble Arch—Soulgirl E. J. Watt's br c, by All Black—Perseis E. J. Watt's b c, by All Black—Red Plume E. J. Watt's ch c, by All Black—La Notte E. J. Watt's b c, by All Black—Rose Seaton

G.N. OAKS, 1916.

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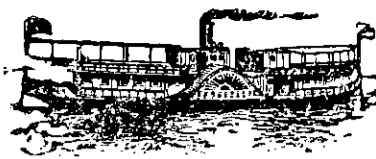
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Miss Ruby Roberts, the champion lady billiardist, is creating the greatest interest among players with her remarkable skill. She is making an extensive tour of the Dominion, giving exhibitions in the various towns.

Victoria League Garden Party.

A most successful garden party was held at Mr. R. C. Carr's residence under the auspices of the Victoria League. A tennis competition was won by Miss Enid Ree and Mr. Keith Hunter. Mrs. Edgar and Miss Ballard won the croquet competition, the prizes being given by Mrs. W. R. Bloomfield, Mrs. W. J. Napier and Mrs. E. Andersen. Enjoyable items were supplied by an efficient orchestra and the Misses L. Brierly, Tanner and Saxon gave an exhibition of fancy dancing. Mr. Napier gave a short address on behalf of the League executive.

The Wanganui Races.

That picturesque spot, the Wanganui racecourse, was looking at its best for the autumn meeting, and Northern patrons were loud in their praises. Amongst those on the lawn were Mrs. D'Arcy, Mrs. Christie, Mrs. Patterson, Mrs. Blundell (Dunedin), Miss Muriel Starr and Miss Mary Worth of "Within the Law" Company, Mrs. W. L. Young, Mrs. Eric Riddiford, Mrs. Harold Cooper, Mrs. Walter Johnston (Wellington), Mrs. Hutton, Mrs. F. Moore, Mrs. Reg. Collins, Mrs. W. H. Barnicoat, Mrs. J. Dufgan.

A League of Politeness.

A League of Politeness for the purpose of cultivating the externals of courtesy is being created in New York. There will be branches throughout the United States, the underlying idea being to round off the rough edges of servants and tram conductors and other classes whose sterling hearts are often veiled under bearish exteriors. The new league does not seek to make waiters, attendants in subway trams, and policemen servile, but to encourage them to speech and actions in their relations with the public more consistent with the standard of good breeding. Members of the league will wear a badge, and are expected to show a good example in everything relating to acts of public and private courtesy.

The New Winter Hat.

An item from an American fashion paper is to the effect that the most fashionable colour for the new winter hats is black and the most fashionable materials are velvet and velour. Almost no other colour is seen. And there is remarkable similarity in the shapes and in the trimming. Nearly all of the hats roll upward from the face. They are not large and almost universally becoming. The trimming is simple and in many cases consists merely of a band and a fantasia of aigrette, fued ostrich or Paradise plume. Redleaf hats are the acknowledged smart headgear for autumn. As their name implies they repeat the tones of the fading foliage as well as those of the woods and the fields during the waning of the year. Of medium size, they come in brown, green, bronze, copper, mustard and purple velours, and to trim them there are embroidered scarfs, braided bands and brilliantly-coloured feather fancies.

Earl Grey and Countess Grey are spending a holiday in New Zealand.

Novel Beauty Exercises.

A noted French actress, the "Mail" says, uses a novel method of exercise when indoors. Each morning her maid enters her room with a basket of tiny pieces of paper, which she scatters all over the floor. This done, the actress starts picking up every scrap, one by one, until there is not one to be found on the carpet, so by the time she has finished this operation she has exercised a good many muscles of her body.

"Every woman likes to think of her discarded lover as one who is inconsolable."—"The Sword." By C. A. Benton.

Babies' Hospital for Napier.

A movement is afoot in Napier to build a babies' hospital in connection with the Plunket Society. A substantial sum has already been subscribed. Mr. E. W. Knowles has donated a site worth £500, and also £200 to the building fund, and Mr. J. Vigor Brown (the Mayor) donated £100.

The birth of a son is announced to Dr. and Mrs. J. M. Mackintosh Bell, late of New Zealand, now of Canada. Just now Dr. and Mrs. Bell are in London, living at Cheyne Walk, Chelsea.

denial my mother has told me she had to lead in her early married life?"

"They remember that their mother always used to seem to be working. She would sit up sometimes far into the early morning darning her husband's socks, mending rents in her children's clothes, sewing buttons on antique shirts, and occasionally—but only very occasionally—making a new blouse for herself or "turning" her skirt, in a vain endeavour to imagine that, when once it is turned, she will have a dress which will look almost as good as new. They think of all these things, and, having thought about them, they say: 'We'll I should like to get married, of course but really it doesn't seem worth it for me—or my wife.'

"Looking at the question from this point of view, who shall say whether the man is right or not to remain unmarried? I, for one, could not reply to it with any degree of conviction."

America's Snow Baby.

Miss Marie Peary, the only daughter of Admiral and Mrs. Robert Peary "America's Snow Baby," as she is popularly called, made her debut in Washington on Saturday afternoon (says a recent London paper).

She met hundreds of friends of her parents amid floral offerings, and under the well-worn flag which her father carried for sixteen years on the repeated expeditions that terminated only with the discovery of the North Pole. Mrs. Peary, who shared her husband's spirit to such a degree that Saturday's debutante was born within 13deg. of the Pole, looked more like the elder sister than the mother of this far-North debutante as they stood together before a large three-panel screen of American beauty roses.

The "Slinker Slouch."

A correspondent of the London "Daily Mirror" declares that Englishwomen, by following the fashion of wearing gowns with flowing curves are in danger of permanent injury to their figures. "The slinker slouch," she writes, "is the only possible description for the limp and lackadaisical gait which woman is now adopting. This slouch, from a health point of view, is most distressing."

The White Guimpe's Rival.

Although few of the minor dress accessories so much become the average woman as does the guimpe and stock in white or cream net or chiffon, a rival of it has recently appeared (says an American authority). This is the transparent guimpe precisely matching the gown or frock, and in many cases it looks extremely well. In gray and tan tones it is markedly smart, also in many shades of brown, green and mauve, but in blues and reds its effect is almost uncanny. A very good example of the matching tone guimpe was seen in a French model in maize-coloured silk voile having a deeply cut-out bodice filled in about the bust and throat with maize net over a slightly deeper shade in maize chiffon, the better to counteract the pink tone of the flesh.

Mr. Spencer Lorraine, who is well known in musical circles in New Zealand is in London at present.

The wedding took place in Christchurch on February 26 of Dr. Louisson, of Christchurch, and Miss P. McGellan, daughter of Mr. T. McGellan, of Fisherton.



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The Tango.

Lady Helmsley, a well-known English gentlewoman, who entertains a good deal, is reported to have said upon the subject of the Tango:—"I think it is a great pity that the old Spanish dance, the Tango—quite graceful in its original form—should, in the course of its indirect introduction to our country have acquired so many of the nigger-dance characteristics now associated with it. I am sure it will never be taken up seriously as a ball-room dance."

The Parisian's New Mascot.

Paris has taken up a new mascot, which is to be seen everywhere. It assumes the shape of a snail, hitherto only favoured as an edible, but now manufactured in gold and silver and precious stones. The "escargot" has leapt into immediate popularity, displacing the miniature horse-shoe, the white elephant, and the four-leaved clover as a luck-bringer.—Globe.

Decline in the Marriage Rate.

Madame Clara Butt recently gave her views to an English paper on the decline in the marriage rate. The famous contralto thinks it is due, to a large extent, to the different standpoint the younger generation take of life as compared with the standpoint of their grandfathers and grandmothers. The younger generation have larger ideas, more varied and wider interests, more ambitious ambitions than were those with which their fathers and mothers started life.

"When they think of the struggles their fathers have told them about their early married life, how they pinched and saved and screwed, and denied themselves almost the ordinary necessities of life to provide their children with the means to procure a good education, and so on and so forth, they think to themselves, 'Is it worth while? I am now earning a small income—have I the right to ask a woman to lead the life of self-

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Mrs. Hugo Friedlander and Miss Friedlander, of South Canterbury, left last week for Australia, where they intend staying until Easter.

At the Sandringham meet of the West Norfolk Hounds, Princess Mary made her first appearance in the hunting field, on a side-saddle, as all her ancestresses, especially Queen Victoria, did, and not the cross-saddle, which is now so much in vogue in England. The "Ladies Field" opened its columns to correspondence on this subject. The net result is that the side-saddle—and the writers are all expert lady riders of light and leading—with all its disadvantages, is more graceful and safer than a cross one, and fewer side-saddlers get emptied in the hunting field than cross ones.

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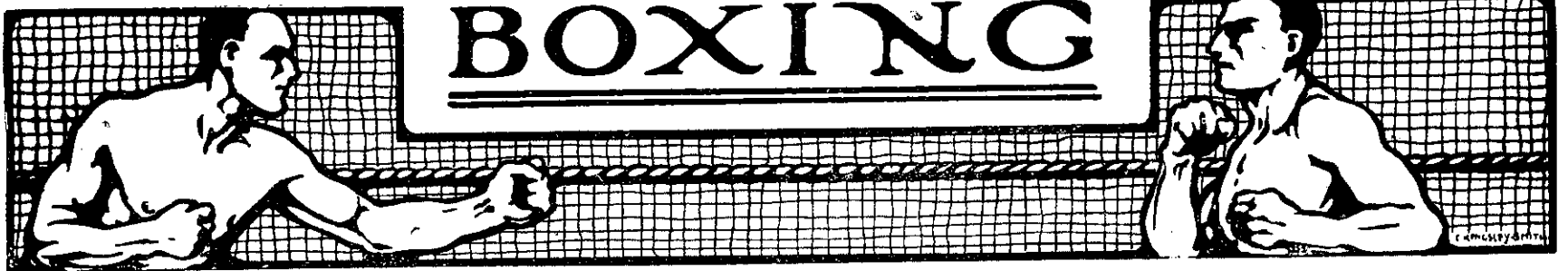
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The recent twenty-rounds contest which put together at Luna Park, Paris, Sam Langford and Joe Jeannette attracted a huge gathering, and gave place to a splendid bout (says the "Mirror of Life"). To Jeannette's superior cleverness Langford opposed his exceptional strength and punching ability, and won the day, but not until Joe had given a remarkable display of pluck and determination. How Jeannette managed to stay the distance I am at a loss to explain, but he did, however, and Sam had to content himself with a points victory, despite all his efforts and the fact that in the thirteenth round Jeannette appeared to be at his mercy. In that fateful round the "Tar Baby" scored three terrible knock-downs of eight, nine, and nine seconds respectively, Joe rising on the last two occasions a fraction of a second before the word "out" was pronounced. Not that this was calculated, for Jeannette appeared too dazed to be aware of his surroundings, let alone enter into calculations, but simply because Joe's fighting instinct and his undaunted pluck commanded him to regain his equilibrium. When on his feet he appeared absolutely helpless, yet he stood again three or four of Sam's formidable punches before again striking the canvas a second time. On his feet after the third knock-down, he leaned up against the ropes unable to raise his arms. Sam hesitated a moment, then slowly advanced to place the coup de grace, but at that precise moment the gong rang out. That sound, so familiar to a boxer, seemed to rouse Joe somewhat, for he instinctively ducked an imaginary attack and slowly regained his corner.

The 13th round was certainly one of the most thrilling I have witnessed for a good while—since Ghent, in fact. Although "time" had saved Jeannette from an almost certain knock-out, we reared that it was only a step back to leap the better; it seemed impossible that Joe could recover sufficiently during the short sixty seconds' respite to be able to check that terrific fighting machine the gong was going to call him to face. Impossible is, however, but a word, and to the surprise and satisfaction—a plucky man always attracts sympathy—of the onlookers, Joe at once got busy in the fourteenth round, and did well with the left—far, far better than any of the sportsmen present could have anticipated.

Yet Sam Langford, to bring about the exciting incidents of the thirteenth round, had worked like a Trojan, rushing at his opponent despite the efforts of Joe to keep him away with the left, and crushing home those short but deadly hooks which characterise Langford's work. Slowly but surely he had sapped up Joe's strength by continually aiming with both hands at the moving target which was Joe's head, meeting with alternate success. The blows that did get home told, and these, helped by terrific body punching when Jeannette tried to hang on, had brought Dan McKetrick's magnificent colt to the dilapidated state we found him in before the third knock-down. When the climax came we looked on in wonder; Sam himself appeared satisfied with his work. Then came the fourteenth and fifteenth rounds, and Jeannette's extraordinary come-back, his excellent work and generalship. Bit by bit Jeannette seemed to recover his strength. As the energy crept back Joe became more and more pressing, dashing home his left repeatedly, and following up with smart uppercuts with the right.

During two rounds Sam appeared somewhat nonplussed; the cheers for Joe were deafening, the spectators encouraging Jeannette for all they were worth. Was the man who a few minutes ago appeared on the

verge of defeat by knock-out going to clutch victory, which had slipped from his grasp? Langford regained his former calm attitude, and the fighting machine was again set in motion. The work started in round one was resumed, and we saw what we had seen in the first half of the fray, Joe gradually growing weaker under the effects of Langford's terrible blows. Rap, rap, rap went Sam's glove—right, then left—in his opponent's jaw; nearly each punch that landed told a tale, but still Jeannette, whose pluck roused storms of applause, stood the strain. His legs went shaky, his eyes glassy, but he would not strike his colour. Time and again he would put on a spurt, lash out a left or a right, but only to be calmed down by Sam's deadly weapon. When the last round opened it was impossible to say whether Joe Jeannette would see the three min-

give his opponent a shade in the weight—just try it and see what a change has come over him since he reached the top of the heap.

When Jim Corbett was an amateur he was simply daft on boxing, and whenever a prominent fighter arrived in California he would give me no rest until I got him a chance to box with the visitor. When he turned professional he would fight every chance he got, and the harder the game the better he liked it. He won the championship in '92, and held it until '98, and although every big fighter in the world wanted to meet him, he only made one fight during the six years he held the title.

The little fellows are no different; while they are climbing up the pugilistic hill they invariably carry a chip on their shoulder, but after they reach the summit they do more fighting about weight than they do in the

me that if a chicken, whose average weight is five pounds, can give away two ounces, a prizefighter ought to be able to give away two pounds.

I don't blame the big fellows for being careful after they become champion; nor do I blame the little fellows for making the best matches they can. Weight means a whole lot to them, and a match well made is half won. Still, it would take more than a few ounces to keep two of the old school apart.

There was a boxing exhibition given in Birmingham, England, years ago, and after the show we were in a cafe, when a man slapped Jim Mace, who was in our party, on the back, saying, "Hello, Jim, old chap! Don't you remember me?" Jim recognised him as a man he had fought thirty years previous, and received him cordially. The man was a giant in stature, and told Jim that he had become a prosperous farmer, and had come to town to see the show. After he left Jim remarked that he was the biggest man he ever fought.

Joly Ross, of Edinburgh, Scotland, jokingly said, "Yes, Jim, I was at that night, and when you saw that big fellow climb through the ropes you looked scared to death." Jim laughed, saying, "The moment he stepped into the ring I was sure of winning, for I knew he was too big to beat me." Jim in his day had fought Sam Hurst, and as Sam weighed 250 pounds, they must have dug Sam's old opponent up out of a dime museum. Tom Sayers, the gamest and most beloved Briton of them all, was partial to big opponents, and had no trouble defeating such giants as Harry Paulsen, Bill Benjamin and Tipton Blasher. He had a way of his own of binding the fellow, and even our own John C. Heenan, big and clever as he was, had to be led away from the ring after that never-to-be-forgotten battle at Farmborough in 1860. During the long and eventful career of the redoubtable Tom he only once felt the sting of defeat, and that was at the hands of a 154-pound man, Nat Langham.

Very true, men don't fight to-day like they did in those days; and they don't talk like they used to, either. The old bare-knuckle boys had a habit of using the expression, "I'll fight him if he weighs a ton." They use that same expression to-day, but they only use it on the stage.

GENERAL NOTES.

The aboriginal boxer, Jerry Jerome, is shortly to participate in a series of contests at the Sydney Stadium. Jerome has been out of the game for a considerable time, owing to the Queensland Government authorities being over considerate for the welfare of the black man, but they have now acquiesced to Jerome's wishes to enter the pugilistic arena, and he is now under the capable charge of the negro boxer Peter Felix, one-time champion of Australia.

Little is heard nowadays of the American middleweight boxer Billy Papke, who for several years held the world's middleweight championship. Papke recently signed an agreement to meet the clever American middleweight George Chip in January, but had the misfortune, during training operations, to fracture his hand, and the bout was consequently called off. This is the second occasion on which Papke has broken his hand, for it will, perhaps, be remembered that a similar accident happened to him in a battle with Frank Klaus in Paris twelve months ago.

The lightweights Peter Cooke and Jim Hegarty will meet in a fifteen-rounds contest at the Greymouth Boxing Association's tournament on March 14.

Packy McFarland, the famous American boxer, who has been engaged for three contests in Australia, recently incurred the displeasure of



JACK READ, the clever American lightweight, who is at present making a successful boxing tour of the United States.

utes out or not; his features were now covered with gore; he was weak, but pluck never deserted him, and he was on his feet when the gong sang out the amen.

Frantz Reichel, the referee, immediately gave Langford the decision. Both opponents were much applauded, Jeannette especially. A word remains to be said: Will Langford be recognised as world's champion?

RING REMINISCENCES.

NOTABLE BATTLES RECALLED.

In his reminiscences of the boxing ring, the late Billy Delaney, the great American authority, makes the following reference to the much-discussed question of weight:—

When a fellow first joins the pugilistic brigade the only thing he wants is a chance to fight, and usually weight, purse, and conditions cut no figure with him. He is full of ambition and isn't afraid to take a chance right off the reel; but let this same young man become a champion—then ask him to fight at short notice, or

ring. How often in recent years has a championship battle fallen through because the principals could not agree on what particular hour they would weigh in? Some years ago Abe Attell and Owen Moran were matched to box in San Francisco. The articles called for 126 pounds ringside, and forfeits were posted accordingly.

Abe weighed in all right, but when Owen weighed he just barely raised the bar of the scale. He claimed he made the weight, and so did Billy Roche, who witnessed the weighing, and was to referee the fight. He ordered the boys into the ring, but Abe declared that Owen was over weight, and claimed the forfeit, and refused to go in the ring until he received it. They had to come through, and the fight took place, which, by the way, ended in a draw. Owen was only a couple of ounces over weight, but gave Abe the chance to claim, and Abe was never known to overlook a bet.

The rules governing chicken fighting the world over allow either chicken to weight two ounces more than its opponent, and it seems to

the Wisconsin State Boxing Commission, who passed suspension on him for "slovenly" boxing in his recent contest with Jack Britton, of Chicago, at Milwaukee. It is interesting to note that this is the only occasion on which McFarland has been censured for his work in the ring, but this can have little bearing on his Australian engagements, for his successful ring career is sufficient to make his forthcoming visit one of the biggest attractions ever arranged in connection with boxing in Australia.

Regarding Packy McFarland's meeting with Jack Britton, the contest was a no-decision one and was fought in the presence of 6000 spectators, who protested loudly at the unsatisfactory nature of the bout. McFarland had the better of five rounds, while four were even and one was Britton's. Both in the eighth and ninth rounds Packy had Jack groggy, but was unable to put him out. Britton at times fought McFarland to a standstill, and even outboxed him, but this was only in flashes. The crowd jeered the boxers during most of the contest, and there were numerous cries of "Put 'em out," "stop the bout!" McFarland's stiff lefts to the jaw, his clever blocking, and Britton's wild swinging gave Packy the lead at the end of the second round. Both men were jeered as they went to their corners at the end of the third round. Neither man seemed to be anxious to fight. The crowd was far from pleased with McFarland's showing during the third and fourth rounds, but in the fifth round McFarland showed some of his clever boxing ability, and in the sixth clearly outpointed his opponent. Packy also had the better of the seventh round and the eighth was even. The fighters were hissed repeatedly for their slow and uninteresting work. The men woke up in the ninth round, both exchanging heavy blows to the body and jaw. Britton was in a bad way at the end of the round. The tenth round was even, with McFarland landing at the close.

Harry Stone, the American lightweight, who is at present on the way to England after a successful stay in Australia, has been promised a match with Britain's lightweight champion, Freddie Welsh, who is hot on the trail of Willie Ritchie, world's champion. Stone is also keen on securing a match for the championship with Ritchie, and his recent points' victory over Matt Wells in Australia, together with his two defeats of Johnny Summers, has brought him into wide prominence in the United States, where he enjoyed little fame, despite his many excellent contests prior to undertaking the voyage to Australia. His most notable achievement in America was his ten-rounds bout with Abe Attell at a time when the former champion was at his best. The bout took place at Saratoga, and the critics were almost unanimous in the opinion that Stone had won. Stone also held his own in a ten-rounds no-decision bout with Jack Britton, and got a decision of a draw in a fifteen-rounds bout with Leach Cross at Baltimore.

The much-boomed English heavyweight, bandsman Blake, was, following his defeat of the "Dixie Kid," considered to have an excellent chance of depriving Bombardier Wells of the championship of Great Britain, was given his opportunity at the National Sporting Club, London, last week. The result of the contest practically does away with Blake's pretensions as a heavyweight champion, for the Bombardier disposed of him with a knock-out in the fourth round. Thus Wells has successfully defended his British heavyweight title, and at present there appears little chance of any of the heavyweights at home removing him from his pedestal. Maybe that the Bombardier will now be tempted to have a third attempt at measuring strength and skill with the French marvel, Georges Carpentier, who seems to be Wells' chief stumbling block.

At latest Bob Fitzsimmons was appearing on the films at the picture theatres at home in a drama of love and pugilism, specially written by R. H. Davis, editor of "Munsey's Magazine." In this picture representation old Bob meets his son, Bob, jun., in the ring and knocks out the bearer of his name with fatherly care. Young Bob is built along lines similar to those of his father, but is bigger, in spite of the fact that he is just 17. Bob, sen., announces on the film that he is training his boy for the ring, and expects him to be even a greater fighter than himself. The play is entitled "A Fight for Life," and is a two-reel feature. The story centres about a young college athlete, who wins fame as an amateur boxer, but gives up sparring because of the opposition of his nancee. When his father dies, however, and leaves him penniless, he secretly enters the professional ring, and as "The Unknown" defeats all-comers. He is about to meet the champion of the world when he has to choose between the battie and his affianced, and he cancels the contest and marries the girl. Years pass, the wife is dying and the young husband has neither money nor work. He learnt of a chance to win a lot of money by "staying" ten rounds with a noted boxer, who has offered so much a round to all-comers who can last with him. Young Fitz plays the pugilist. He and his manager recognise "The Unknown," and, fearing defeat and financial loss, they "dope" the "come-back" amateur. Here is where old Fitz, who has been the "Unknown's" friend and trainer throughout the picture, comes out strong. He takes "The Unknown's" place in the ring, knocks out the challenger and wins the money. This he cheerfully hands over to the young husband, who is thus enabled to take his invalid wife to a more favourable climate, where she entirely recovers.

New Zealanders, and Aucklanders in particular, will learn with regret that Mr. W. W. ("Bill") Naughton, the sporting editor of the San Francisco "Examiner," has been stricken with heart disease, and the doctors declare that his chances of recovery

are poor. Mr. Naughton is recognised as one of the greatest authorities on boxing of modern times, and his interesting contributions to the Sydney "Telegraph" are widely read throughout Australia. He is a native of Auckland, and a couple of years ago took the opportunity of visiting the city of his boyhood and renewing acquaintance with many of his old friends.

Particulars to hand of the recent contest at Nice, France, between Georges Carpentier and Pat O'Keefe show that it was a very one-sided affair whilst it lasted. A large crowd assembled to witness the French champion make a chopping block of O'Keefe, and though they only saw two rounds for their money, they had, at any rate, the thrill of seeing a man really knocked out, which is more than happened at the National Sporting Club, when Wells went down. Not having any temperamental idiosyncrasies in his opponent to snare his tactics, Carpentier opened very cautiously against the wily but ancient O'Keefe. There was some range-fighting, and then a right to the man's ear sent him down very hard, so hard that he was beaten from that moment. He got a few lefts on to Carpentier's face, but there was no devil behind them, while Carpentier replied with rights and lefts to the middle which further weakened his opponent. In the second round he again sent O'Keefe down with body blows and another terrific swing on the ear. Repeating his attack on the stomach he got O'Keefe's head forward, just as he disarmed Wells, and with a left and right hook, delivered at tremendous pace and with all the art of his body behind them, Pat fell to sleep for more than a minute.

Jimmy Clabby, the American middleweight boxer, will arrive in Sydney a fortnight before Easter. He will thus have two weeks in which to finish his training operations for his first battle, which will be against the winner of the Eddie McGoorty-Jeff Smith contest. The bulk of his training work is to be carried out on the R.M.S. Sonoma, on which he will have a thoroughly-equipped gymnasium, so that he should land in Sydney in first-rate fettle.

Jim Sullivan beat Jack Harrison at the National Sporting Club on February 23, making the pace so hot that the loser retired in the fourth round. Sullivan, who was recently in Australia, and Harrison are both ex-middleweight champions of England. Harrison held the honour the more recently of the two, but some time ago he handed in the belt, and had, apparently, retired. He has evidently come forward again. It was Harrison whom Eddie McGoorty knocked out in one round in New York soon after treating Dave Smith that way.

Pat O'Keefe beat Reeve on points at the National Sporting Club the other night after 20 rounds. O'Keefe, using both hands well, drew blood in the first round by landing heavily on Reeve's nose. Ever after the

damaged organ worried the Englishman a good deal. In the third round O'Keefe landed his right flush on his opponent's jaw, and in his eagerness to follow up the blow he slipped on his knees. The fourth session saw Reeve staggering under a succession of heavy lefts and rights on the jaw. Subsequently the Irishman's superior ringcraft and boxing told, and he won well. Though slower than formerly, O'Keefe was still faster than Reeve.

Johnny Summers and Boyo Driscoll are at present on the homeward voyage to England after a lengthy stay in Australia. The trip has not been as satisfactory to either as it might have been, particularly to Driscoll, who returns to the Old Country a much disappointed boxer. Driscoll had reckoned on doing well financially in the Commonwealth, but bad luck pursued him in the shape of rheumatism, which kept him from fulfilling all but two matches. The young Londoner, however, showed that he was a featherweight of no mean ability, for he won both his matches with Charlie Simpson. Summers' trip must have proved very successful financially, for he fought a good number of battles in Australia, and one against Hock Keys in New Zealand, but his record showed no less than four defeats, both Harry Stone and Tom McCormick beating him twice. In consequence of the latter defeats Summers returns to the Old Country minus the welterweight championship of the British Empire.

Arthur Cripps, the Queensland middleweight boxer, who retired from the ring several years ago, is at present in strict training with a view of meeting Tim Land at Brisbane on March 28. Cripps' return to the ring will be watched with interest, as he is well on in years and may not find the "come-back" performance by any means an easy task.

Mr. R. L. Baker is negotiating with Charlie White, the crack English featherweight, who has done a bit of fighting in America since 1908, for three fights in Australia.

Freddie Welsh recently won the decision at the end of ten rounds at Galveston, defeating Frank Whitney, of Cedar Rapids, Ia. Whitney's best chances were in the second and fifth sessions, when he slowed the British champion up considerably with two stiff wallops to the point of the chin. After the start of the fifth round it was just a question of how long Whitney would last. He finished on his feet, but it was only the lack of a sleep punch on the part of Welsh that enabled him to do so.

Bob Vernon, who is a staunch friend of Jim Jeffries, recently received a letter from the ex-champion, in which he stated that he has decided to go around the world, but will not do any more fighting. He further announced that he has received an offer from Hugh McIntosh, the former fight promoter of Australia, to give boxing exhibitions at the different theatres in the Commonwealth under his management, and that he has accepted it.



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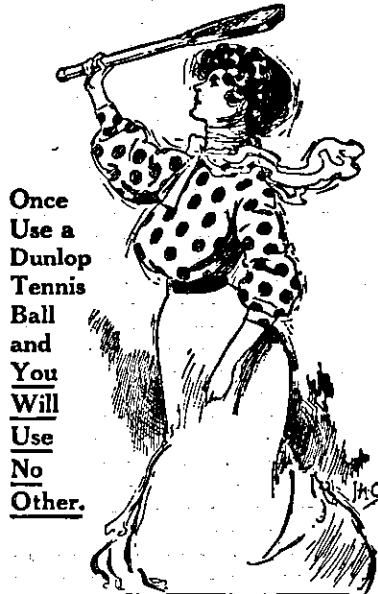
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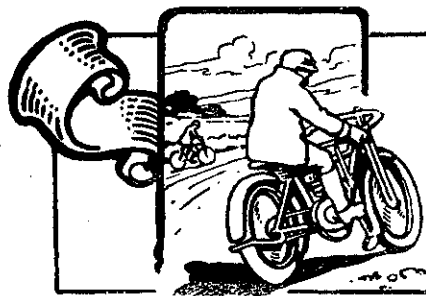
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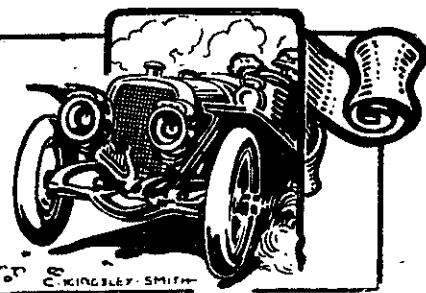
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Hamburg is the only city in the world with an automatic system of calling public motor vehicles. If no taxi-cab is on the rank, the placing of a coin in a box signals to the central office, and a cab is sent.

During the year seventy-four danger signs have been supplied to the several country councils throughout the province of Hawke's Bay, and have been erected for those bodies on the Main South Road, Taupo Road, and Tunanui, Maraekakaho and Kereru roads, in positions recommended by the Hawke's Bay Automobile Association.

A well-known Christchurch resident, the father of the Ellwood instrumentalists, who has been motoring in the North Island, made some nasty remarks about the roads he passed over. The worst road of all, he says, is between Te Kuiti and New Plymouth. A hill eight miles long had to be climbed. The road is not a road really, but merely a bullock track. It was not an uncommon experience to get out and build up the track in order to get the car through. The speed at last dropped down to seven miles in three hours. As an off-set to those little troubles the party saw some grand and beautiful scenery. The best of this was between Mokau and Urenui, on the West Coast, coming over Mount Messenger. Mr. Ellwood believes that the scenery there cannot be surpassed in any other part of New Zealand. The road runs through the forests, which contain a remarkable profusion of fern trees of gigantic size. The fronds of one of them, growing on the roadside, covered the whole car.

the surface, before repacking does not seem to be within the scope of local things. Mr. Henning dwelt upon this unpleasant aspect of the local bodies' ideas on roading sarcastically. Local bodies, he said, evidently thought that loose metal thrown on a road would grow, or that something would happen to it by leaving it like that. The metal was thrown down in patches, here, there and everywhere. On the Great South Road, between Auckland and Mercer, he said, there was sufficient loose metal to make a magnificent road if it were properly looked after and bound in position by men stationed at different points along the road. At present the metal acted as a pick under the pressure of passing vehicles, and thus helped to tear the road up.

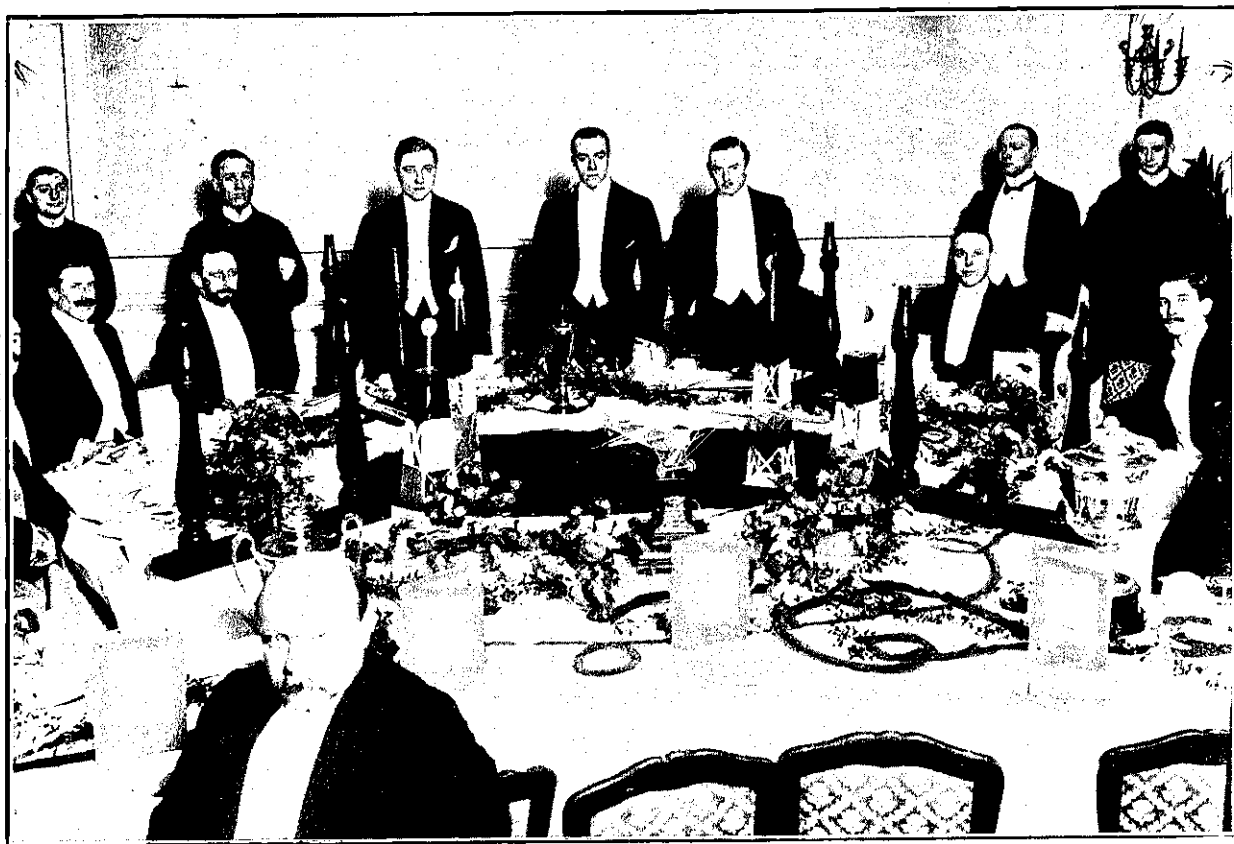
The members of the Manawatu Motor Cycle Club entertained, and made a present to one of their members, Mr. Alex. Anderson, prior to his departure for England. The president of the club, Mr. F. Stockwell, made the presentation.

contribution by the motorists using the Gorge road, so there may be a sum available to do good and effectual work. The method, which is the only one of permanent advantage, is to widen the road at the bad corners, and to lay out at intervals throughout the Gorge road places of safety for passing other vehicles. The hope was expressed that not only members, but other motorists using the road, will contribute to this desirable object.

The suave confidence trick man has made his appearance in the Cathedral City in a new form. A day or two ago a man who was the owner of a motor cycle was approached by a stranger who announced himself as a prospective purchaser of the machine. After a careful examination of the motor cycle the stranger indicated that he was prepared to buy, but would like a trial spin first. The owner readily agreed, and the stranger mounted and rode off. It proved to be a long trial run, for the owner has seen neither his machine nor the stranger since.

Castor oil as a medium for absorbing road shocks on motor cars has been introduced in the Houdaille hydraulic suspension device. The invention resembles, in principle, the shock absorbers used for minimising the recoil of big guns, and consists of a circular metal case filled with castor oil or glycerine, which absorbs the road shocks, which are conveyed to the substance by a lever fixed on the car springs at one end and operating a device inside the oil case which effectually nullifies the upward rush of the bump, and also reduces the succeeding downward movement of the car body. There are several systems of shock absorbers for motor cars, and their use is becoming general, as they have the effect of not only making the car more comfortable, but lengthening the life of the tyres.

One of the best-known cars on the flat highways of the South Island is the Ford roadster. The advance in business done by this company, both in New Zealand and other parts of the world, has led to the head of the firm installing a profit-sharing scheme that is somewhat unique in the annals of commerce. The profits will be distributed fortnightly. In future a mechanic in receipt of £1 a day may find in his pay envelope twice per month a sum which will bring his daily wages to approximately 31s, while an ordinary labourer, whose wage hitherto has been 10s 6d per day, will have his earnings increased to £1. All this, Mr. Ford states, has been made possible by the fact that the company, instead of reducing the price of each car £10 sterling when a reduction is justified by its profits, will devote this money to improving the financial position of its employees. Women employed by the company will have their wages increased, but will not be allowed to participate in the profit-sharing unless they can prove they are supporting a family. Two millions will be distributed among employees annually. The working day for the men is also reduced an hour to eight hours without decreased pay, and a minimum daily wage for all employees of 22 years or older of 5 dollars has been decided upon. The company has also organised a sociological department to watch the employees' manner of living, and to found using their extra money improperly will cease to be beneficiaries.



UPSIDE-DOWN DINNER—NOVEL TRIBUTE TO FAMOUS BRITISH AIRMEN.

An "upside-down dinner" in honour of the aviators Mr. B. C. Hucks (the first British airman to loop the loop) and Mr. Gustav Hamel (the first airman to loop the loop with a passenger) was recently given in the Royal Automobile Club, London. The dinner began with coffee and finished with the hors d'oeuvres, and the invitations were printed so that they had to be read with the aid of a mirror. The names from left to right are:—Messrs. J. W. Orde, G. Holt Thomas, Gustav Hamel, Grahame White, B. C. Hucks, Richard T. Gates, and J. Valentine. On the extreme right and left of the picture appear two waiters standing dressed in mechanic's overalls. To add to the upside-down appearance the tables had legs pointing to the ceiling. [L.N.A., Photo.]

A local contemporary records a strange race which took place between New Plymouth and Feilding. A lady passenger left her infant child in a carriage while she went for a cup of tea. She was returning when she found the train pulling out on the resumption of its journey, and failed to board the vanishing train. A motor car was engaged and went away in hot pursuit, but history is silent, as is often the case, upon the most important fact in the whole sad tale—did the motor car outdistance a New Zealand train and the distracted mother again clasp her offspring, or was it another case of Bootles Baby?

The subject of road-making was referred to recently by Mr. G. Henning, who represented the Auckland Automobile Association at a conference upon road maintenance. The speaker dwelt upon one aspect of the subject which never fails to arrest the attention of visitors to Auckland—the very bad method of road formation. The local bodies of the city and suburbs seem to regard the roads as so many shingle heaps where broken metal can be "dumped" and left to its own resources. Hence the distinct impression of traversing a series of horizontal stairs when motoring over the uneven surface. The subject of re-grading, ploughing up and levelling

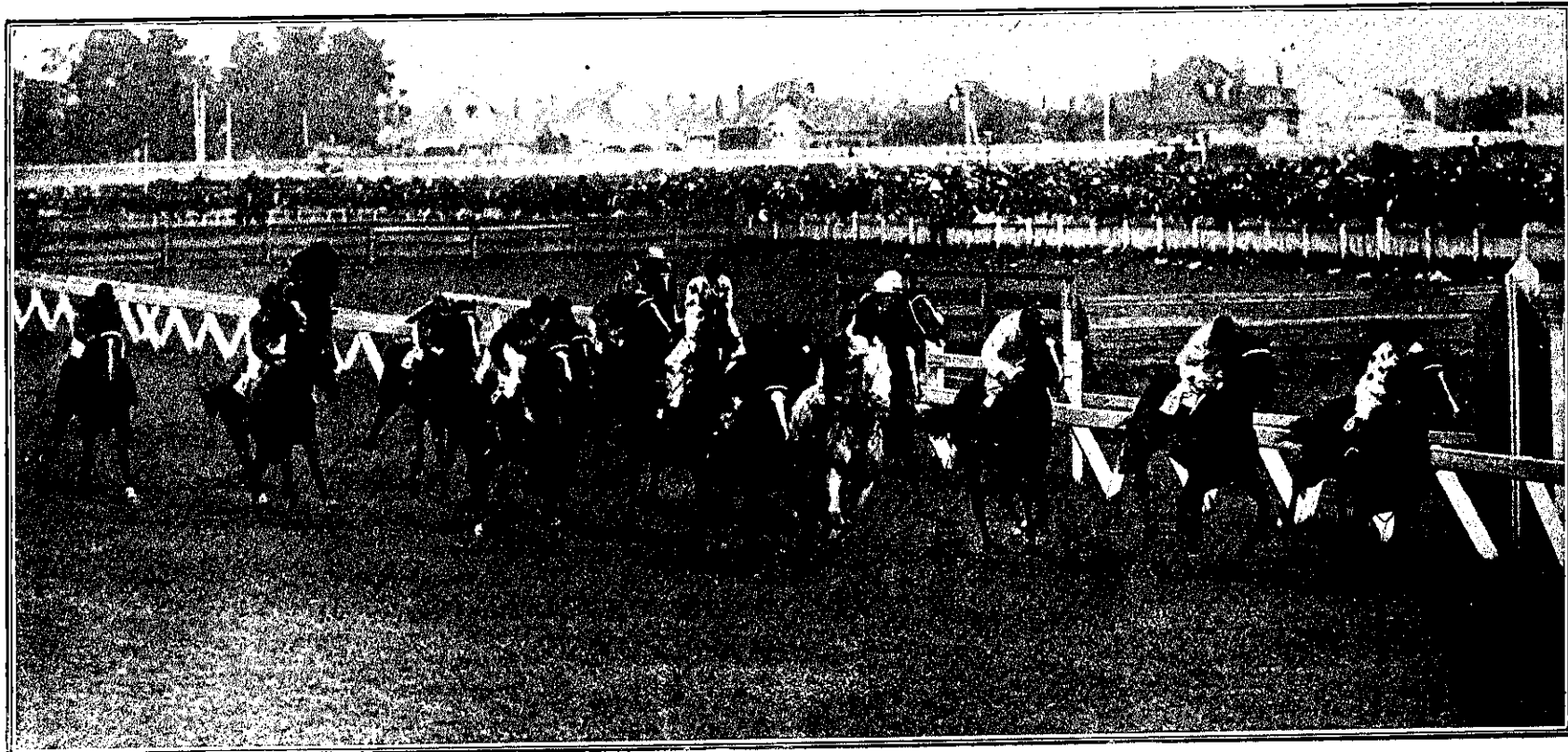
Mention was made at the annual meeting of the Hawke's Bay Automobile Association of the conference of local authorities and of the Manawatu, Wairarapa, and Hawke's Bay Automobile Associations, held at Woodville on the 21st January, to consider the best means of lessening the dangers of motor traffic through the Manawatu Gorge. It was stated that a sum of between £200 and £300 had been set aside by the Government to be expended under certain conditions of grants by the local bodies for this purpose. The local bodies concerned are prepared to enter upon this matter, but they consider that there should first be some

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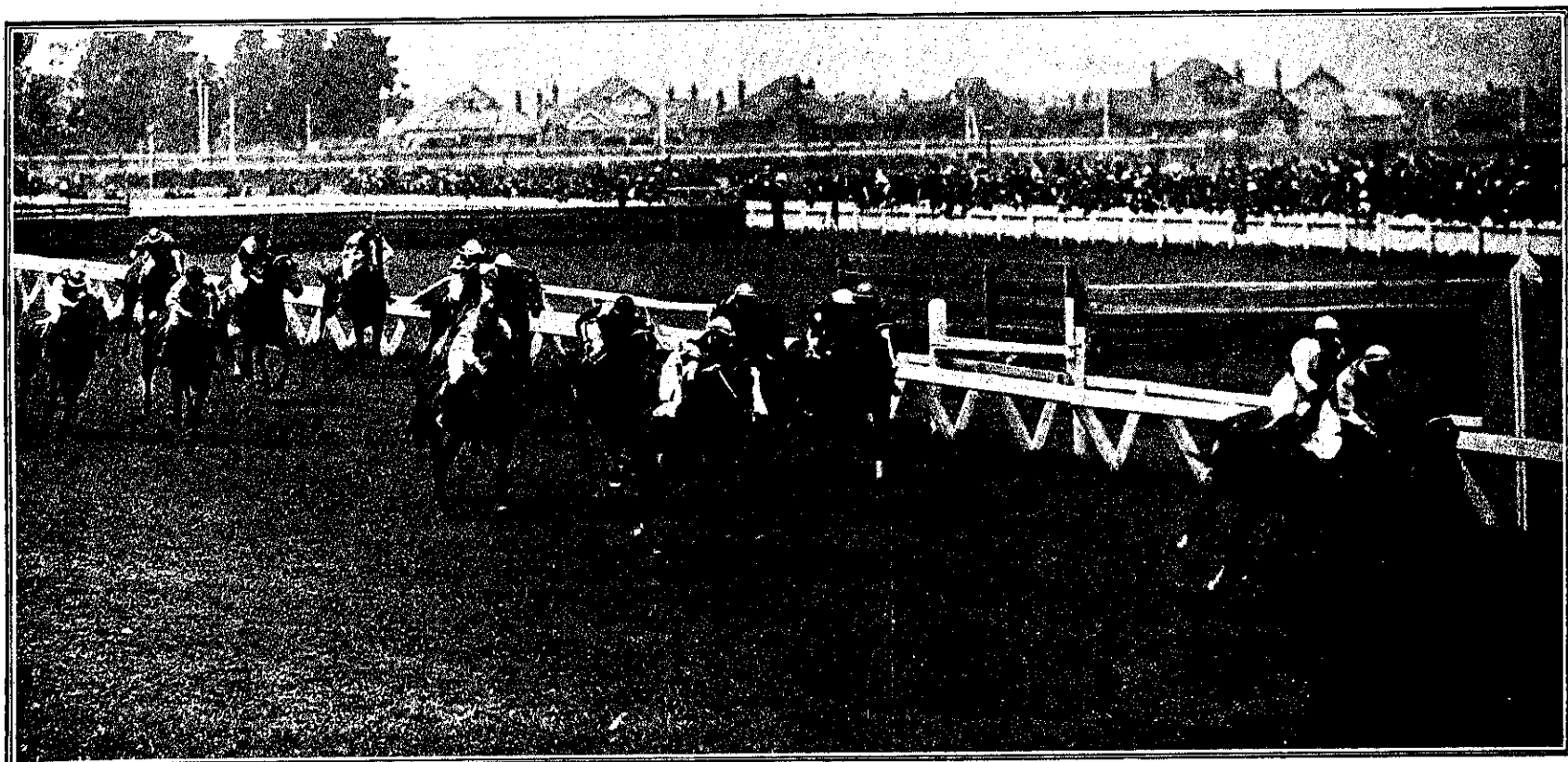
THE VICTORIA AMATEUR TURF CLUB'S AUTUMN MEETING.



GOLD BREW (G. LAMBERT) WINS THE HAWKESBURN HANDICAP (SIX FURLONGS) FROM AVERSE (W. H. SMITH) AND OWEENEE (W. H. McLACHLAN).



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BUSINESS ITEMS.

BAKER'S PICTURES.

ART UNION.

Owing to the Minister for Internal Affairs extending the time for the closing date of the Exhibition, Mr. J. M. Schapiro informs us that in order to permit our country readers to participate in one of the most attractive art unions held in the Dominion, he has decided to postpone the drawing of the art union until the closing date of the Exhibition, consequently those of our readers who have not yet purchased tickets for the same still have an opportunity for doing so. The pictures, which are on view in the main building Court 6D at the Exhibition, are worthy of inspection and of high merit, and we would point out that for the nominal cost of a ticket at one shilling, it entitles the owner to an opportunity of securing a most valuable picture.

A speed of 132 miles an hour was recently attained on a 300 h.p. Fiat motor car handled by M. Duray, the well-known French driver. This speed was established over a flying straightway kilometre (1093 yards) at Ostend. Duray's time was 16.9 seconds, and is the fastest yet attained on a motor car.

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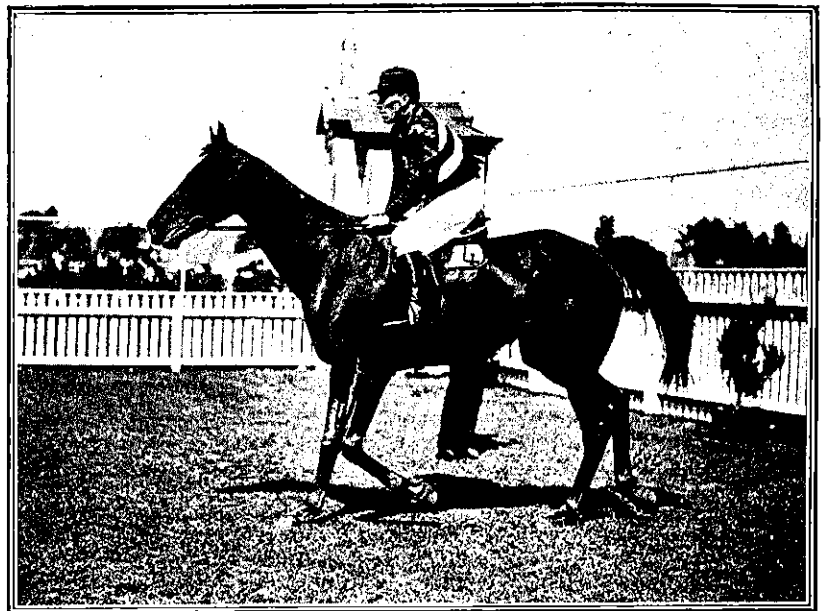
The lady champion, Miss Ruby Roberts concluded her Auckland season with a game at Mr. A. Calkin's room, Whangarei. On Thursday evening, at the room of Mr. Otto, Te Aroha, Miss Roberts conceded a local amateur 100 in 500 and won by the narrow margin of two points. On Tuesday evening Miss Roberts will give a display at Otorohanga in the room of Messrs. Cribb and Co., and then goes on to Wellington, where a large number of engagements have been arranged for her. Miss Roberts enjoyed her stay in the Queen City immensely, and a short trip to Rotorua impressed the visitor with the wonders of the thermal region.

On Friday the members of the Reform Club were regaled with a billiard display which proved interesting and enjoyable. The club crack Mr. Goodhew was opposed by W. E. Stephenson, the New Zealand champion, in a game of 500 up, the amateur receiving 200 start. Stephenson proved in good form, and won by 113 points, making best runs of 76 and 70, and gave an attractive exhibition of his skill. Mr. Goodhew was not seen at his best, though he made two nice breaks of 37 and 36. In some snooker games that followed Stephenson was again seen to advantage, while in this branch of the science Mr. Goodhew shaped splendidly.

It is highly probable Stephenson will settle permanently in Auckland, and his being in residence here will be a distinct advantage to the game. Stephenson has a thorough knowledge of the game and should make an ideal tutor.

During the visit of Miss Roberts a lady amateur from Hokianga tried conclusions with the lady champion. The local lady played very well indeed, and only requires tuition and practice to be quite in the front rank of lady cueists.

The first heat of the English Billiard Championship between George Gray and T. Reece proved the Englishman to be in splendid form. It reads strangely that Gray could only score comparatively few points while



ARUAKE (E. Murtagh) returning to scale after winning the Tayforth Hack Hurdle Race (1 3/4 miles) at the Wanganui Jockey Club's Autumn Meeting.

Reece strung together over a thousand, and the cable advises that Gray went all to pieces. The vagaries of the billiard spheres are admittedly wonderful and at times it is impossible to score, and Gray may have struck a bad period. But win or lose Gray is too brave a sportsman to show the white feather, even under severest pressure, and a modification of the cable report can be looked for when English files come to hand.

Gus Leffler, well known to New Zealand players, is still able to put up a decent game. In a match of 500 up with Will Abotomy at Hogand, Leffler won by 106 points with best break of 51. The loser, who is a very fine cueist, could not strike form, a run of 45 being his highest score.

"Snooker" of the "Referee," who has recently been on a visit to New Zealand, in an interview with the Christchurch "Sun," speaks about the amateurs in highly eulogistic fashion. The following is an extract from the interview:—

—I have seen no amateur who is Mr. Muir's equal. It is quite a common occurrence for him to run up a century at the top of the table, without going to hand-execution that no other amateur is capable of. Most of the successful amateurs on our side, like Smaller, Beauchamp, and Von der Luft, rely on what is known as the "all-red route" for their points. Not so with Muir. His billiards are of the classical order.

AN ALL-ROUND SPORTSMAN.

"Next to Muir, I should place Mr. Charley Chavannes, of Wanganui, as the next best player that New Zealand has produced, not even excepting the famous Billy Weston, who a quarter of a century back played John Roberts at Dunedin. Chavannes is getting up in years now, like many of us, and is a time pass with the cue; but in the days when the Wanganui sportsman had few equals with gun, whip, or bowls, he played an excellent stick.

THE PRESENT NEW ZEALAND CHAMPION.

"I have not yet seen the present New Zealand champion, Mr. Valentine, in action, but near that he possesses all the attributes of a great cueist. I hope to watch him at work next week in Dunedin.

"One of the very best amateurs in Australia is a New Zealander, Mr. J. R. Hooper, at one time an Auckland golfer, tennis, bowls, and billiards champion. He is stationed at Newcastle, but does not compete in the Australian championships. In Newcastle, however, he has defeated John Roberts, H. W. Stevenson, and other stars at half the game s.a.r.—which is excellent form for an amateur. John Roberts was so charmed and surprised at Hooper's exhibition that he publicly stated that Hooper was the finest amateur player in the world."

The opinion is generally expressed in Australia that we should send a representative over to the next Australasian Amateur Championship, which is to take place in August next. If it could be arranged for either Messrs. T. Muir, C. Chavannes or F. Valentine to make the trip the contest would be invested with much interest to Dominion amateurs. A movement having for its object sending the best amateur over should claim much support, and possibly the Amateur Sports Club in this city may interest itself in the matter during the coming season.

At a recent presentation made to a member of the Manawatu Motor Cycle Club, reference was made to the subject of silencers. Advantage was taken of the occasion to impress upon motor cyclists the determination of the club to do all in its power to suppress excessive speed, and insist that silencers should be kept closed within the Borough. It was pointed out that the club expected its rules to be rigidly observed. Silencers must be closed, and a reasonable speed maintained, and members were liable to expulsion for breaches of the regulations. It was stated that certain members had been appointed in various parts of the town to report cases which come under their notice, and the club would take the initiative and institute prosecutions upon the reports made.



A WELL-KNOWN WANGANUI SPORTSMAN—MR. C. CHAVANNES, handicapper and referee to the Wanganui Gun Club.

"Have you seen many of New Zealand's players?" asked the pressman. "Yes; I have seen most of the best New Zealand players during the past ten years, and unhesitatingly plump for Mr. Tom Muir, of Invercargill, as not only the most proficient amateur in the Dominion, but of the English-speaking world; or, at least, he was a few years back. I do not mean that he would defeat any other amateur player. His nervous temperament militated against success in public, perhaps. What I mean to convey is that in the higher flights of billiards—touch, technique, and position play

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Princess Theatre (Continuous).
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 Globe Theatre (Continuous).
 Lyric Theatre.
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HIS MAJESTY'S.

"THE BEGGAR GIRL'S WEDDING."

That melodrama has a large following in Auckland is once again demonstrated. Melville's latest work, "The Beggar Girl's Wedding," is the test this time, and obviously meets all expectations, judging by the applause accorded its presentation by George Willoughby's Dramatic Company. Sensations are spread thickly on a dish of improbabilities, and through four acts and thirteen scenes give the melo-dramarian good measure for his money. It tells the story of Jack Cunningham, a wealthy spendthrift, who shelters a beggar girl, and incidentally marries her to fulfil a provision in his father's will. This upsets the calculations of his cousin, Lindsay, and with the aid of his paramour, Maud Villiers he hatches a scheme to kill Jack and his wife so that he might inherit their fortune. Fate and a little chloroform bring the victims into his power and he duly hands them over to a crazy doctor, whose particular form of amusement is poisoning his patients slowly in a cage of death. Jack's friends, however, come to the rescue at the opportune moment. There is a ju-jitsu struggle, and the doctor and the villain replace the hero and his wife.

Mr. George Cross makes a handsome and likable Jack Cunningham, acting quietly and with impressiveness. Miss Vera Remeé has a natural charm and repose of manner that makes her acting of the beggar girl stand out conspicuously, and one would like to see the young actress in a more exacting part. Mr. Rutland Beckett, as the villain, and Miss Oriel Hotson, as the villainess, are kept busy vigorously hatching plots, and the manifest disapproval of the audience is their reward. Miss Gwendolyn Dorise, as Jack's sister, has a small part which she handles with her well-remembered charm. Comic relief is supplied by the irrepressible Dicky Storm in the person of Frank Albert, and by Tina Torkington (Miss Fanny Erris), a young lady of much piquancy. Mr. Ward Lyon, as a thief trainer, and Mr. Thomas E. Tilton, as "The Dodger," are well in the picture with their character studies, and lend weight to the situation.

"The Beggar Girl's Wedding" will be celebrated till Saturday, when "No Mother to Guide Her" goes up.

THE PAUL DUFALT CONCERTS.

An enthusiastic audience farewelled Mr. Paul Dufault at His Majesty's on Saturday night, and gave him a memorable ovation. His scholarly interpretations and the exquisiteness of his vocal art have stamped the French-Canadian tenor indelibly in the hearts of his listeners. Each concert was a sheer delight. As one critic expresses it, "He is a wizard opening up the unknown." Mr. Dufault's farewell programme was mainly composed of numbers that proved most popular at previous concerts; the powerful



MR. G. L. PETERSEN, the well-known touring manager for Wirth Bros., Ltd.

"Invictus," the dainty "Mignon," the stirring "Au Pays," the tragic "Lorraine, Lorraine, Lorraine," and "How's My Boy," "Melisande in the Wood," "Joseph in Egypt," "L'Anneau d'Argent," "Silverlynne." Recalls were clamorously demanded and the announcement of encores and annotations were a much appreciated innovation. Miss Pauline Bindley (soprano), Mr. Ernest Toy (violinist), and Mr. Harold Whittle (accompanist) also shared in the demonstration.

A line from the Kennedys is to hand to the effect that they will be along shortly. They are now playing south, giving an artistic entertainment.

OPERA HOUSE.

At the head of this week's bill at the Opera House is Brent Hayes, banjoist, who has a world wide reputation. He made his first appearance on Monday and scored tremendously with his classical and rag-time items, the latter being particularly to the public taste. Mr. Hayes was recalled half-a-dozen times and generously responded. Prominent amongst the new-comers were Cunningham and Rose, a specialty duo from America, who kept the audience in a riot of laughter with their quaint humour. A novelty was introduced by Captain Brunswick and Co., in their typical Western sketch, which they featured



LIEUTENANT SHELDON, ventriloquist and humorist, who is touring New Zealand with Blanchard's Bellringing Entertainers.

with sharp-shooting and rope manipulation. Mitchell and Lightnor were another pair to make good in their offering of musical gags and patter, and they met with a big reception. Valentine and Bell's cycling act is again responsible for pleased astonishment, and the two clever artists have a full meed of applause. Millie Doris has a fresh stock of songs and jokes which she dispenses with vivacity. Sharpatt and Lang, the Strattons, Kingsley and Graham, and the Philip Sisters supply the bill with new musical sketches, dancing, and good humour. Several distinctly novel turns are coming along shortly, which, Mr. D'Arcy Perry assures us, will satisfy all vaudevillian traditions.

WIRTH'S CIRCUS, LTD.

This well-known combination will appear at Auckland, Monday, March 23rd, location, Victoria Park. A real travelling circus and menagerie, with six ponderous elephants, buffaloes, camels, hippopotamus, lions, tigers, panthers, leopards, jackals, polar, brown grizzly bears, monkeys, and a large mandrill (the only one in Australasia), with performing ponies, horses in liberty acts, horses in menage acts, performing elephants, educated Polar bears, trained lions and tigers; a circus and a menagerie that takes three trains to convey it from place to place. Such a circus is that owned and conducted by Messrs. Wirth Bros., Ltd. It is Australia's representative show, organised by the present owners in Sydney in 1880, 33 years ago. It has twice travelled the world, the only circus in the world that has accomplished this feat. The proprietors have travelled round the globe a dozen times seeking novelties and sensations. It is a huge concern, employing nearly 500 hands and 80 horses. Its huge marquee, capable of holding 5000 people, is covered in throughout, and is both wind and waterproof. Its roof this year is a veritable network of aerial rigging, on which perform the world's best aerialists. This season's spectacular and sensational specialties include Dare Devil Desperado, the audacious aerial athlete, who will defy danger by leaping from a height of 87 feet on a concave platform of solid wood upon his chest and hands; La Belle Victoria, queen of the slack wire, who has created a furore wherever she has appeared; the world-famous Nelson and Bastien families in acrobatic and Risley performances without precedent or parallel; the Flying Caonans, Europe's premier aerialists; the Stair Sisters, contortionists and gymnasts; Alfredo, the flying man; the Sisters Hobson, America's wire-walking prodigies; and a galaxy of star turns performing all manner of wonderful and daring feats. There will be thrilling exhibitions of animal training, a marvellous performance by a dozen snow-white Polar bears, also Herr Doblados' performing sheep and pigs, the only act of its kind in the world. The zoo is in itself an educational delight.

ROUND THE PICTURE SHOWS.

QUEEN'S THEATRE.

"Brothers at War" is the title of a stirring drama that has drawn like a magnet at the Queen's Theatre since Monday. It is a real live story, based on an incident in the American Civil War. How one John Adams, hearing of his child's illness, breaks through the enemy's ranks to visit his home, and how he becomes reconciled to his wife's brother, a Confederate, is told in a series of thrilling scenes. "Peggy's Invitation" is a pretty little story of a fishermaid and her adventures at a bal masque. The Queen's Weekly Chronicle, a budget of local interest, contains views of the Waitemata Show, the wood-chopping competition, swim-

ming carnival, Sentinel beach, etc. Visitors are reminded that the change of programme takes place on Thursday.

GLOBE THEATRE.

The special feature at the Globe Theatre this week is the "Padrone's Plot," centring round a band of anarchists and the exposure of an infamous plot. Another drama with a popular appeal is "A Prisoner of War," a story reminiscent of the days of Napoleon. Some exquisite studies of Agra, items from the Warwick Chronicle, and two laugh-makers in "A Flirt's Mistake" and "Married Men" add to the list of consistently attractive programmes presented at this theatre.

LYRIC THEATRE.

There is a craze for the Tango just now. Those who wish to familiarise themselves with the steps of this much-talked-of dance should pay a visit to the Lyric this week and see it danced by the New York exponents Wallace McCutcheon and Joan Sawyer. Every step is shown so thoroughly in these motion picture dancing lessons, that anyone can follow them and should easily become an accomplished dancer. The Viennese Hesitation Waltz and The Turkey Trot are also exploited. A budget of good things accompanies the Tango. "Salvation Sal" is an exciting drama that meets with high favour, while comedy is supplied in "The Late Mr. Jones" and "An Aeroplane Love Affair." Happenings from the Gaumont Graphic and an educational film depicting the life of a wasp make up a first-class programme that will be presented to patrons nightly during the week.

WEST END THEATRE.

If you want to learn the Tango a night at the West End Theatre will provide you with cheap tuition. How it is danced is settled once and for all. If you have any qualms as to its propriety, see how Joan Sawyer and Wallace McCutcheon, of New York, interpret it.

IN PERSONAL TOUCH.

Mr. G. L. Petersen has been spending a few days in Auckland on his annual visit, easing the way for Wirth Bros.' circus. Mr. Petersen has been identified, with this well-known organisation for the past fifteen years, and is as popular with New Zealanders as the circus itself. After renewing acquaintances with a host of friends here Mr. Petersen left by the Niagara for Sydney.

Mr. A. W. Batiste has received word from Mr. E. J. Carroll, an Australian entrepreneur (closely identified with foremost firms in the States, but whose principal diversified interests are centred in, and who practically controls the picture business of Queensland), that he has elaborated an extensive and ambitious scheme for production of novel attractions of English, Continental and American repute, negotiations being completed upon a recent visit abroad.

Mr. Carroll intends invading the Dominion in quick succession with The Great Leroy, Talma and Bosco Show—26 people and 50 solid tons of scenery and effects; by special arrangement, J. C. Williamson, Ltd., Graham Moffatt's Scotch Players, in "Bunt Pulls the Strings," which played 500 consecutive nights at the Haymarket, London, and now running to enormous business in America; Harrington Reynold's American Company in "The Rosary," comedy-drama in four acts, by Edward E. Rose, in conjunction with George Willoughby, Ltd.; William Morris' English Company, in "The Blindness of Virtue," four-act play by Cosmo Hamilton; and Victor and Chas. Hugo's American Dog and Pony Show, comedy, novelty, sensation and spectacle. Particulars concerning the initial venture will shortly be announced.

Maud Allan (says a writer in the "Lone Hand") is not strictly beautiful, but she is very graceful, and has the most expressive hands on the English stage. When she moves her arms in the dance, you think of silbons, flames or running streams.



GAY SCENE AT PLAYGOERS' BALL, recently held in London. The ancient and modern—Mrs. Kibble-White wearing crinoline and Miss Croft in a Tango tea gown. [L.N.A., Photo.]

Miss Olga Nethersole is a suffragist. "Brain is sexless," she says. "There is no such thing as a man's brain and a woman's brain. It's just brain."

A "Charley's Aunt" Club has been founded in England. Membership is confined to actors and actresses who have appeared in the farce.

Plays that stir the conscience of a country are not written between chats in a Broadway restaurant.—David Belasco.

Miss Daisy Jerome, a London artist, is making a big hit with Australian audiences in "Come Over Here."

Another well-known theatrical representative has passed to the great majority in James E. Moore, brother of Miss Maggie Moore, his death occurring in Sydney last month. Mr. Moore came to Melbourne with his sister in 1874 and for years was business manager for Williamson, Garner and Musgrove. He also managed companies taken out by Maggie Moore. He had a large circle of friends in New Zealand who will regret his death.

Referring to "Joseph and His Brethren," Melbourne "Punch" says:—The great temptation scene is cleverly handled by author, actor and actress, for it is highly realistic without overstepping the border-line of propriety. Such of the temptation as is staged has full Biblical warrant, and consequently should not shock the sensibilities of even a Sunday School teacher. Mr. Malcolm Tearle (Joseph), and Miss Ethel Warwick (Potiphar's wife), like the author, give effect to the realism without offence to the audience.

The Dunedin Amateur Operatic Society, never idle for long (writes our correspondent), has secured Winter Show dates at His Majesty's from Messrs. Fuller and Sons. The Society is paying £150 for the privilege, which is a fair amount for an amateur society to stand before the expenses of the production itself are incurred. The favourite opera "Paul Jones," which has not been done here since the old Pollards staged it years ago, with Maud Beatty as the picturesque buccaneer and Charlie Albert as the Insect, was seriously contemplated for production, but has been held over in the meantime and "A Country Girl" substituted.



PRINCESS BARIATINSKY (in centre) with the two first prize-winners—MISS DOROTHEA TEMPLE as "La Pella-grina" and MR. HARRY REES as an Indian Chief, at the Playgoers' Ball, London.

MISS VERA REMEE.

One of the exactions of melodrama is a charming heroine. "The Beggar Girl's Wedding" is well to the fore in this respect.

Miss Vera Remeé, as prophesied by the conscientious young touring manager, Mr. A. W. Batiste, fills all requirements. She is endowed with youth, beauty and brains and lends distinction to the parts she interprets.

Miss Remeé was in New Zealand five years ago with H. R. Roberts, playing Princess Alice in "The Prince Chap." That was her first professional engagement. Since then she has been associated with William Anderson, and later joined the present organisation.

Miss Remeé does not consider melodrama the highest form of art, but "it is a fine school in spite of its improbabilities," said the little French actress to a "Review" representative. "The plays are generally human, and so they make a wide appeal. One is handicapped, though, in melo-drama as compared with drama. In the former you have to hold the author up, as it were, and try and make good, while in drama the author holds you up with clever dialogue and feasible situations.

"My greatest ambition," said Miss Remeé, "is to play in American drama."

Mr. Talleur Andrews and Miss Vivian Talleur, who were in New Zealand a year ago with the Comic Opera Company, are at present at Sydney Tivoli (Hugh D. McIntosh), where they are big favourites.

"What Happened to Mary" is the next Bert Bailey attraction to be presented in Melbourne. Mr. Bailey (Dad, in "On Our Selection") will take the part of an old sea captain.

Mr. Dave Williams, who was advance representative for the Pink Dandies last year, is directing a tour for Blanchard's Bellringing Entertainers, who commence an extensive tour of New Zealand at Gisborne on March 16th. This company of novelty instrumentalists, harmonists and clever comedians is headed by the Musical Blanchards and Lieutenant Sheldon an American ventriloquist and humorist, and has been highly spoken of by the press throughout Australia. The remaining members of the combination are specialists in their particular lines of business, and their entertainment should be successfully received throughout the Dominion.

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GREENROOM GOSSIP.

A New York Sensation.

There has been quite a craze for white slave plays in New York recently, and, despite the fact that several of such plays have been banned. Miss Cecily Spooner, a well-known New York actress, decided to produce "The House of Bondage" (an adaptation of "The Daughters of Ishmael" at a suburban theatre.

There was a full house for the first performance, but before the curtain went up the police raided the theatre and arrested Miss Spooner, her manager and other members of the company. They were not even given time to change their stage costumes, but were conveyed to the police station in a patrol wagon. They were charged with producing an immoral play, and after formal proceedings in one of the night courts were released on bail.

Pouch on Malcolm Tearle!

Malcolm Tearle, who plays Joseph in "Joseph and His Brethren" at the Theatre Royal, Melbourne, has the idea that the average Australian is a keen humorist, even if he is unconsciously such. Hanging on the wall in Mr. Tearle's dressing room is a portrait of his father, who was a noted Shakespearean actor. One of the dressers at the theatre, entering the room was struck by the picture, for the face of Tearle, sen., was not only handsome but unusually intellectual looking, and would attract attention anywhere. "Might I be so bold," asked the dresser, "as to inquire who that gentleman is?" "That," replied Mr. Tearle, "is my father." "Very clever looking," said the dresser. "Indeed yes," replied Mr. Tearle, with pride, "he was a great actor. I could never hope to be like him." The dresser rubbed his chin thoughtfully, and stared at the portrait. "Yes, sir, it is strange that there is never more than one clever actor in a family," was his unvarnished comment.

Danger in Fooling.

"There is more danger in 'fooling' in a trapeze turn than if we were to give a real, straight-out performance on the bar," said Mr. Crooner, of the Three Pugs now appearing in "The Forty Thieves" at Melbourne Her Majesty's. "You see, in a turn of the real sort we can take every care, and perform difficult feats just as we have trained ourselves to do them. In our burlesque, knock-about trapeze act we have to broaden everything in order to get the laughs. For example, when we fall we must fall clumsily and carelessly, conveying the idea that it is all unintentional. Sometimes we go over the mark just a little too far, and we get hurt. You know, one of us falls from the bar just as another one pulls the mat away from underneath, and he falls on the bare boards. The other night my mate dropped a little bit too soon and fell on the man with the mat. The latter spent the next day in bed and had a narrow escape from serious injury."

Looking for Tacks!

The casual stranger who wandered on to the stage at Melbourne Theatre Royal prior to the rising of the curtain on the nageant play, "Joseph and His Brethren" would be rather interested and puzzled at the demeanour of some of the principals, who, with head down and eyes on the boards, race in and down the stage, apparently wrapped deep in thought. It might be hazarded that they are thinking their parts over but the conjecture would be wrong. As a plain matter of fact they are looking for tacks! In the first act of the piece, several of the players, including Mr. Tearle, who appears as Joseph, are bare-footed, and it sometimes happens that the vigilant eyes of the stage-hands fail to reveal a business-like little point that lies in wait for an unwary, unshod foot. Then there is trouble. One night during the week, Mr. Tearle naively leading his sheep across the stage just as the curtain rose, put his foot on a tack, and nearly emitted a yell, and he felt the pain for two or three days. The principals who go bare-footed now (vouches our Melbourne correspondent) make doubly sure by scanning the stage carefully for the unobtrusive but dangerous tack before the curtain rises on the play.

A Hungry Actor.

"Don't overfeed the camel," was the instruction given by the keeper of the camel in "Joseph and His Brethren" to a man who was placed in charge of the animal at Melbourne Theatre Royal. He added the caution, "If he is too well fed he will get proud and play up." However, the camel was not to be denied. He managed to get at the bag of chaff stored in the property room for drawing upon at his regular meal times and devoured nearly the whole of it. This merely served to sharpen his appetite, for he got hold of the canopy of the palanquin in which Miss Ethel Warwick, as Zuleika, is borne on to the stage and practically disposed of that. Shortly before the curtain rose on the performance, the camel's depredations were unfolded, and the property staff had to set to work to make practically a new palanquin cover, which they accomplished just as Miss Warwick had to make her entrance on the scene.

Working Off Old Gags.

Berry Lupino, the comedian of "The Forty Thieves" at Melbourne Her Majesty's, says that he very seldom has been at a loss for new gags since

Wu," which is now being produced at the Strand Theatre, London, by Mr. Smith's partner, Mr. Louis Meyer, and is the greatest of the new season's successes. The New Zealand tour of this company will commence late in August.

The second Louis Meyer-Beaumont Smith company will open in Melbourne at the Princess Theatre on August 22nd. This will be an imported farce-comedy company with a repertoire of the four finest comedies produced in London during the past three years, namely, "The Glad Eye," "Who's the Lady," "The Chaperon," and "The Real Thing." Mr. Smith has secured the Princess Theatre, Melbourne, from George Willoughby, Ltd., from August to December, and the plays will be presented by arrangement with that new and important firm.

"Outside this arrangement," Mr. Smith explains, "the tours are controlled and owned entirely by my partner (Mr. Louis Meyer) and myself. Other companies and other plays will follow. Mr. Meyer controls two London theatres (the Strand and the Garrick), and the best that he produces from time to time will be sent to me for production in New Zealand and Australia. Our names are



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he has been in Australia. If he goes to a cricket match or other gathering he hears so many quaint and humorous sayings and comments that he has no difficulty in culling enough to keep up his supply. "For real humour," said the comedian, "I think the Australian crowd takes the cake. Your 'man in the street,' with his humorous and sometimes caustic comments on things in general, is far ahead of ours in London. Again, there are numbers of people who send me humorous ideas, though, as a rule, they are not adapted to stage use. I have been told that the Australian likes old favourites, and that he prefers a well-handled chestnut to the freshest joke ever invented. One of these nights I will try this—I will work off all the oldest gags and wheezes I can rake up, and will see how they go. But I shall be prepared with a big sheet of armour plating in case the audience want to throw things at me!"

BEAUMONT SMITH'S ENTERPRISES.

"ONLY THE BEST."

Beaumont Smith is just now paying New Zealand a hurried visit with his famous lyricscope play "The Miracle," which is being presented in conjunction with Messrs. Fuller and Hayward.

The first of Mr. Smith's new attractions opens at the Adelphi Theatre, Sydney, on July 11th. This will be the Beaumont Smith and Louis Meyer English Dramatic Company, playing Rex Beach's famous drama "The Barrier," and another remarkable Chinese tragedy, entitled "Mr.

The Cheriavskys have all received the encomiums of representative musicians. Jan, the second boy, who is now about twenty-one, is the brilliant pianist of the family. Mischel, the youngest plays the 'cello. The critic of the Melbourne "Age" once declared that "in Mischel Cheriavsky the world may one day recognise its greatest 'cellist."

SOUTHERN STAGE NOTES

(By "Lorgnette.")

WELLINGTON, March 9.

There is still some doubt as to when the New Grand Opera House will be opened. So far Mr. Bert Royle has received no information from headquarters what the opening attraction will be or when the theatre will be opened. My own opinion is that it will not be opened now before Easter, and the opening attraction will probably be William Anderson's American company with "The Grafters."

The Wellington season of the George Willoughby pantomime "Aladdin" at the Opera House has been nothing short of phenomenal. Packed houses have witnessed each performance, and the enthusiasm with which this really excellent combination of artists are received at both night and matinee performances must be most gratifying to every one concerned in the production. To say that "Aladdin" is gorgeous is trite, and conveys but a small idea of the magnificence of the dresses and scenery. From the rise to the fall of the curtain the George Willoughby production most certainly stands out clearly as a remarkable production. Truly, "the old order changeth, giving place to the new" in pantomime as in everything else, and the "story," so dear to the hearts of the children, and even the old folks, of olden time, which used to be followed with such wrapt attention, is now of secondary importance, except in so far as it serves as a "peg" on which to hang all that is latest in vaudeville. Unquestionably Mr. George Willoughby has gathered together a company that for all-round excellence it would be well-nigh impossible to beat. Every one in the huge combination is a "trier," and with such a camaraderie existing it is easily understood how the production is the success it is. In a cast of characters which comprise "all stars" it is a difficult matter to particularise, each member being a thorough artist in his or her own particular line. Special mention must, however, be made of the work done by Miss Carrie Moore, Miss Grace Palotta, Miss Mabel Bachelor, Miss Nellie Fallon, Mr. Percy Clifton, Mr. Edward Stanley, Mr. J. P. O'Neill, Mr. Bert Barton, Morris and Shand, Tiny Tot Marjorie, Mr. Henri Marcelle, and the Mullaneys. It is not often I go to a show more than once, but must on this occasion plead guilty to having wandered into the Opera House no fewer than five times to see the evening performances and twice to see the matinees of "Aladdin." Nuf sed!

Mr. Alf. Linley goes to Sydney on Friday by the Ulmaroa in search of further attractions for the Dominion.

At nine o'clock on Saturday morning, February 28th the box plans for the two Tango teas were opened at the Dresden. The rush to book seats was so great that by the time twelve o'clock came round every seat in the dress-circle and front stalls, and with the exception of the three back rows in the ordinary stalls, was booked for both functions. Mr. Stanley Grant, business manager, and Mr. Charles Knight, touring representative state that in all their theatrical experience they never saw such clever and businesslike work done in any booking office as was done by Miss Goyder that morning. Absolutely without any assistance she did all the work, and right throughout the three hours there was not one single complaint made. Messrs. Grant and Knight say they have to "hand it" to Miss Goyder as the champion booking expert in Australasia.

I made a tour of inspection of the various houses of amusement in the city and suburbs last Tuesday evening, and from conversations I had with the managers it is a safe bet to state that over ten thousand persons paid for admission to the the-

new to New Zealand theatregoers, but we intend to build up a reputation by offering only the best." Beaumont Smith, it will be remembered, brought Tiny Town to this country.

GEORGE WILLOUGHBY'S ARRANGEMENTS FOR 1914.

When making arrangements for their theatres for 1914, George Willoughby, Limited, set themselves with considerable success to compile a list of attractions that mark a distinct advance upon the policy that has hitherto been pursued by the management.

Mr. Willoughby has arranged with J. and N. Tait to present at Easter in the Princess Theatre, Melbourne, the celebrated Scotch comedian Harry Lauder and his English company on his first appearance in Australia. At the conclusion of Mr. Lauder's season provision has been made for the visit of a new American company, headed by Mr. Harrington Reynolds, who will be remembered as a member of Dan Frawley's company (which visited Melbourne some years ago) in the "Rosary," in the character of an Irish priest, Father Brian Kelly, a part which he created in America, where "The Rosary" has been playing continuously for the past five years. The company will be imported in its entirety. Following upon "The Rosary" will be George Willoughby's first pantomime, "Aladdin"—this will be after it returns from New Zealand. In this pantomime there is an innovation of having two first boys, Miss Grace Palotta and Miss Carrie Moore, with Miss Mabel Bachelor as principal girl. The management intend to produce a pantomime annually in both Melbourne and Sydney.

atres on that day. It works out as follows:—Opera House, Tango tea (afternoon), 1600; "Aladdin" pantomime (evening), 1546; Empress, 1500 odd; Peoples' Palace 1500 odd; Britannia, 1100; Short's, 1000 odd; His Majesty's, 1000 odd; The King's, 800 odd. This gives in round numbers 10,000 easily without counting the New Theatre and the two picture houses in Newtown. It does not look as if money was very tight, especially amongst the amusement-loving public.

Wellington is to have still another continuous picture theatre. A company has just been formed entitled "Pictures Limited," which will take over the business premises of Messrs. Harry Feilder, Ltd., of Manners St. with the intention of erecting on the site an up-to-date picture theatre. The new theatre will have a frontage to Manners Street of 61 feet, with a depth of 170 feet, and will seat 1500 people on the ground floor and dress-circle. The plans, which have already been prepared by Messrs. Hoggard and Prouse, provide for an attractive frontage with two shops and a commanding central entrance that will admit to a foyer 50 feet by 30 feet. Stairways will ascend from either side of the entrance to the stalls, rising to the lower part of the circle, and then by another flight the upper part of the circle can be reached. A feature of the facade will be a recessed balcony, where dress-circle patrons will be able to take the air during the interval. Tin-up chairs are to be provided throughout. Arrangements have been made for a continuous supply of the very best and most up-to-date films from the factories of England, America and the Continent.

I had a long talk one evening last week with Mr. Stanley Grant, the business manager of the "Aladdin" Pantomime Company, in the course of which he informed me that the

firm of George Willoughby, Limited, had decided to give New Zealand a thorough "try out" during the present year, for no fewer than seven of its companies will visit us before the year is out. The firm has also decided to appoint a resident general manager in New Zealand, with headquarters in Wellington, and it is probable that that astute manager, Mr. A. W. Batiste, will be installed in the position. Mr. Stanley Grant, on his return to Australia with the pantomime company, will proceed to Sydney to take up the duties of general manager in that city. Competition, even in the theatrical business, is always good, and it only now remains for New Zealand playgoers to show their appreciation of the efforts of the George Willoughby firm to cater for their amusement by patronising their attractions in the most liberal manner.

DUNEDIN.

(From Our Dunedin Correspondent.)

Mr. Dick Stewart, business manager, and Mr. John Farrell, touring manager of the New Comic Opera Company, who usually remain in New Zealand after one Williamson tour is finished to take up the next, left for Australia with the members of the company on Monday last. Mr. Stewart will take the company through to Perth, where an eighteen-nights' season will be played prior to opening at Adelaide at Easter. Brief visits will be paid to Ballarat, Bendigo and Geelong, thence Sydney, where rehearsals will be commenced of the new musical comedy "Gipsy Love," which will be included in the repertoire of the company for the next New Zealand tour.

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The Kennedys, a musical combination from England, which has recently been touring in Australia, commenced a New Zealand tour at Invercargill last week and made good from the outset. The show is working its way north, and will be in Dunedin in the course of a week or two.

The statement made in these notes recently that an American Musical Company, under Mr. William Anderson's management, proposed touring New Zealand, has since been confirmed by the arrival at the Bluff of the advance representative. The company is "The Grafters," which has been playing with considerable success in Australia for some time. The Maoriland tour opens at Invercargill on Monday next, and the company will play north to Auckland. It is stated that "The Grafters" will open the new theatre in Wellington.

That sweet-voiced vocalist, Madame Dolores, is once again with us, and charming Dunedin audiences as of yore. There is no more popular artiste touring than Madame Dolores, and her recitals are always a treat. As usual, Madame is unaccompanied, the only support being that afforded by Iris de Cairos-Rego, the accompanist. Time has sat lightly on Madame, whose voice still possesses the rare clarity of tone. Two more concerts are to be given here before Dolores departs for the north.

Mr. Wybert Stamford, the English producer, who was here last week with the New Comic Opera Company, proposes returning to England this year. He has had some years out in Australia with brief trips to London to see new productions. In a brief chat the other evening, Mr. Stamford eulogised Australians for the active interest they took in their work and their remarkable adaptability for anything connected with the stage. The

Australian children pleased the English producer immensely. "No where in the world," he said, "would you get the same results with less effort than in Australia. The children are wonderful." The Australian productions compare more than favourably with the English. The only difference is that plays are put on on a larger scale in London, where they have larger theatres. Musically the Australian musical comedy is as good as the English and the Australian choruses take a power of beating. It is only when it comes to carrying clothes that the Australian chorus suffers in comparison with the English. The English girls have better opportunities of seeing how clothes should be worn than her Australian sister, but there are many girls on the Australian stage to-day who would hold their own with the best in England.

MUSIC NOTES.

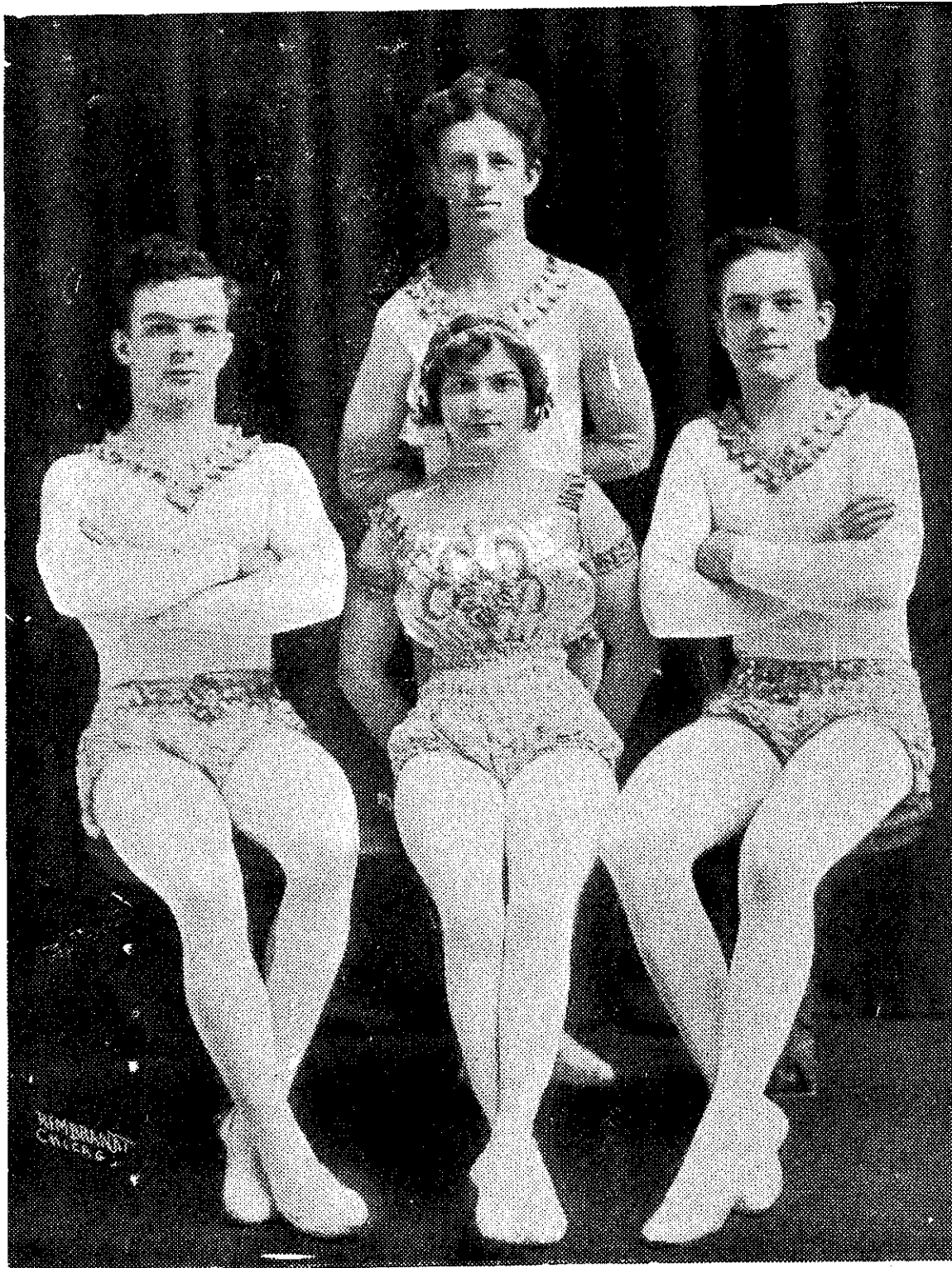
By "G" String.

Mr. David Mitchell, Madame Melba's father, who is seriously ill at his home in Richmond, Victoria, is over eighty years of age. He was for many years one of the most successful contractors in Melbourne, and took an active interest in business until his present illness. His present condition is regarded with anxiety. Madame Melba is expected to arrive in Australia early next month.

Miss Mabel Batchelor, who plays the part of the Princess in the George Willoughby pantomime "Aladdin," is a protegee of Mr. John Lemmone. She came originally from the Fort Street Girls' School, Sydney, and was taken by her master on a tour of Australia, co-operating with him as principal soprano in touring companies for over nine years. She was also the soprano singer in the companies organised to support Mark Hambourg. Miss Batchelor's most recent achievement prior to her engagement as "principal girl" in "Aladdin" was her acceptance, at a moment's notice, of the part of Musetta in "La Boheme" with Madame Melba's company, in consequence of the illness of the lady officially cast for the part.

In an editorial appreciation of the late Madame Marchesi in the musical edition of the New York "Sun," Mr. W. J. Henderson wrote as follows:—"In the death of Mathilde Marchesi, the world has lost its greatest pedagogue in the field she had so long adorned. . . . Madame Marchesi was, through Manuel Garcia, with whom she studied, a legitimate descendant of the great teachers of the eighteenth century. . . . Her sojourn in Paris, where she taught first at the Conservatoire, was the golden period of her long career. . . . Her pupils were able to shine in the masterpieces of Rossini and Donizetti when she was active with them first. When the earlier works of Verdi were in their flower her pupils revelled in the difficulties of ornamentation with which the composer enriched the possibilities of the singer. It was in the power to train them in the mysteries of coloratura rather than to impart to them the secret of a faultless legato that Madame Marchesi was most admired always. . . . Madame Marchesi had penetrated the science of bel canto. So she knew that her pupils, once they had conquered its rules, need not be limited in the style of music they could safely attempt to sing."

Miss Iris de Cairos-Rego, who will act as pianist and accompanist during the Dominion tour of Mlle. Antonia Dolores, is a daughter of Mr. de Cairos-Rego, who for some years was music editor of the Sydney "Daily Telegraph." Miss de Cairos-Rego studied in Berlin under Jonas, the Spanish master, who is accounted one of the great teachers of the age, as well as a master pianist, ranking with d'Albert and Carreno. It was in Berlin that Miss de Cairos-Rego met Mlle. Dolores, and (in private) played her accompaniments on several occasions. She is thus very glad to be able to have the pleasure of touring with the celebrated French vocalist.



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THE TOURIST and TRAVELLER

EXHIBITION NOTES.

The financial aspect of the Auckland Exhibition has been discussed in many quarters. At present the figures show a credit balance of £7158, but the commissioners have to meet liabilities exceeding that amount. There are, however, to be taken into account the prospective proceeds from the sale of the buildings, which cost about £25,000, and the fact that £6000 has already been expended on the permanent improvement of the Domain, so at the close of the executive's efforts, Auckland Domain should still have a substantial sum set aside for its permanent adornment.

A live stock exhibition, to last throughout the period of the Panama-Pacific International Exhibition at San Francisco, from February 20 to December 4, 1915, will be especially attractive and novel. A total of more than ninety thousand pounds has been set aside for premiums and cash prizes. This total by far exceeds any sum ever awarded for premiums in competitive trials of domestic stock. Among interesting exhibits will be an exhibition of domestic animals of the Andes, to be made by the Argentine Republic. A large exhibit of sheep is promised from Australasia, and the chance of exhibiting some of New Zealand's unsurpassed stud flocks and herds—flocks that already have carried away a world's championship—should be eagerly seized by the progressive studmasters of the Dominion.

A conference, convened by the Prime Minister of New Zealand (Hon. W. F. Massey), and attended by representatives of A. and P. Associations, industrial associations, and chambers of commerce throughout the Dominion, was held recently in Wellington, and the Prime Minister stated afterwards that the result of the conference had been entirely satisfactory, the delegates were very keen and very enthusiastic. They represented, he added, producing interests throughout the Dominion—both primary producers and manufacturers. "I am confident," said Mr. Massey, finally, "that a good representative exhibit of this country's products will be forwarded to San Francisco." The delegates present at the conference were: Messrs. J. M. Phillips (president Auckland A. and P. Society), S. J. Harbutt (president Auckland Provincial Industrial Association), F. S. McRae (president Manawatu A. and P. Association), C. B. Norwood (president Wellington Provincial Industrial Association), C. W. Jones (president Wellington Chamber of Commerce), E. G. Staverley (president Canterbury Chamber of Commerce), J. Grigg (president Canterbury A. and P. Association), J. B. Laurenson (president Canterbury Industrial Association), E. F. Duthie (Otago A. and P. Association), A. Londen (president Dunedin Chamber of Commerce).

The San Francisco-Panama Exposition will hold the world's wonders in thrall. Behind the two and a-half miles of frontage will congregate the nations of the earth, the wonder and glory thereof. Here in this vast and magnificent white-walled city will come the commerce of the borders of the seven seas. And New Zealand will not be lacking. The Dominion holds an area of 35,000 square feet. The pavilion occupies a fine position. It immediately adjoins the Fine Arts Court. Around the Pavilion, in the spaces will be grouped the trees and shrubs native to our land, and here it is proposed to make a display approximating £15,000. The Government exhibit is to be in the nature of a sample display of New Zealand products. It will be placed in the New Zealand Pavilion, and will not be of a competitive character—that is, it will not compete for awards. All private exhibits are to be classified and placed in a building along with the exhibits of the same class from other countries. For instance, wools from all countries sending them will be displayed in a "Wool Court"; and refrigerated products such as meat will have a separate building. Although the Government intends to

have a sample display worthy of this country, it desires the people of the Dominion to assist by sending great competitive displays. The Union Steam Ship Company of New Zealand has been liberal in agreeing to forward and bring back exhibits free of charge. The Railway Department will convey exhibits free of charge to the port of shipment. So that outside of the actual cost of the exhibits there will be practically no further charge to the exhibitors, and it is hoped that New Zealanders will arise to the greatness of this occasion to introduce their splendid agricultural products to one of the world's greatest markets.

HERE AND THERE.

Mr. and Mrs. Wynyard, of One-Tree Hill, Auckland, will leave by the Blue Funnel liner *Anchises* next month on a trip to the Old Country.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Goldsmith, Wynyard Street, Auckland, have booked to leave on a Cook's tour by the Aberdeen Company's liner *Norseman* at the end of this month.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Birch, of Ponsonby, Auckland, will leave by the *Makura* for a pleasure trip to London.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Maslin, of Kamo, Whangarei, who have been on a holiday visit to Auckland, left last week for a tour of the Thames Valley and the Hot Lakes district.

Mr. and Mrs. Turton and maid accompanied by Miss Turton and maid and the Messrs Turton (2), leave Auckland by the *Riverina* on the 16th and proceed to England.

Dr. T. R. and Mrs. Inglis, of Ponsonby, well-known residents of Auckland, leave by the *Riverina* on the 16th for Sydney.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Smeeton, accompanied by five members of their family, have booked passages by the Huddart-Parker Line for a visit to the Old Country.

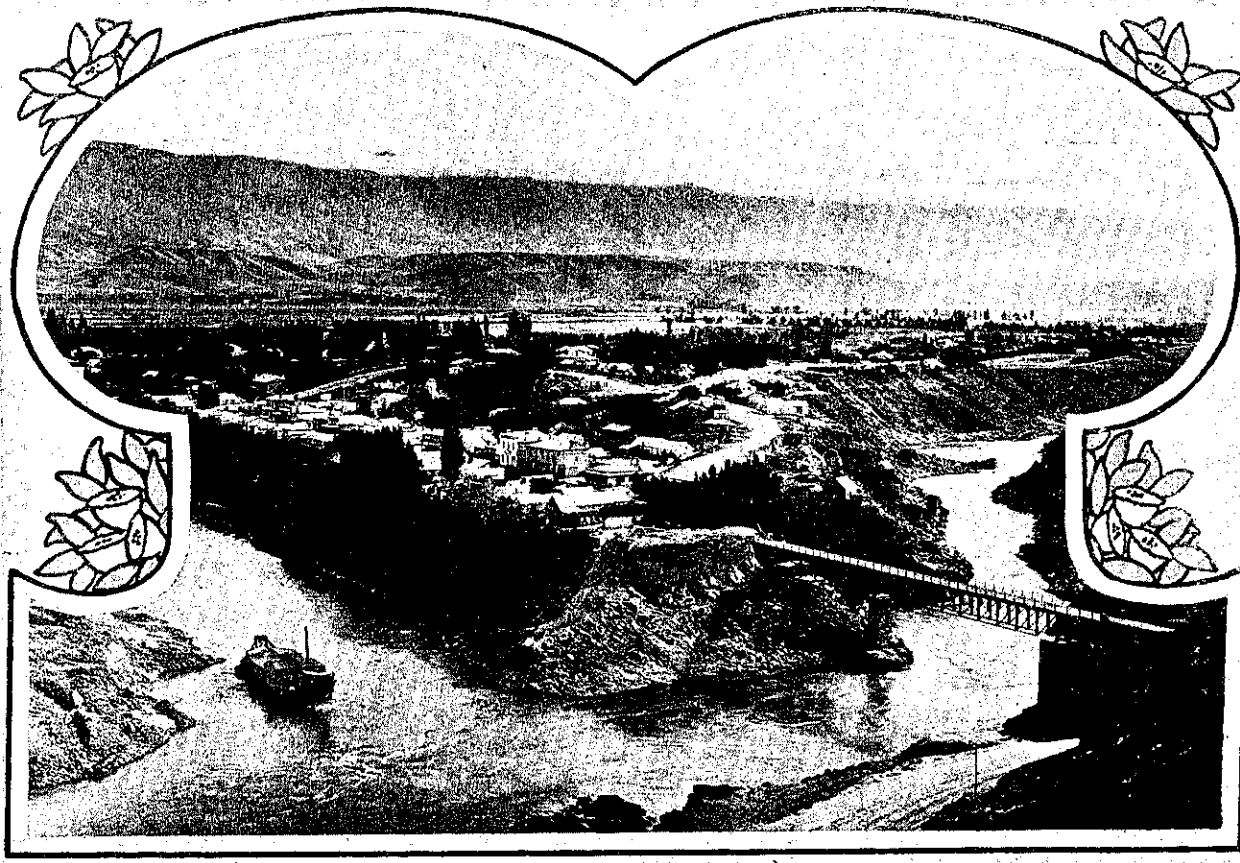
A party consisting of Sir Samuel McCaughey, Mr. and Mrs. Robinson, and Miss Sheridan, who have been enjoying the beauties of the Hot Lakes district, left by the *Niagara* last Tuesday upon their return to Sydney.

The local branch of Cook's Tourist Agency has received a cable from Yokohama which states that all the

second-class, and intending passengers are recommended to obtain at once from Messrs. Thos. Cook and Son offers of berths in steamer desired. Having berths available, this well-known firm issue a most useful "Sailing and Fare List" (posted free) giving 1914 sailings by all lines and complete fares.

Dr. and Mrs. Mill, who have been staying in Dunedin, have left for the north. They proposed going overland from Christchurch through the Otira Gorge, and up the West Coast, round to Nelson, thence through the Sounds and on to Wellington, and so on through the North Island. They expect to leave for England by the beginning of April.

Sir Ernest Rutherford, who is to attend the Science Congress in Australia, will leave England with his wife and family on July 1 for Australia. They will join the party which goes on to New Zealand, and will spend two or three months in and about Christchurch. Sir Ernest Rutherford was a former student of Canterbury College and Lady Rutherford was also a Christchurch girl, the daughter of Mrs. Newton, well known in social work in that city.



CROMWELL, OTAGO, ONE OF THE OLD GOLDMINING TOWNSHIPS, SITUATED ON MOLYNEUX RIVER.

Miss Florence E. Mystrom, who has been resident in Auckland for some time, leaves by the *Makura* upon her return to Los Angeles.

Mr. S. A. Dalby, of Kingsland, together with his two daughters, leaves by the *Makura* on the 14th inst. for Honolulu and thence proceeds to Los Angeles.

Mrs. Kilgour, of Parnell, accompanied by Madame Meyart, of Milford, Takaruna, expects to leave Auckland by the *Niagara* on her next trip for a tour round the world.

Mr. and Mrs. Lugton and Mrs. Carswell, of Maraetai, Auckland, have taken a trip to the Waitomo Caves and the Wanganui River.

Mr. G. Schaeffer, a visitor from St. Louis, United States, who has been on a visit to Auckland, left the city last week for a tour of the Rotorua and Waireki thermal wonders and thence proceeds down the reaches of the Wanganui River.

Mr. R. Nightingale, of Melbourne, who has been on a business tour of the North Island, left last week (accompanied by Mr. J. Moore) on a pleasure trip to the Rotorua district.

sleeping accommodation upon the international Siberian route has been fully booked, and there will be no sleepers available from Vladivostok to Moscow up to the end of July; a fact which shows the large increase in the tourist traffic which now crosses the Siberian steppes in preference to proceeding to the older world by other routes.

Cromwell, a picture of which appears in this issue, is one of the romantic old digging townships of Otago's early days. It lies on the junction of the Molyneux and Kawarau Rivers, and besides being the centre of an agricultural district, still continues the chase of the golden lure by dredging the rivers. These old digging townships date back to the wildest and most romantic days of New Zealand history. Here came the brave and the strong, from the four corners of the earth, and here were enacted life stories beside which the tales of fiction fade into nothingness. Now gentle agriculture has laid her hand on the turmoil, and the townships lie at the foot of their bare hills, dreaming in the dawn of glories long since departed.

We are advised that steamers for London in March and April next are practically full by many lines in the

The Auckland Commercial Travellers and warehousemen's Association held its 15th annual re-union last week. The following officers were elected:—president, Mr. D. W. McLean; vice-presidents, Messrs. C. J. Phillips, A. J. Campbell, J. C. Burns, and A. Burt, jun.; trustees, Messrs. J. C. Macky and George Squirrell; hon. treasurer, Mr. J. F. Pullen; secretary, Mr. W. S. Cooper; auditor, Mr. E. B. Alexander; committee—warehousemen, Messrs. A. G. Cooke, A. D. Wilson, W. Forbes, E. F. Tapper (and another to be appointed by the committee); commercial travellers, Messrs. F. I. Gregory, William Boak, H. J. Clifton, T. N. Peek, L. B. Rogers, and C. E. Takle.

A South Canterbury angler, with a friend, recently visited Lake Lyndon, on the West Coast route, when between them the two rods accounted for thirty fish, the largest a seven-pounder. The average daily take was four or five, and the fish were not caught with "creepers," but with a large-sized fly, which generally was taken while below the surface. One method of angling in this lake is to fasten a creeper on the hook, next throw the bait out into the presumably shuddering water, and then read a book until something happens; surely a most placid pastime.

The Stratford Mountain Club has increased. Its members now number sixty after only a few weeks' existence.

Sir Hartmann Just, C.B., Assistant Under-Secretary for the Colonies, who is on his way to make a visit to Australasia, will reach Adelaide towards the end of next month. He will spend three months in Australia and three weeks in New Zealand. After leaving the Dominion, he will go by Fiji and Canada, reaching England again early in August.

Mr. S. J. Nathan, the retiring president of the Auckland Chamber of Commerce, who has gone to the Old Country, intends to spend two months in England, after which he proceeds to Paris to represent the Auckland Chamber at the Permanent Congress of Chambers of Commerce.

Mr. A. M. Myers, M.P., with his wife and family, have spent a week or two at Eastbourne. They remain in London until April, when they will leave for home by way of Canada, joining the Niagara at Vancouver on 13th May, and reaching Auckland about 2nd June.

The popularity of the Huddart-Parker steamer Riverina was attested by the passenger list upon her last trip. In the first saloon there were 150 people, while 55 travelled in the second saloon, and 80 in the third-class.

The South Canterbury teachers who left New Zealand for Canada were very hospitably received by the Educational authorities of Vancouver and Winnipeg. From news received by friends it would seem that the travellers received a somewhat unceremonious initiation into the mysteries of a Canadian winter. They were landed from the steamer at Vancouver into three feet of snow, and a pretty high degree of frost.

For some weeks past the members of the Manawatu Acclimatisation Society have been raiding the streams about Palmerston North for eels, which have played havoc with the trout and other fish. On a recent expedition was made to the Kahuterawa Stream, and 107 eels, the largest of which weighed about 12lbs, were secured. Altogether the Society has removed from this stream between 700 and 800 eels. Other streams have also been visited, and numbers of eels removed.

The bookings for the next three vessels of the Canadian-Australian Line, to leave New Zealand for Vancouver, are considerably above the number booked at the same time last year. The total number who have already secured accommodation for the next three sailings is over 300. Of this number 90 first, second, and third-class passengers have booked by the Makura, which leaves Auckland on March 14th for way ports and Vancouver. One hundred and fifty-five passengers in the three classes have booked throughout New Zealand by the liner Niagara, which sails on April 11. By the Marama, which is timed to sail from Auckland on May 8, over 60 passengers have already secured berths.

The three chamois from the Austrian Alps, which are now on their way to New Zealand, are the last that are likely to be obtained through the good offices of an Austrian naval officer who was a popular visitor to New Zealand a few years ago. Chamois are becoming very scarce, and the Royal gamekeepers were not at all pleased when they got instructions to catch a few for export to New Zealand. It invariably entails the destruction of a considerable number of animals to secure the number alive and well. One of the causes that have operated in reducing the numbers of chamois in Austria is the scab, which is at present very prevalent.

Mr. C. Barwell, of Auckland, who has been camping in his own tent every night and cooking his own meals, and formerly a well-known resident of Tamahere, has already covered over 2000 miles on his bicycle. He has been practically all over the Dominion. Leaving Auckland on January 8th, Mr. Barwell, with his machine fully equipped with tent, sleeping bag, and provisions, reached Wellington eight days later. Milford Sound, Otago, was reached on February 3rd. The return journey from Wellington, via Napier and Rotorua, is now being made, the cyclist speaking in glowing terms of the trip, although in places unbridged rivers and creeks and bad roads caused delays. Mr. Barwell is confident that he will reach Auckland again with his machine and equipment in perfect order.

A system has been instituted on Mount Egmont by which all the caretakers of the north and south houses are kept in touch with the movement of parties travelling between the two resorts. It is the duty of the custodian at one house to immediately notify the other, by means of the telephone, when a party has left his house for the other, or arrived from the other side. By this means the safe arrival of every party is assured, and in case of anyone being overdue search parties can at once be instituted. Climbers will welcome this innovation as reducing the risks of being forced to spend a night on the mountain, through losing their way or accident, to a minimum.

At the Commercial Travellers' and Warehousemen's Club Rooms, Dunedin, on February 21st a large number of country commercial travellers foregathered to say farewell to three of their comrades who are leaving the road. Mr. R. Cairns (who is severing his connection with Messrs. Allen, Son, and McClure), R. Crawford (who has represented Sargood, Son, and Ewen on the south section for the past five years), Mr. Crawford is going Home to the Old Land to see his aged parents, and Mr. S. V. White, who has represented Sargood, Son, and Ewen's boot department for the past nine years, is also severing his connection with that firm. Suitable speeches were made and wishes for the success of the guests in their new positions expressed and an enjoyable gathering dispersed.

Approval is given by the Victorian Premier to the linking up of the tourist and immigration services of countries about the Pacific, as suggested by Mr. Alexander Hume Ford, editor of "The Mid-Pacific Magazine." The Premier stated recently that Mr. Ford, with whom he had conferred, recommended that the tourist business should be established independently of the Railway Department, and extended in scope, after the New South Wales system. He also intended to confer with Mr. Percy Hunter, the head of combined immigration offices in London, who had established the New South Wales business before he first went to London, with a view of submitting the whole ques-

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only spend money in this country, but would extend the interest in Australia, which would have a beneficial effect on the work of immigration.

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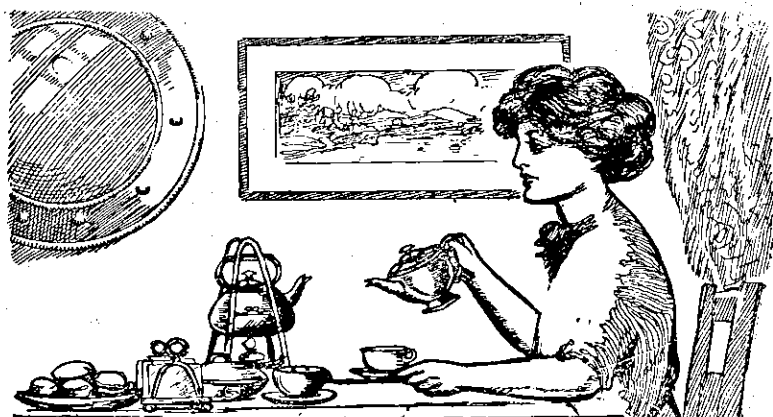
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TOURIST AND TRAVELLER.

(Continued.)

Writing from Arabia, a German traveller says that Arabian women, if they are to be regarded as really beautiful, must be able to show that they possess various colours and features in fours (says the "Daily Mail"). Thus skin, hands, teeth, and the white of the eye must all be really white. Other "fours" are:—Black: Hair, eyebrows, eyelashes, and the centre of the eye. Red: Cheeks, lips, tongue, and gums. Long: The back arms, fingers and legs. Round: The head, neck, wrist, and elbow. Small: Nose, eyebrows, lips, and fingers.

An angler says that the trout-fishing season in Otago and Southland has been very favourable. The Shag River appears to be recognised as one of the best haunts of good trout in splendid condition. Southland streams are also well spoken of, and it is reported that a small party who went south for their holidays caught in one stream 250 fine fish—a good haul for five days' angling.

A Mountain Club which has just been established at Stratford, in Taranaki, by Egmont worshippers and Nature-lovers, has for one of its chief objects the study and preservation of the flora and fauna of the fine forest which surrounds the "Father of Taranaki." The principal founder of the club, Mr. J. B. Richards, spoke at a meeting the other day of the great joy of gaining an insight into the native bush life and of locating particular trees, such as the giant ratas which are to be found in their glory on the lower slopes of Egmont. Districts like Taranaki are so eager, as a rule, to sweep the last vestiges of bush away that such organisations will come as salutary brakes to the too-swift agencies of forest and forest-life destruction.

Amongst the old London taverns there are forty-eight examples of the Crown, twenty-four of the Rising Sun, and twenty-two of the Globe. Among other titles, more or less curious, are the Alderman, the Bag of Nails, the Bird Cage, the Blind Beggar, the Catherine Wheel, the Cheshire Cheese, the Dewdrop, the Experienced Fowler, the Frying Pan, the Goat Boots, the Green Gate, the Hour Glass, the Knave of Clubs, the Man in the Moon, the North Pole, the Pewter Plater, the Plume of Feathers, the Rent Day, the Running Footman, the Ship Afloat, the Ship Aground, the Sun in Splendour, the Two Chairmen, and the World Turned Upside Down.

A beautiful specimen of the shining or bronze cuckoo was captured in a Palmerston North orchard. The little bird is one of Nature's marvels. Not only is it among the handsomest of the feathered tribe, having a lovely bronze-green back and grey-brown speckled breast, but it is one of the greatest travellers in the world. Naturalists differ as to the cuckoo's whereabouts in winter time, some considering that the bird goes as far north as Siberia, while others contend that it makes a temporary home in the Pacific Islands. At any rate the little tourist is a herald of summer in New Zealand, and usually makes its appearance some time in October. Unlike the swallow, which migrates in great flocks, the cuckoo appears to traverse its thousand-league ocean journey alone, or else only in company with a mate, for more than one specimen is rarely reported in one place, and the first indication of the bird's presence is a solitary but beautiful note.

The White Star liner Britannic, launched on February 26, is 887ft long, 94ft 6in wide, and will have a gross tonnage of over 50,000, being thus 5ft longer, 2ft broader, and about 4000 tons heavier than the Olympic. The most important new feature of the Britannic is a second or inner shell 3ft from the hull proper, extending over a length of about 700ft. This space has been made water-tight, and it is understood will be used for the carriage of oil. Internally the vessel will be a big advance on the Olympic, and will have about 300 bathrooms, one being attached to every stateroom. The Britannic will have triple screw with reciprocating and low-pressure turbines, and will cover the distance from Southampton to New York comfortably in a little over six days.

A curious phenomenon has been observed recently at Lake Rotorua. A strange commotion in the water was observed off Kaiwaha Point, and it was agreed that it was the work of an awhiowhi, or whirlwind. Spin-drift appeared in the clouds, and the troubling of the waters increased, while travelling at a good speed in an easterly direction. Eventually the connection between the water and the clouds became complete, and a genu-

Great interest, according to Mr. Bruce, of the New Zealand Agricultural Department, who has just returned from India, is felt in New Zealand by many of the wealthy class in that country who are desirous of retiring from business or administrative duties. He met dozens of Anglo-Indians who would be worth each from £100,000 to £200,000, who made extensive inquiries about these southern lands, with a view to settling in them. Mr. Bruce was able to extend a hearty invitation, and assured them that the Government Tourist Bureau would supply them with sufficient information to convince them that this would prove an ideal resting-place after the tropics. "But," he said, "I told them they would have to get over the habit of having native servants putting their boots on for them."

"Singapore," says Mr. Hintz, a former Timaru resident now returned from the East, where he held a good educational appointment, "is the most cosmopolitan place in the world. Thirty-six languages are spoken there and twelve dialects of Chinese. Seventy per cent. of the population are Chinese, and practically all the property in the city is owned by Chinese. Of a population of nearly half

ings indeed were cogent reasons for the selection of this site, and not less cogent were the grand and varied views of the surrounding regions that the site affords. Every window of the house affords a notable view. Northward and westward are ice-clad peaks and ridges. Northward and eastward one has the grass and scrub-mantled lower slopes and weird crumpling summits of the Mount Cook spur across the Hooker Valley, and the more distant Liebig range beyond the broad shingle-bed of the Tasman. Eastward one sees at close range the sheer base and rounded shoulder (ice-shaped long ago) and the bare and rugged summit of Mt. Sebastopol, and to the left a glimpse far down the Tasman Valley towards Lake Pukaki, with a broad billow of down lands on the Braemar side. On the south side, close at hand, beautiful and endlessly interesting in its variety, is the complex of shrub and tree and smaller vegetation, rock bluff and ravine, that the steep side of the Sealey range presents. As a site for a summer holiday resort, for its own beauty, and the magnificence and variety of its outlook, that of the new Hermitage at Governor's Bush would surely be hard to excel. And the new Hermitage is not unworthy of it.

A Wanganui lady, who is at present travelling on the Continent, met with another well-known New Zealand visitor while in Rome, Mother Mary Aubert, and with her as cicerone saw many interesting things. "In Italy," says the writer, "English is spoken a good deal, and French also to a great extent. It gives the visitor a bit of a shock when making an enquiry in stammering French to be answered in excellent English. We have had a laugh occasionally, but are getting very cautious now, and generally enquire of our fellow travellers in the train, 'Speak English or Parlez Francais?' Yesterday we were labouring with a driver, explaining he must be at our hotel at 'une heure et un demi,' and bring 'un autre voiture et en bon cocher.' He replied, 'Yes, mum, I will be there immediately after lunch, with another reliable driver.' Mother Aubert told us a good story apropos of this. At a crowded reception at the Vatican she was sitting quietly in a corner. In front of her came a very stout man with two ladies. One of the latter said in English, 'I wonder what this old dame is thinking of us all.' 'I don't know what she is thinking of,' said the second lady, 'but I do know she has looked enough at us for her eyes to drop out.' The man turned and said, 'I would very much like to know what you are thinking about it all.' Mother Aubert said with a smile, 'Well, if you really would like so much to know, it is that you are so very big I cannot see through you.' Imagine the collapse."



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ine waterspout was formed. The flexibility of the column of waters was clearly demonstrated. Sometimes it was curved, then it straightened and lengthened itself, being followed by a waxing and waning, with an almost constant billowy motion. At times it appeared as if the waterspout was composed of a number of slender and distinct columns, each one of which was gyrating on its own basis. The sight was awe inspiring.

A long-suffering traveller on a single-track railway ventured to complain to the guard of the exasperating unpunctuality of the service. The guard remonstrated in virtuous indignation. "I've been on this line now upwards of eight years—" he began. "Have you, indeed?" interrupted the other sympathetically. "At what station did you get in?" The guard did not pursue the subject.

Rome's venerable Apian Way, with its countless associations of a magnificent past, will now be disfigured by the desecrating rails of a modern tramway. In the interior of the city streets are being torn up and ancient squares sacrificed to projected enlargements. This road, the oldest and most famous of Roman roads, was begun in 312 B.C., and is from 14 to 18 feet wide, paved with large stone blocks.

a million there are only about 5000 Europeans. The Chinese have a marvellous faculty for accumulating cash, and more than others there they have benefited by the rubber boom. They were shrewd enough to buy wisely, and to sell well. But they are not at all scrupulous. They will "take down" their best friend when it comes to cash. The word of a Chinaman in the East is by no means as good as his bond. As an example of their shrewdness, I may mention that a Chinaman will buy goods on three months' bills, re-sell them for spot cash at less than he had agreed to pay for them, and so obtain money to make another deal out of which he will rely on getting a profit and enough cash to meet his three months' bills when they become due!

The new Hermitage at Mount Cook will probably surprise nearly everyone who visits and inspects it. The setting of the new house is both beautiful and grand; beautiful in its immediate environment; grand when one takes in the steep and high-piled range, its upper regions scarred with deep ravines, in whose narrow clefts small streams make frequent cascades. The surrounding shrubbery and the bush will be a great source of pleasure to visitors, when the projected walks among them have been formed. These immediate surround-



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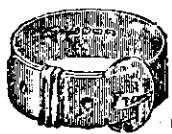
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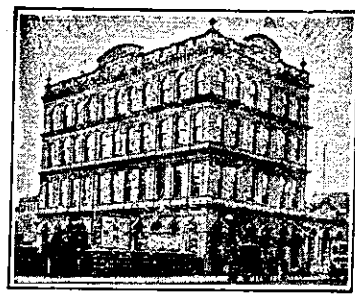
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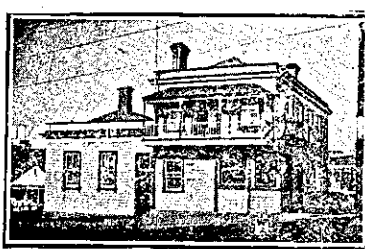


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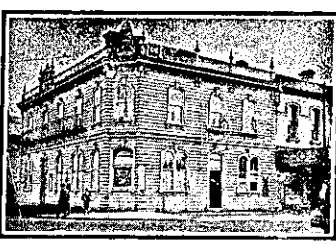
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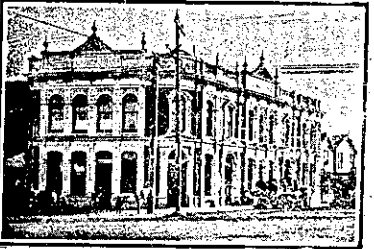
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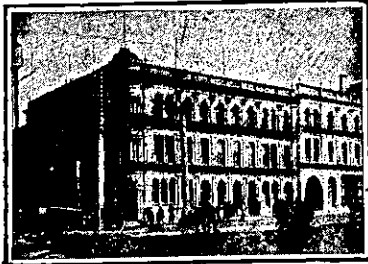
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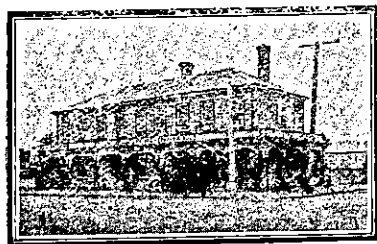
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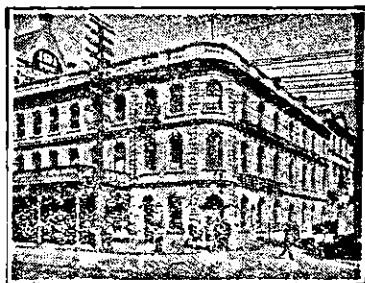
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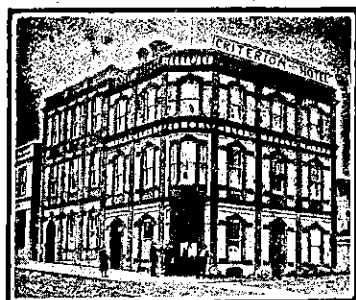


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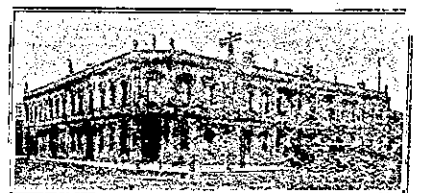
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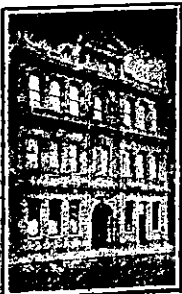
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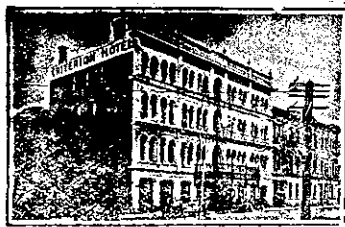
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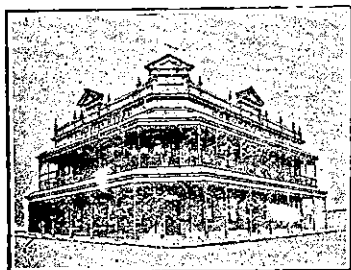
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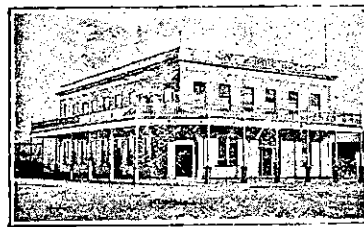
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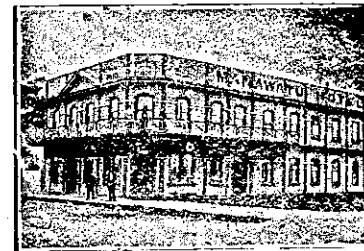


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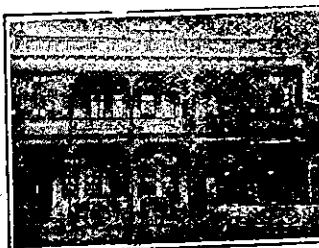
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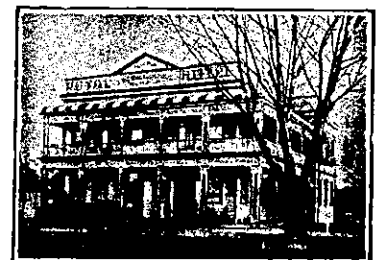
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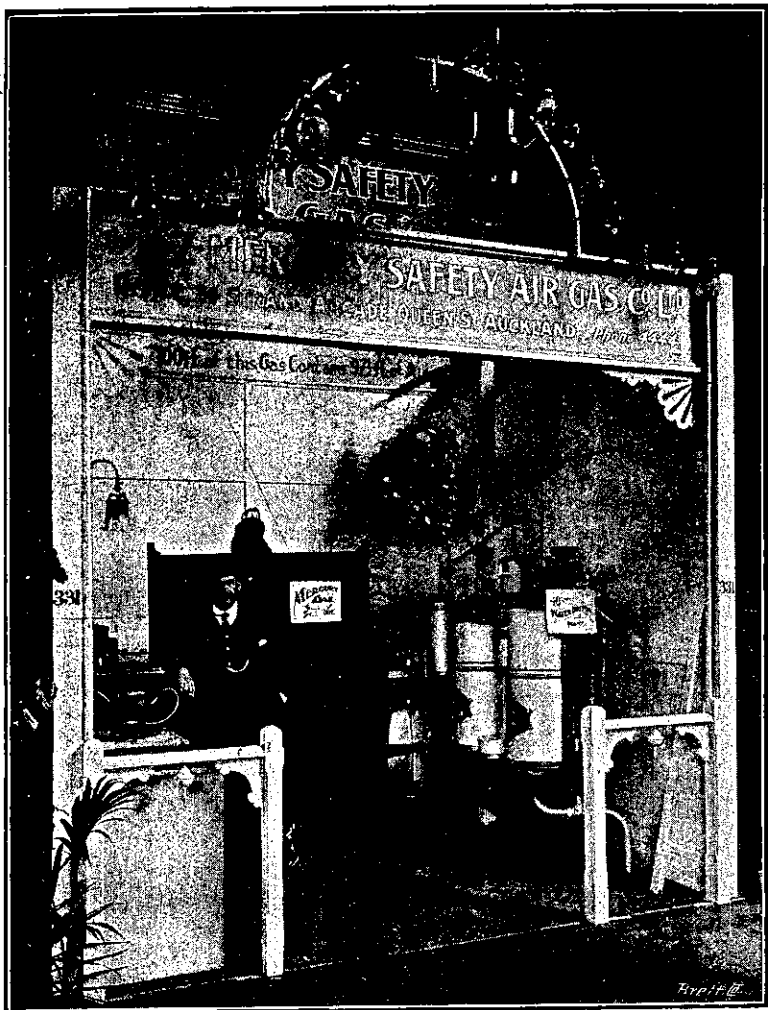
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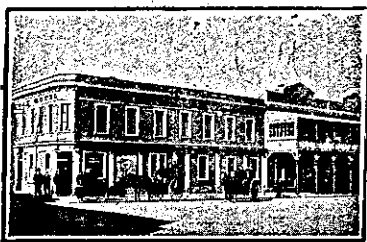


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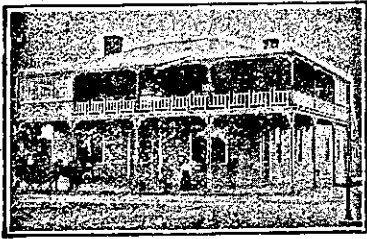
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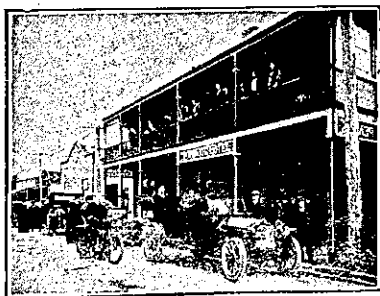
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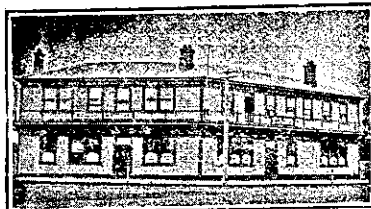
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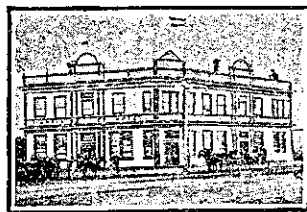
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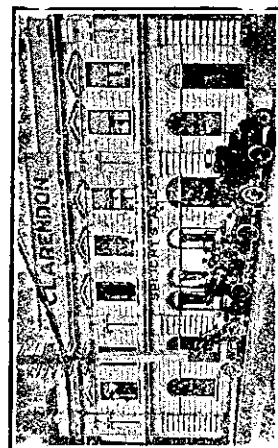
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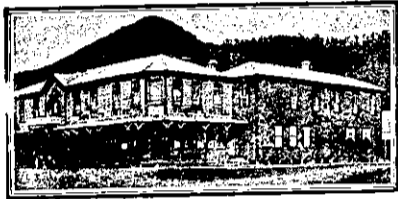
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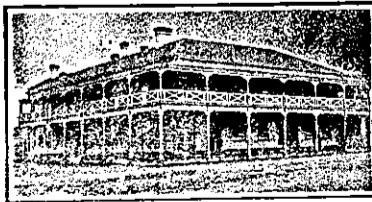
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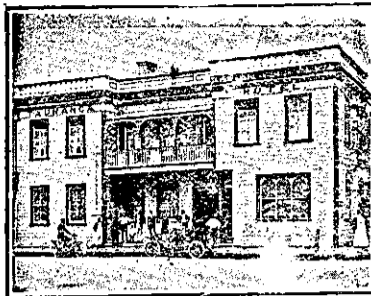
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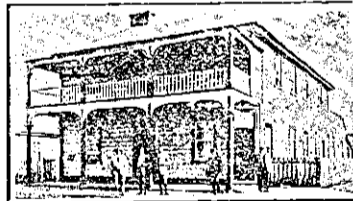
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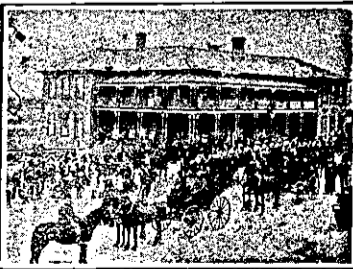


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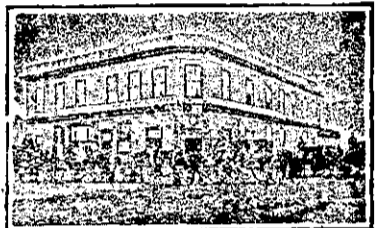
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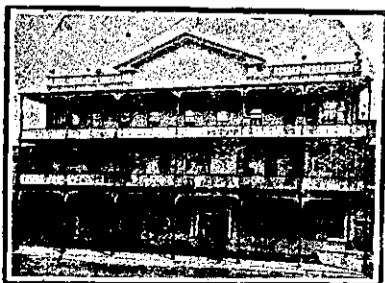
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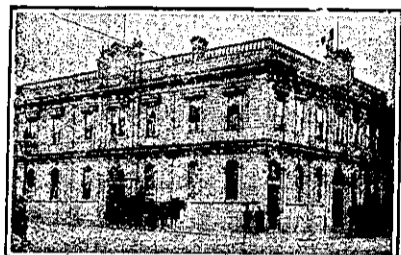
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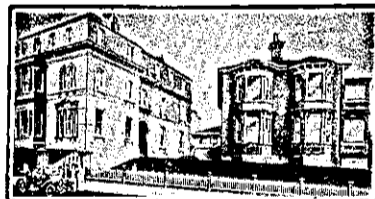
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