

RACING REVIEWED.

AUCKLAND RACING CLUB.

SUMMER MEETING.

NOTES ON THE RACING.

SECOND DAY.

GOLDSIZE WINS SUMMER CUP.

The Auckland Racing Club's summer meeting was continued on Tuesday of last week in fine weather. There was again a fine attendance, and the large sum of £51,134 10s. was passed through the totalisators, as against £45,003 last year, the increase being £6131 10s. Results appeared in our last issue.

The North Shore-owned mare Loloma ran fully up to her best track form when she chased Bonny Rigg home in the Bowen Handicap. The winner scored somewhat easily, giving her supporters back nearly 100 per cent. profit on their outlay. Christmas Rose was well supported, but ran very poorly after her dead-heat with Salvia on the opening day. She cannot carry weight too well, and S.10 seemed to smother her.

THIRD DAY.

MARSHAL McDONALD ANNEXES RACING CLUB HANDICAP.

REPUTATION SCORES IN DERBY.

New Year's Day was a record one at Ellerslie in several ways, the attendance being excellent, while the totalisator investments exceeded the sum handled on Boxing Day by £1111. The racing was of a most keen character, large fields being productive of some highly exciting finishes. With the weather all that could be desired and the track in splendid order the success of the afternoon's racing was assured, for there was no lack of spirited betting, the quality of the fields being conducive to brisk speculation. The sum of £67,257 10s. was invested on the machine, as against £63,780 last year constituting a new record for the Dominion for one day's racing.

Despite his failure to run into a place in the Shortland Plate on the opening day Soultane was sent out favourite for the Ferguson Handicap, Belasco, Loloma and Fionnula being the heaviest backed of the other nine starters. Fionnula, who had the services of Emmerson caused consider-

able delay at the post, and when finally she disposed of her rider and galloped away in the opposite direction the field was released without her. Coleraine and Soultane had the best of the start, and the latter held command round the home turn, with Manukau in second position and Coleraine next. The favourite finished strongly, and had no difficulty in warding off a challenge from Coleraine, who lasted just long enough to beat the fast-finishing Belasco by a neck for second, the judge's verdict being a two lengths' victory for Soultane. Loloma was fourth and Centre fifth.

The New Year's Hurdle Race brought out six runners, Kilmeny being the only withdrawal. Hereford was installed a warm favourite, while the local jumpers Admiral Soult and Spalfish were most fancied of the others. Spalfish was early in the lead and carried the field along at a good pace, but came to grief five furlongs from home, through making a faulty jump. The son of Spalpeen appeared to have the race well in hand at time of falling, and it was ill-luck that he should have struck the third obstacle from home after jumping his hurdles in proficient style. Admiral Soult immediately took up the running, and was joined in the straight by Hereford, the pair contesting every inch of ground after clearing the last

hurdle, Admiral Soult beating the favourite by a neck, with Cloudy Dawn, who ran a good race, two lengths away third. Erindale broke a blood vessel early in the race and was pulled up. Mr. Angus Gordon, stipendiary steward, ordered an inquiry regarding the riding of Hereford, on whom Deerey had the mount, it being considered that the South-erner should not have suffered defeat. As the horse had been backed by his connections to win a goodly sum, Deerey being laid a fair amount by the owner for a win, the charge was dismissed after a brief hearing.

Nine two-year-olds saddled up for the Midsummer Handicap, for which Sutala ruled a hot odds-on favourite, Housewife being the only other contestant to receive much backing. Mr. Greenwood's colt fully justified the confidence of his supporters, for he began smartly and won comfortably by a couple of lengths from Housewife, with the Hawke's Bay colt Marco Bello three-quarters of a length away third. Lightning was fourth.

The Great Northern Derby attracted five runners, Reputation, Balboa, Don Francisco, Bedford and Roumania being fancied in that order the first-named being a warm odds-on favourite, over five thousand pounds being

invested on his number. Bedford was quickest to begin, and he led the field past the stand, Don Francisco and Roumania lying next, with the favourite in fourth position. This order was maintained going out of the straight, but at the mile post Reputation made a forward move and was on terms with Bedford as the seven furlongs post was reached, while Balboa commenced to make up some of his leeway. The favourite was going great guns, and with half the distance covered looked a certain winner, though it was not until racing to the straight entrance that he went to the front, while Balboa was rushed up into second position. Reputation easily held the Hawke's Bay colt safe in the run to the judge's box, gaining an easy victory by three lengths amid vociferous cheering. Don Francisco was three lengths away third, Bedford fourth and Roumania last.

ant, and in a desperate finish the favourite won by a head from Bee, with King Lupin, who finished resolutely, a neck away third. Postillion, who got away at the tail end of the field and met with considerable interference four furlongs from home, was fourth, and Sauci fifth.

Ten went to the post for the Auckland Racing Club Handicap, in which La Reina ruled a strong favourite on the machine, Sir Knox also being solidly backed, while Sea Pink and Allegation were both in keen demand. Gloy piloted the field in the early stages, but four furlongs from home Jolie Fille displaced the son of Glute, with St. Elmn and Marshal McDonald both handy. Marshal McDonald led into the straight, with St. Elmn, Sea Pink and La Reina as his nearest attendants. Sea Pink threw out a strong challenge and appeared to have the disappointing son of Soult beaten, but Clarke called on Marshal McDonald for a final effort, and the pair raced past the judge's box locked together, the judge declaring the latter the winner by half a head from Sea Pink, with the unlucky La Reina a length away third. St. Elmn was fourth, and Allegation and Sir Knox next.

No less than twenty saddled up for the Maiden Handicap, Football being made a good favourite, with Camulus, Salvia and Makura best backed of the remainder. The race resulted in a surprise victory for Lady Penury, who won comfortably from Hadj by two and a-half lengths, with the favourite, Football, a length away, third.

Backers went solidly for Beldame in the Glasgow Handicap who carried more than double the money invested on the second choice, Hyettus, while Ujad's Hero, Patronale, Tinopal, Vocation and Castalia were the best supported of the other eleven runners. The favourite was caught in the tapes as the barrier lifted and her chances spoilt. Iliad's Hero led into the straight and looked all over a winner until Tinopal, finishing with a brilliant run, headed the Southern representative and gained a meritorious victory by two lengths, with Castalia a similar distance away third. Vocation was fourth and Hyettus fifth.

The results were:—

FERGUSON HANDICAP of 250sovs; second 35sovs, third 15sovs from the stake. Six furlongs.

- 1—Blue and Alexander's b g Soultane, 4yrs, by Soult—Lady Winnie, 8.8 (Deeley) 1
 - 7—J. Williamson's blk g Coleraine, aged, 7.5 (Conquest) 2
 - 2—J. Monk's ch g Belasco, 4yrs, 9.0 (P. E. Jones) 3
- Also started: 8 Achilleses 8.13 (Tapp), 3 Loloma 8.3 (Buchanan), 6 Munster 8.2 (McMillan), 9 Lady Middleton 7.5 (C. Brown), 4 Fionnuala 7.4 (Emerson), 5 Centre 7.3 (Ludlow), 10 Manukau 7.1 (Morris).

Won easily by a couple of lengths, a neck between second and third. Time, 1min 15sec.

NEW YEAR'S HURDLE RACE of 350 sovs; second 70sovs, third 30sovs out of stake. Two miles.

- 3—Tooman and McHugh's br g Admiral Soult, aged, by Soult—Pausy, 12.2 (Flynn) 1
 - 1—Richmond and Struthers' br g Hereford, 5yrs, 11.0 (Deerey) 2
 - 4—C. Theed's ch g Cloudy Dawn, 6yrs, 10.1 (McFlynn) 3
- Also started: 2 Spalfish 12.7 (Tutch-en), 5 Coronade 9.6 (O'Connell), 6 Erindale 9.0 (Conway).

Won by a neck, four lengths between second and third. Time, 3min 48sec.

MIDSUMMER HANDICAP of 350sovs; second 70sovs, third 30sovs out of stake. Five furlongs.

- 1—G. D. Greenwood's b c Sutala, 2yrs, by Elysian—Lady Hester, 9.3 (Emerson) 1
 - 2—Ernest Alison's br f Housewife, 2yrs, 8.5 (Conquest) 2
 - 5—T. H. Lowry's blk c Marco Bello, 2yrs, 7.2 (Clarke) 3
- Also started: 6 Analogue 8.1 (Brown), 3 King's Courier 7.6 (Buchanan), 8 Hero 6.11 (McDonald), 4 Lightning 6.11 (Robinson), 6 Mountain Dream 6.11 (Reid), 9 Torotoro 6.11 (Mullins).

Won by two lengths, three-quarters



LADOGA (A. Reed), piloting the field past the post the first time in the Manawatu Cup (1½ miles).

Punters got a real shock when they saw Merry Roe take their odds-on fancy Warstep off her legs in the Islington Plate, and stay the mile out in the good time of 1min. 39sec. Mr. Hall's mare fairly slipped the field, and the interference by Prince Soult with Balboa did not help that colt's chance. Mullingar was unfortunately placed hors de combat early through breaking a blood vessel.

Kitty Bellairs ran up to her best track traditions when she skipped away from 15 opponents in the Visitors' Handicap and gave nothing a chance to dispute her claims, registering 1min. for the five furlongs, a record for the track. Hymettus ran well, and so did Postillion and Downham, the last-named pair finishing fast.

Spalfish jumped too brilliantly and fast for Kilmeny and Fashion Plate and the rest of the field in the Ponsoyby Hurdle Handicap, and had a comfortable win.

Goldsizer, who is probably one of the best track horses in the Dominion, performed up to his track showing by running home a nice winner in the Summer Cup in 2min. 7 1/5sec. Prior to the race Goldsizer ran seven furlongs outside three trestles in 1min. 31sec. equal to a mile in 1min. 43 3/5sec. over the same track. His backers got a good dividend. Hyettus and Allegation ran well, and Royal Irish, who did not seem himself, ran surprisingly well. Chortle finished fifth but disappointed his friends.

The Criterion Handicap served to show the Auckland-owned colt Arran in a most favourable light, the son of Marble Arch defeating his seven opponents in convincing style, the field including the Southern two-year-olds Wishful, Marco Bello, Snub and Freya.

Seventeen contested the Waitemata Handicap, Snapdragon being made a solid favourite, with Hadj and El Gallo next best backed. The latter won in good style by a couple of lengths from Makura, who had the services of J. Buchanan, while Kaween was third.

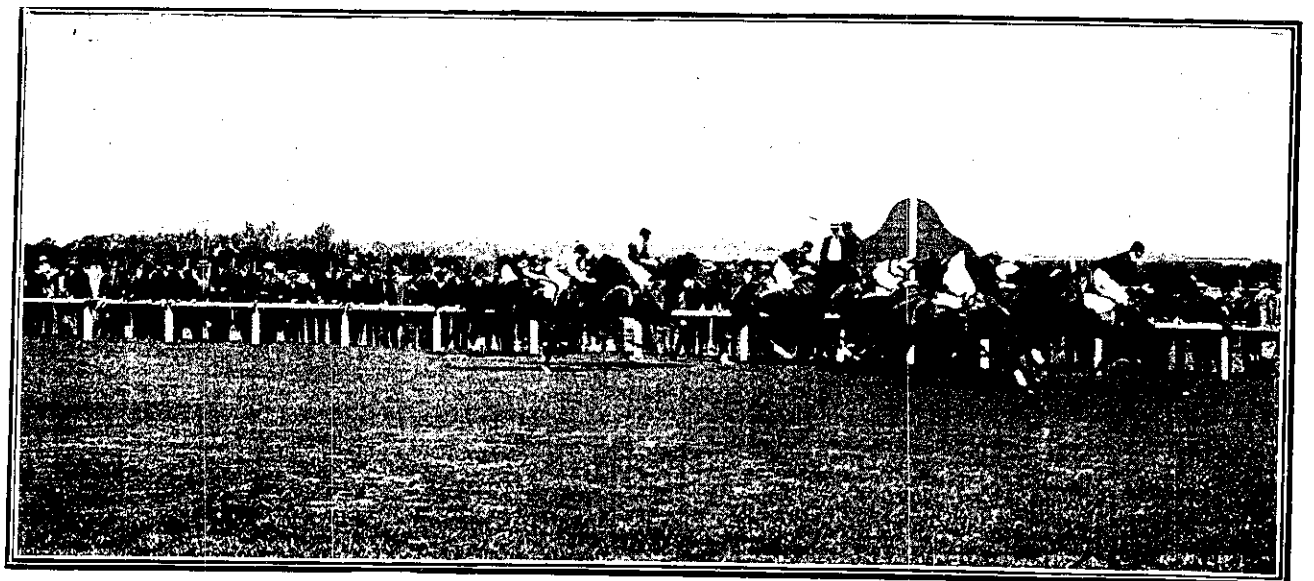
Beldame caused something of a surprise by winning the Salisbury Welter in decisive fashion from Iliad's Hero and Patronale, the daughter of Royal Fusilier staying the mile out in quite an unexpected manner after leading practically all the way, Iliad's Hero being the only horse to trouble her in the early stages.

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Bimeter, on his close third in the Railway Handicap, was selected as the most likely to score of the thirteen which saddled up for the Newmarket Handicap, Sauci, Postillion, King Lupin, Downham and Crown Pearl next best supported in the order named. Hymettus was first into the straight followed by Goldfire, with the favourite in third position. In the run to the post Bimeter headed the field, with Bee as his nearest attend-



THE FINISH OF THE MANAWATU CUP—KOOYA (H. Griffiths) winning from FAIR ROSAMOND (next rails) and KILRAIN (on outside).