

## LATER.

**Chokebore Pair for Manawatu Meeting—The Unruly Ngatiruanui—The South Canterbury J.C.'s Gathering—The Pole to be Taken to Sydney.**

Sir Geo. Clifford will be represented at the Manawatu Racing Club's meeting by Flying Start and Adjutant. The other members of the Chokebore Lodge team that raced at Wellington returned home on Saturday evening.

It is reported that the Dunedin Jockey Club has decided to refuse the nomination of Ngatiruanui for its winter meeting. This action has doubtless been taken in view of the horse's unruly habits at the barrier, where he has frequently caused a lot of trouble in the past. The son of Maniapoto has now been relegated to steeplechasing, where the barrier is usually dispensed with.

There were three double winners at the South Canterbury Jockey Club's meeting last week, Kim, Medley and Daytime. Each of them scored much more easily the second time than the first.

Only three of the six starters in the Tipperary Steeplechase at Timaru on Saturday completed the course without mishap. Golden Grape, the favourite, was going particularly well when he came to grief.

Only for the accident he sustained on the first day of the South Canterbury meeting, F. E. Jones would have had the mount on Warstep in the Trentham Gold Cup.

Specialform put up an attractive performance in the Autumn Handicap at the South Canterbury meeting, and her success was very popular.

On the night of the first day's racing at Timaru Ngatiruanui got tangled up in a wire fence, and was unable to start in the cross-country events on Saturday.

On the conclusion of the Hawke's Bay Jockey Club's meeting The Pole is to be sent across to Sydney, where his ex-stable companion Tim Doolan is now being trained.

During the Wellington meeting a North Island sportsman was anxious to secure Gowanbrae, the full-sister to Botanist and Briar Patch. A substantial sum was offered, but no business resulted.

## WANGANUI.

**Prospects of Candidates Racing at Awapuni—The Wanganui Jockey Club's Steeplechase Meeting—Sweet Van on Easy List—Dorando Standing up to his Work Well—Client's Consistent Form.**

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

WANGANUI, Monday.

W. Rayner is leaving for Awapuni to-morrow with Aruake, the gelding being engaged in the Hurdles at 11.2. He should run well, as he appears to have come on a lot since the Feilding meeting, but on the form shown there Sir Donald (11.13) looks to be very well in. In any case, the racing this week should do Aruake good, and by the time the Wanganui meeting comes round he ought to be at his best again if he goes on all right.

Rinaldo carried a lot of Wanganui money in the Autumn Handicap at Trentham on Saturday, but the best he could do was to run third. He was thought to be back to his best form again, but evidently he has not yet got back all his old brilliancy.

Sunbird (7.11) will be the hope of the Fordell stable in the big money at Awapuni on Wednesday, and on her Feilding Cup running she should be handy at the finish, though Rewi Poto (9.1) and Sir Alba (8.5) are likely to be hard to beat.

Considering the company he is meeting Leonta has been given plenty of weight in the Hawke's Bay Cup, in which he has 9.2. He certainly won comfortably at Feilding in the Cup, but he had nothing to beat. However, the son of Conqueror is in splendid fettle, and if he starts might trouble the best of them. One thing certain, if he is well placed when the straight is reached he will not be found wanting for brilliancy at the finish.

To-day week nominations for the Wanganui winter meeting are due. It is fully expected that the flat events will all fill well, and the hack hurdles also. The Century Hurdles is likely to attract a good entry list, including some of the best performers over the little sticks in the Dominion, also a number of others which promise to do well at the game. It is expected that Leonta will be nominated, though it is understood his owner is not anxious to race him over the hurdles. He will also probably figure in the Connolly Handi-

cap, and it will greatly depend on the weights allotted him as to which event he will start in. Of the younger division, Moutoa Girl, Monologue and Queen's Post are three that give promise of making good hurdlers. One that is sure to be well supported in this event is Rew, though there are many who doubt his ability to stay out the distance—two miles and a-quarter.

So far as the Steeplechase is concerned, it should fill fairly well, and amongst the starters will no doubt be two or three which will be seen out in the Great Northern, a couple of weeks later. Being the first steeplechase of the season of any importance, the big event here is invested with added interest, as it serves as a guide to the capabilities of such of the younger brigade which is seen out. It is said that there are several very promising jumpers being got ready for the Wanganui meeting, and these, with the old brigade, should make up a field well up to the usual high standard.

W. Rayner has turned the disappointing Sweet Van out. The Sweet Simon mare won the Stratford Cup, but since then has done no good, and is apparently not of much account. She may be taken up again later on. Another of Rayner's charges, Mahlstick, is also to be turned out. He went sore after the Wanganui meeting, and will not be raced again until next season, even if then. Prior to the Waverley meeting this gelding was galloping very well, and put up a very fast trial one morning, but has never raced up to it.

A. Jackson has nothing in work at present. After the Feilding meeting he sent Canella home, the form shown by the Alawa—Crucinella filly not

entered for the big money. Amongst those in the McRae Handicap is Sunbird, while she also figures in the Manaia Handicap on the second day, in which her stable mate Princess Moutoa is also engaged. Foeman is another which Tilley has engaged at the meeting.

## HAWKE'S BAY.

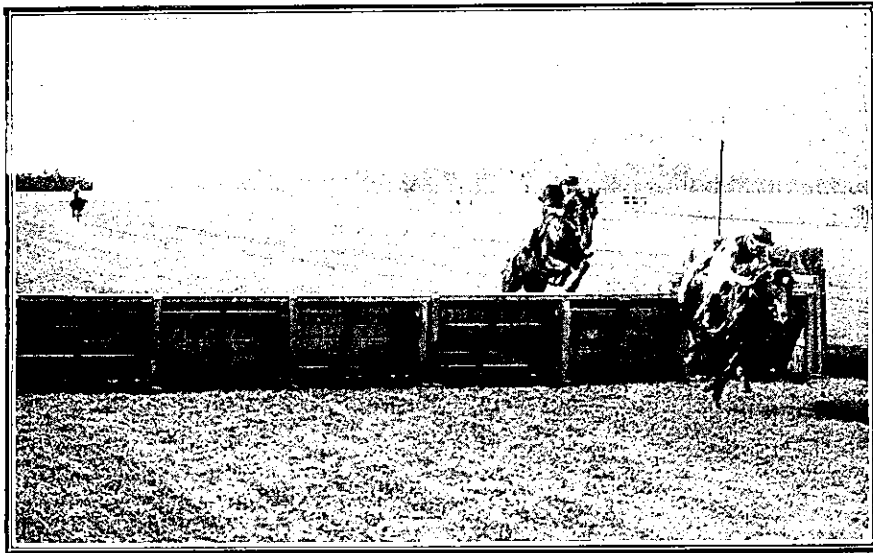
**Sensitive's Lepping Prospects—Kirby to be Given Another Chance to Earn Distinction—Latest Additions to G. Collelo's Team—Recent Arrivals at A. Neale's Training Establishment.**

(From Our Napier Correspondent.)

NAPIER, Monday.

Mr. A. Wood, the starter for the Canterbury Jockey Club, who also officiates for several other racing clubs in the North and South Islands, is shortly quitting this district to take up his permanent residence in Christchurch, as he considers that it will be a more central centre to work from. "Brusher," as he is called by his large circle of sporting friends, was reared in these parts, and this will mark the first occasion upon which he has been domiciled outside of the "Bay."

Sensitive, who pulled off the Hack Handicap at Waipukurau on Easter Monday, is going along satisfactorily in his track work on the trying-out trail at Napier Park. Sensitive, who is under the guidance of S. Lindsay, can jump fast and clean, and his future prospects at the lepping business wear a rosy tint. He comes from a jumping strain, for his dam is by Turquoise and numbers of that sire's progeny have proved their proficiency over the obstacles.



AGATHA GREEN (McSweeney), the winner, leading NITA (A. Ward), who finished second, over the last fence in the First Hack and Hunters' Steeplechase (2½ miles) on the opening day of the Wellington Racing Club's Autumn Meeting.

having been up to expectations. She may do better as a three-year-old.

The Field Battery gelding which W. Higgins had in work and which gave promise of making a decent jumper, has had to be turned out, having gone sore.

J. Peachey has only St. Gate in work, having sent Rurapai home. The former is looking very well, and if he keeps going all right should be at his best next month, when he will be raced at the Egmont and Wanganui meetings.

Dorando continues to make improvement, and is standing up to the solid work all right. He will be a starter in the Wanganui Steeplechase all going well, but whether the San Fran gelding will be quite back to his best form by that time is doubtful. However, he has only to keep sound to pick up a race or two for his owner, Mr. C. Gordon, during the winter.

Client looks like proving one of the best horses in Tilley's stable. He ran third in his first race at Masterton, won the Waiata Hack at Feilding, ran second on Wednesday at Trentham to Captain Glossop, and scored on Saturday in the Belmont Hack, when he carried 7.9 and ran the six furlongs in 1min 13 4-5sec. Thus in four starts he has registered two wins, a second and a third. Client is a three-year-old gelding by Elevation—Bonheur, and is owned by the gentleman who races as Mr. Wire Tokena.

Draft is in steady work, and is gradually improving under Rayner's care. He will not be raced again until the Wanganui meeting comes round, by which time the son of Maniapoto should be very fit.

The nominations received by the Egmont Racing Club for its winter meeting are fairly good, though it is disappointing to find only seven

Brodie, the younger full brother to Dunalastair, who won a number of races in New South Wales, is not being hurried along, but is being given plenty of time to develop his power, and it is anticipated that he will not be due to race until well on in the winter. He is owned by Mr. A. Sellars, who has had Admiral Beatty carrying his racing badge of late. Kirkby, who is also the property of Mr. Sellars, is to be given another chance to make good, and it must be admitted that his owner has got plenty of grit to go on with the disappointing full brother to Formby, who must be a long way in the rear on the debit side of the ledger.

G. Collelo, of Greenmeadows, has increased his band of students by the recent arrival of Anguish and Merriwai. The latter looks bright and big, but whether he will survive the trying-out process remains to be seen. When last in work he went amiss, but mayhap rest may have had the necessary effect of eradicating the trouble he then suffered from.

Campeador is back again at Greenmeadows, the half brother to Danube being now under the tuition of S. Lindsay.

This morning (Monday) Gold Foil and Birkful were railed through to Awapuni for the purpose of assisting at the autumn gathering of the Manawatu Racing Club. Birkful has of late been giving satisfactory demonstrations that he is an adept fencer, and with the pace that he is possessed of it looks as if he only had to run up to track form to be troublesome in the hurdle events this week at Awapuni. He will have the useful aid of J. Deerey in the saddle, and that certainly will be something in his favour. Since her victory at Waipukurau Gold Foil has gone on the right way, and she may be expected

to put up a good fight in her engagements at Awapuni.

J. Oldfield has received a couple of new students at his quarters. One is the hurdler Otatara, the other being a five-year-old son of Gold Reef and Etona. Both are the property of Mr. G. P. Donnelly, who also has Gold Foil and Goldshot in work under Oldfield's guidance.

Roderick, the two-year-old son of Multifid and Erin, is now being prepared by K. Quinlivan, of Hastings. Roderick, who was bred by Mr. C. J. Parker, of Gisborne, was presented by that sport to his son, Mr. J. C. Parker, who is one of the stewards of the Waipukurau Jockey Club.

Makara has arrived at Greenmeadows, where he has joined A. E. Neale's team. Another arrival at Neale's establishment is Prince Eddie, the son of Royal Fusilier and Ia, who is owned by Mr. H. E. Troutbeck.

Parsefiller, Perceler and Ramanuwhiri are leaving to-day (Monday) for Awapuni. The latter galloped in good style on Saturday morning in the preparing circuit at Napier Park, and her prospects must be favourably assessed at the Manawatu meeting this week. Parsefiller and Perceler are also well forward, and with the going in their favour are sure to be well up in their engagements.

T. H. Butler, who trains St. Omer and The Nile for Mr. W. Murray, of Wansted, has taken over Whetukura, an aged gelding by Papakura—Goldora. Whetukura was not at his best at Waipukurau, and then ran a decent race in the Maiden Plate there. On looks he should be able to fence, and if he is reserved for that portion of the industry he should more than pay his way.

Hymen, one of the Hymettus clan, bred by the Hon. J. D. Ormond, at Karamu, which horse early in the year was purchased by Mr. M. Johnson, of Hastings, has been leased by that sportsman to Messrs. A. A. Fraser and J. Lawry, the latter of whom trains the gelding.

The yearling half brother by Advance to Whakahoki has had the appellation of Lord Astolat bestowed upon him.

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