

GISBORNE.

Poverty Bay Trotting Club's Contribution to Patriotic Fund—Horses Change Hands After Recent Gisborne Meeting—Multiply's Winter Cup Engagement—Notes on the Gisborne Racing Club's Meeting.

(From our own Correspondent.)

GISBORNE, Saturday.

The Patriotic Fund will benefit to the extent of £150 through the efforts of the newly-formed Poverty Bay Trotting Club, this amount constituting the profits from their recent annual meeting.

Owing to the abandonment of the Wellington meeting Chortle does not leave here until the end of the month. The idea is to give the son of Multifid as much schooling as possible before he leaves, as from southern reports the tracks are not too good down there for schooling. This horse is very well at present, and should prove very hard to beat in whatever events his party elect to start him.

The following horses found new owners after the recent Gisborne steeplechase meeting:—Ruffiana (£210s.), Mr. Hassall, Hawke's Bay; Campeador (£200), Mr. H. de Latour, Gisborne; Ormoloid (£20), Mr. de Latour; half share of The Chef (£75) Mr. Holloway, of Gisborne; Heather Mixture, leased to Mr. L. Furr.

Multiply's mission to the Winter Cup, and with Deeley in the saddle he will be a hard proposition for the best of those engaged in the big flat events at the C.J.C. Grand National fixture.

The success of Fagot in both steeplechase events at the recent Gisborne steeplechasing meeting came

looked a winner three furlongs from home, and duly won comfortably from Ruapani, who was backed down to odds-on, and the former paid a very nice price.

Both Grey King and Player, ridden by W. Adams, met with fatal mishaps, the former breaking a bone in his fetlock joint, which necessitated his destruction, and the latter fracturing his leg and having also to be shot.

C. Sinclair, attached to F. Loomb's stable, was severely cautioned for his riding of Carburetter in the six furlong hack race on the opening day of the Gisborne meeting and was ordered to stand down for the balance of the meeting.

The friends of W. Olive were pleased to see him lead in a winner in Multione, by Multifid, after his long run of outs. Though a bit on the small side this colt should be very useful next season.

W. Quinton has had King of Athol placed into his hands to prepare for jumping events. This horse is very unreliable and cost his connections a mint of money by his past failures, after showing trials good enough to win any hack race.

The totalisator turnover at the Gisborne Racing Club's steeplechase meeting showed a decrease on last year's figures of close on £1600, and considering the class of horses that competed it is a wonder that it was not considerably larger.

Clontaff's breakdown was due to an over-reach when running in the V.R.C. Grand National Hurdle Race. A second and a-half was clipped off the previous best for that race.

rather hard, but showed decided cleverness in recovering himself.

Though First Glance has not been engaged in the New Zealand Cup, her trainer is keeping the Irish-bred mare up to the collar. This suggests that in future her efforts will be confined to short distance events, particularly the Stewards' Handicap.

Accommodation has been reserved at Riccarton for the National meeting for two of Mr. H. De Latour's team, over which F. E. Loomb presides in Gisborne.

All idea of converting White Cockade into a steeplechaser has been abandoned by his trainer. Finland's veteran son is a very safe jumper, but so deliberate in taking off as to leave him with little chance in a race.

The Chokebore-trained Nighwatch, who claims engagement in the New Zealand Cup, is slightly amiss, and has had to be eased up. The trouble is in one of his feet, but his trainer does not anticipate it turning out serious.

It has been definitely decided that Emperor will not be sent over to the A.J.C. spring meeting. He has just been put into work again by R. J. Mason, and will be nominated for the Stewards' Stakes and other short-distance events at the C.J.C. spring meeting.

Two Auckland visitors for the Grand National winner Rathfarnham and Lion D'Or, put in an appearance last week under G. Malcolm's charge. So far they have not been galloped at headquarters.

The old battler Sea King has been put into commission again after a lengthy spell. He looks fairly well, and F. Claridge has hopes of getting

MARTON JOCKEY CLUB.

SPRING MEETING.

(One Day), to be held on MARTON COURSE, Adjoining Marton Junction Railway Station. WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 1915.

PROGRAMME.

First Race Starts at 12 Noon.

1. HACK HURDLES, a handicap of 110 sovs second 15sovs, and third 5 sovs from the stake. Nom. 20s., acc. 30s. About 1½ miles, over six flights of batten hurdles, 3ft. 6in. high.
2. MAIDEN HACK PLATE of 100sovs, second 10sovs, third 5sovs from the stake. Weight-for-age. For horses that have never won a flat race of 25sovs or over at time of starting. Nom. 20s., acc. 20s. Seven furlongs.
3. RAILWAY HANDICAP (Open) of 160sovs, second 20sovs, third 10 sovs from the stake. Nom. 20s., acc. 40s. Six furlongs.
4. HUNT STEEPLECHASE, a handicap steeplechase for hunters only, of 75sovs second 10sovs, third 5sovs from the stake. Minimum 11.0. Nom. 20s., acc. 20s. About 3 miles.
5. MARTON HANDICAP (Open) of 230 sovs, second 20sovs, third 10sovs from the stake. Nom. 15ov. acc. 3sovs. One mile and a-quarter.
6. ELECTRIC HACK HANDICAP of 110 sovs, second 20sovs third 10sovs from the stake. Nom. 20s. acc. 30s. Six furlongs.
7. HACK STEEPLECHASE, a handicap of 140sovs, second 20sovs, third 10 sovs from the stake. Nom. 20s., acc. 40s. About 2½ miles.
8. TUTAENUI HACK WELTER, a handicap of 110sovs, second 10sovs, third 5sovs from the stake. Nom. 20s., acc. 30s. Minimum 8.0. One mile and 110 yards.

NOMINATIONS, WEIGHTS AND ACCEPTANCES.

NOMINATIONS all events (including Maiden Hack Plate) close at the Secretary's Office, Marton, FRIDAY, August 13, 1915, at 8.30 p.m.

WEIGHTS for First Day's Events will be declared on or about WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 18, 1915.

ACCEPTANCES all Events (including Maiden Hack Plate) close with the Secretary at the Office of the Club Marton, WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 25, 1915, at 8.30 p.m.

PENALTIES.

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

ARTHUR WAY, Secretary.

RANGITIKEI HUNT CLUB.

SECOND ANNUAL

HUNT STEEPLECHASE MEETING

(Totalisator Permit.)

To be held on

MARTON RACECOURSE

(Adjoining Marton Junction Railway Station),

ON THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 1915. Day Following Marton Spring Meeting.

PROGRAMME.

- First Race Starts at 12 o'clock.
1. HUNTERS' HURDLES of 60sovs; second 10sovs, third 5sovs out of the stake. Minimum 10.0. One and three-quarter miles, over seven flights of batten hurdles 3ft. 6in. high. Nom. 10s., acc. 20s.
 2. RANGITIKEI HACK HANDICAP of 70sovs; second 10sovs, third 5sovs out of the stake. Six furlongs. Nom. 20s., acc. 20s.
 3. RANGITIKEI HUNT CUP, for hunters only, of 55sovs, and silver cup value 20sovs, second 10sovs, third 5sovs out of the stake. Minimum 10.7. Distance about three miles. Nom. 20s., acc. 20s.
 4. HACK STEEPLECHASE of 100sovs, second 15sovs, third 5sovs out of the stake. Distance about two miles. Nom. 20s., acc. 20s.
 5. LADIES' BRACELET (Flat) for hunters only, of 55sovs, including bracelets; first horse 20sovs and bracelet value 20sovs, second 5sovs, and bracelet value 5sovs, third 5 sovs. Gentlemen riders. Minimum 11.0. Distance, 1¼ miles. Nom. 10s., acc. 20s.
 6. VIEW HALLOA STEEPLECHASE, for hunters only, of 55sovs and silver cup value 10sovs, second 10 sovs, third 5sovs out of the stake. Minimum 10.7. Distance, about two miles. Nom. 10s., acc. 20s.
 7. HACK WELTER, a handicap of 70 sovs, second 10sovs, third 5sovs out of the stake. Minimum 8.0. Distance seven furlongs. Nom. 20s., acc. 20s.

NOMINATIONS All Events close with the Secretary at his Office, High St., Marton, on FRIDAY, AUGUST 13, 1915, at 9 p.m.

WEIGHTS will be declared on or about WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 18.

ACCEPTANCES for all events close on WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 25, at 8.30 p.m.

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HEADQUARTERS STAFF IN EGYPT.—Members of General Sir John Maxwell's staff in Egypt. Left to right: Prince Alexander of Batterberg, the Marquis of Anglesey, and Captain Walford.

as a surprise to the majority of racegoers outside of the stable. Though he was schooling well his most ardent admirers did not expect him to beat such a proved steeplechaser as Golden Glow, and consequently those who pinned their faith to the son of San Remo received a good price each day.

The class of horses that competed at the recent meeting of the Gisborne Racing Club compared with past meetings was just about the limit. The running of the six furlong hack race on the first day resembled a Donnybrook on the opening of a "free hotel," as the finish was so mixed up that outside of the judge no one knew if it was a race or a wrestling match.

On the form he displayed at the recent Gisborne meeting the future does not appear very bright for Monorail as a hurdle proposition.

The Auckland Glucian is very ordinary on the form shown here. On the second day he was first out in the five furlongs maiden, and was last to finish.

Birkline raced very inconsistently throughout the meeting. On the first day he was favourite, and was never prominent at any stage of the Winter Oats (one mile and a-quarter). On the second day he started in the Waikanae Handicap (seven furlongs), won by Diavolo, and was unsighted throughout the race. In the Farewell Handicap (one mile), the concluding event of the afternoon, he

CANTERBURY.

Daylight Bill Pleases Over the Big Fences—First Glance's Future Efforts—Emperor in Work Again—Auckland Representatives Arrive at Riccarton—Interesting Schooling Work—Mr. G. L. Stead's Jumping Team in Australia.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

CHRISTCHURCH, Monday.

A spell of nice weather has been instrumental in putting the Riccarton tracks into first-class order. This has been greatly appreciated by trainers, who have been enabled to hurry their charges along on each working morning.

Since being recommissioned Daylight Bill has come on a lot, and a few mornings ago he jumped three of the big fences in his well-known style. In what promises to be a weak field he may give a good account of himself in the Grand National, though some of the shorter-distance cross-country events may be more to his liking.

Bonnie Bouche and Sartorze, both of whom have been off the scene for some weeks, have joined the active brigade at Riccarton with a view to being got ready for spring racing.

Thrax and Glenowl, two recent additions to the ranks of hurdlers at Riccarton, were responsible for a creditable school a few mornings ago. The former clouted some of the jumps

another race or two out of the veteran before he finally bids adieu to the turf.

An interesting piece of schooling work was witnessed at Riccarton a few mornings ago, the participants in which were Moddite, Art, Kilmeny and Master Hamilton. The firstnamed trio completed a round together over five hurdles, while Master Hamilton joined them when they had gone half way. Kilmeny carried the novices along at a good bat, and all of them acquitted themselves creditably. Moddite is on the improve, while Art is gaining confidence each time he is schooled.

Private advice has been received locally that The Pole won the Kensington Steeplechase on the second day of the V.R.C. meeting. Altogether Mr. Stead's trip to Flemington has turned out a fairly profitable one. His team of jumpers—Tim Doolan, The Pole and Plymouth—are to return to Riccarton soon after the conclusion of the V.R.C. meeting. The last-named was purchased in Melbourne by Mr. Stead with a view to carrying his colours in the Grand National Hurdle Race.

It is now generally accepted in local sporting circles that Chortle will not be put to hurdle racing, but will be given the opportunity of picking up a few more flat races before taking on the jumping business seriously. In the meantime Chortle has gone right out of favour for the National Hurdles, and Multiply has advanced to the position of second favourite.