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## WELLINGTON.

Taringamutu to be Treated to Short Spell—The Feilding J.C.'s Meeting—Sir Solo Galloping Well.

WELLINGTON, Monday.

Quite one of the most pleasing incidents of the C.J.C. meeting, just concluded, as far as Wellington was concerned, was the success of Sweet Tipperary in the Welcome Stakes. This filly, who is owned by Messrs. Dwan Bros., triumphed in a masterly manner, and defeated the best of the two-year-olds in the Dominion. In purchasing Sweet Tipperary as a yearling for 50 guineas, Mr. L. Dwan exhibited good judgment, and the excellent opinions formed of the youngster in previous issues of the "Review" by the writer were fully borne out.

Tangihou, whose pleasing essays on the training track brought him into considerable favour for the New Zealand Cup a few days prior to the race, duly succeeded in landing the stake. The chestnut son of St. Ambrose—Bivalve was formerly owned by the late Mr. J. R. McDonald, of Heatherlea (Levin), and it is only a little time back that the genial "Johnny," as he was familiarly called, offered Tangihou for sale for £100, but the offer fell on deaf ears. Upon the lamentable death of Mr. J. R. McDonald a few months back, Tangihou passed into the ownership of his son, Mr. L. G. McDonald, and the fortunes of racing have again been demonstrated by Mr. McDonald winning a New Zealand Cup in his first year as an owner. For years past Mr. L. G. McDonald has occupied a high position amongst gentleman riders, and it is hoped that the future has in store for him a successful career as an owner of racehorses.

The comparatively small dividend paid by Tangihou in the New Zealand Cup can be accounted for in the fact that the son of St. Ambrose—Bivalve put up a very attractive gallop the day prior to the Cup being run.

Taringamutu failed to run up to expectations at the C.J.C. meeting. The filly will be treated to a short spell from activity for a few weeks, when it is anticipated that she will be better fitted to withstand a solid preparation.

Parawanui broke a blood-vessel while contesting the Spring Hurdles on the first day at Riccarton, and was consequently unable to fulfil his remaining engagements. The gelding was brought home to Otaki, and provided nothing untoward occurs the gelding will be seen in action at Feilding.

With the conclusion of the C.J.C. meeting owners and trainers' attention is now being directed to the spring meeting of the Feilding Jockey Club, which takes place on November 30 and December 1st. This club has always occupied a high position amongst racing folk, and the nominations received are up to the high standard of previous years, and there is every prospect of the club having a very successful reunion. Mr. J. E. Henrys has framed a flattering impost for the first day's events, and there should be a liberal response from those people interested when acceptances close on Friday next.

Mr. A. McDonald, of Martinborough, owner of Montana, passed through Wellington on his way home from the C.J.C. meeting last Thursday. In a conversation, Mr. McDonald mentioned the fact that Montana could not act under a heavy scale of weights at Riccarton, and this accounted for the gelding's poor showing. Mr. McDonald, who has been a liberal contributor to the various Wairarapa patriotic funds, has enlisted, and there is every prospect of him joining his friend, Mr. H. M. Speed, of Makirikiri, in fighting for his King and country. By the way, Mr. Speed, who is an ardent sportsman, left for the seat of war with the Sixth Reinforcements.

Ringey is doing well under "Dick" Edwards' guidance at Feilding. This promising type of a galloper should soon be capturing some stake money.

J. Goodwin, at Hawera, has Avon Park fast getting into readiness for approaching events. Through her let up some little time back the mare has improved considerably, and she is now in rare form. She must be kept in mind for the Feilding meet-

ing, where she should make a bold showing.

In Ally and Manu the Otaki stable of N. Williams shelters a couple of horses that should bring some prestige to his establishment in the near future. Both gallopers are very fit, as is demonstrated by their try-outs on the local tracks.

Pursefiller has been freely nominated at Ashhurst, and it is just on the borders of probability that the descendant of Lethe—Golden View may be seen in action, when she can be depended upon to run well.

Mr. W. H. Bowden, of Otaki, was chaffed by some of his friends on his temerity in taking His Eminence and Hushabye to the C.J.C. meeting, as they thought the class was too select. The laugh must surely be on Mr. Bowden's side now, for His Eminence duly won the Epsom High-weight Handicap, which was worth 280sovs. to the winner, and, what is more, the gelding returned a nice price. Mr. Bowden is faring well in his training business, and his prospects for the future are distinctly reassuring.

Powder Fox and Improve, trained by F. J. Carmont at Levin, are showing some nice form on the local tracks. The pair are expected to show some brilliancy on their next appearance with the colours up.

mark, a fact which explains her appearance up amongst the leaders, in about fifth place, at the end of a furlong. The winner was the only animal in the race trained by an amateur (her owner), and she was turned out in great shape. The home-owned mare was not supported to any serious extent in Southland, the majority of punters preferring to follow the fortunes of Our Thorpe, although the news had trickled South that Country Belle had accomplished several work-outs above the average. Like several of Mr. W. Morland's best horses, Country Belle made her early racing bow in Southland, so she is therefore rather well-known in this corner of the Dominion.

The Winton Trotting Club have received very good entries for their first totalisator meeting on December 1st, and among the promised visitors are a number of horses from Otago proper, North Otago, and as far away as Canterbury. Several of the class races will suit the invader better than the home-trained performer, a statement which may be explained by pointing out that so far this season very few good horses have appeared on Southern tracks, unless Ilza and Quadroon, from W. N. Wilson's Gore stable, and Lady Rathsoon, from Riversdale, can be included as such.

was sold unbroken at the modest price of £6, and his then purchaser offered him to P. T. Hogan to school and train, but the local trainer thought him too small. Black Sea, who was assessed at 12.13 by the handicapper, was withdrawn from the race. The Brewer again disappointed his connections.

Heilcon (Finland—Peak), who was unlucky in running up against the Martian colt Dorian on the first day at Winton, won the Awarua Handicap (six furlongs) the following day, defeating a strong field.

The County Handicap at Winton went to Glensponse (Glenapp—Response), a gelding who has been racing very consistently, but without success, since the opening of the Southern season. He is trained by G. McLean, who at one time won many races with Hiro, Wild West and other horses.

The Winton Farewell was secured by Cortes, the half-brother to Obsone showing that he is gradually improving as a racehorse. He stayed out seven furlongs well. A strong favourite in All Ready disgraced himself by whipping round at the post and thus forfeiting his chance. Micky Free, who chased Cortes home, is easily the most unlucky animal now racing in Otago and Southland.

## CANTERBURY.

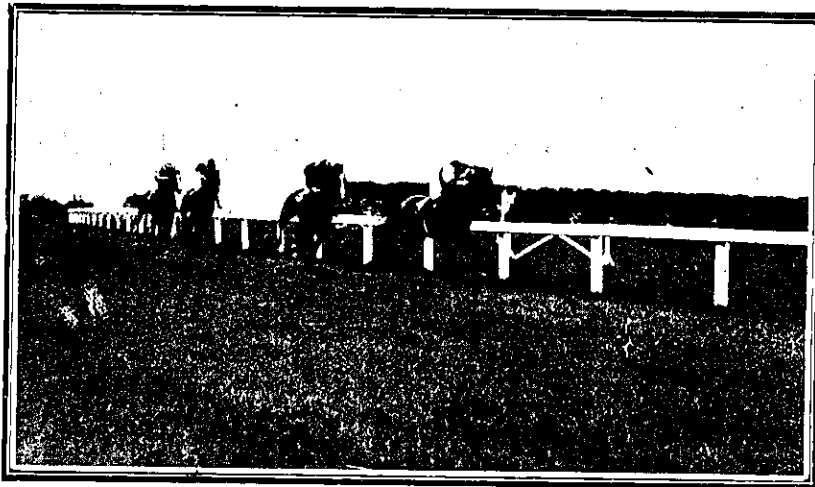
Form at C.J.C. Meeting Discussed—Warstep's Showing—Desert Gold's Record Performances—Eligible's Fine Achievement.

(By Telegraph—Own Correspondent.)

The recently-concluded meeting of the Canterbury Jockey Club will go down to history as one of the most successful ever held at Riccarton. There have been better fields seen out in the big handicap events, such as the Cup and Metropolitan Handicap, but any deficiency in class was quite made up for by the excellence of the racing. The two-year-olds included quite a number of smart juveniles, but the form shown was not conclusive enough to settle the question of early supremacy. Sweet Tipperary, Egypt, The Toff, Koesian, Nystad, Rockbound, and Killena can all gallop very fast, but the opinion still obtains that the present season's batch of two-year-olds, while a useful lot, does not contain anything much above the average. No doubt by the time the year closes their form will have changed considerably.

That smart filly Desert Gold stood out in a class of her own amongst the three-year-olds, and it is many a day since such a brilliant galloper has been seen at Riccarton. Second position can be awarded to Nones, whose owner must surely be tired of seeing his representative playing seconds to the Hawke's Bay filly. Evidently it is going to be a filly's year, for at present they quite surpass the colts, and there seems little chance of any of the latter making good as the season progresses.

Despite her rather disappointing showing in the New Zealand Cup, Warstep stood out as easily the best of the older horses. Her Canterbury Cup victory was a most decisive one, and though she could only get second place in the Stead Memorial Gold Cup there was a lot of merit asso-



WARSTEP (F. E. Jones), the winner, leading the field in the Canterbury Cup (2¼ miles).

In having the services of his nephew, C. Carmont, the Levin trainer F. J. Carmont undoubtedly has a good pull over many trainers for the present season. This lad is a capital horseman, with a sound knowledge of pace, and the writer predicts that with his services the Levin trainer will capture many races during the next few months.

Sir Solo continues to hit out in quite good style on the Opaki tracks. Provided the son of Sir Laddo makes a bold showing at Feilding then he will take his place in the Auckland Cup field.

J. Hathaway, at Awapuni, has Imarose well forward, and there is every indication of the gelding giving a creditable display at the Feilding meeting.

## SOUTHLAND.

Winton J.C.'s Successful Gathering—Country Belle's Trotting Cup Victory—Notes on the Winton Gathering.

INVERCARGILL, November 12.

From every point of view the Winton J.C.'s annual fixture was easily the most successful yet held by the inland club, the introduction of the ten-shilling totalisator in particular having a great deal to do with this result. During the two days the sum of £20,826 was passed through the machine, as against £17,900 last year.

The Southland representative in the New Zealand Trotting Cup, Win Soon, failed to distinguish herself, and the explanation is simple. Win Soon (Pringle) and Country Belle scored up to the mark together, when Pringle judged that he was going to leave before his bell and thus took a pull at last year's winner, the outcome being that Win Soon lost some valuable time. Meantime Country Belle held on her way, and was really travelling at high speed when she left the

It is stated that a large amount of money was placed on a Southern pacer for a recent engagement with the woolbrokers of Dunedin, Christchurch and elsewhere, and when the good thing duly eventuated there was joy in the land, but the rejoicings were somewhat short-lived, as it subsequently transpired that the "coupling rule" had been brought into force. The winner was coupled on the totalisator with a stable mate, and this enabled starting-price merchants to halve their liabilities.

On the second day at Winton Rorke's Drift followed up his Winton Cup victory by accounting for the Memorial Stakes (one mile), the principal event. The son of Calbre was made a very hot favourite, and despite an early bump and a somewhat rough passage, was first to reach the judge, with Quirinum close up. The Canterbury-owned gelding claimed several engagements on the two final days of the C.J.C. spring meeting, but so far as is known here at the time of writing did not undertake the trip.

The Stewards' Purse at Winton displayed Buller in winning vein, but the Canrobert—Tugela gelding had to be ridden hard to stall off Lion (Benzonian—Zemlia), who is a greatly-improved gelding trained by C. Christie at Wingatui. Lion is a good kind of a four-year-old, and will probably be heard of again at Southern summer meetings. Buller was not dressed in his best, but ran out the six furlongs well enough.

The second steeplechase at Winton was won by a little gelding called The Deuce, by Pallas—Cajolery mare, who gave a fine exhibition of jumping. The winner was ridden by J. Langford, who had the pleasure of defeating the favourite, Heatherlea, on whom his brother (Mr. A. Langford) had the mount. The Langford lads love steeplechasing for its own sake, and their successes are always popular. The Deuce some time back

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