

LATEST RACING NEWS

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WELLINGTON.

Mr. W. G. Stead's Team Depart for Australia—Mr. J. Blackwell Has a Promising Galloper—Conziska Schooling in Proficient Style—Byron to be Still Persevered With—Waimahaki, a Promising Hurdler—H. O. Barnett's Team at Levin.

WELLINGTON, Monday.

Provided Critic (Lethe—Waihora) does not score in the interim, this nice actioned steeplechaser may be seen in a favourable light at Riccarton on Saturday next. This bearer of Mr. C. F. Vallance's colours is a useful sort.

At a meeting of the stewards of the Wellington Racing Club, held on Friday last, additional licenses for the 1916-17 season were granted as follows:—Trainers: W. H. Bowden and W. Galbraith. Jockeys: G. Caddy, F. Coleman, and H. L. Pickett. Apprentice: W. J. Bowden. Gentleman riders: G. H. Main and A. Robinson.

Mr. T. F. Quinlivan, of "Shortlands," Hastings, left Wellington by the s.s. Moeraki for Sydney, taking with him a number of Mr. W. G. Stead's horses, who, if numbers count for anything, should assuredly uphold the prestige of Maoriland in racing events across the Tasman Sea. The list comprised Red Pennant, Shrill, Eligible, Sasinoff, Gold Painting, Sweet Corn and Cheloma. The horses are all well forward in racing condition, and their future doings will be awaited with interest by followers of the game in New Zealand.

Very satisfactory nominations have been received for the steeplechase meeting (one day) of the Dannevirke Racing Club, which takes place at Tamaki on the 23rd inst. Acceptances for all events and entries for the Trial Stakes, of five furlongs, close on Wednesday next at 8 p.m. with the secretary, Mr. R. Takle, Dannevirke.

T. F. Quinlivan, who left for Sydney on Thursday last, expects to return to the Dominion in time for the New Zealand Cup meeting in November.

Cheloma, who accompanied Mr. W. G. Stead's horses to Sydney, is a four-year-old filly bred in England, by Llangwym—Chelys, and is credited with being endowed with exceptional galloping ability. This bearer of the yellow jacket and black cap of the "Flaxmere" sportsman should prove her worth as a galloper in Australia.

Mr. J. Blackwell, a keen sporting enthusiast of Murton, has a capital type of a galloper in a three-year-old by Martello from Kowai, the latter being remembered as the dam of Blend, who ran well on many occasions. So well is Mr. Blackwell's horse doing that he anticipates nominating it for the Stewards' Handicap and some other races to be decided during the progress of the New Zealand Cup meeting in November next. With the horse named Mr. Blackwell makes no secret of the fact that he expects to fare well in some of the principal sprint events this season.

Trainer F. Watson, at Feilding, has Square Deal and Silenus fast getting into racing trim. The pair are expected to get amongst the winners very early in the present season.

At the conclusion of the Napier Park meeting Captain Mackay was again taken in hand by his owner, Mr. Carroll, at Taikorea, who prepared him for his C.J.C. engagements this week. Previously the gelding was one of J. Cameron's string at Feilding.

Hushman (Husbandman—Generosity), who created such a favourable impression last season, has wintered well, and will shortly be sent along in real earnest. The four-year-old is to be accorded a nomination for the Stewards' Handicap for which the gelding has many admirers amongst sporting folk in Taranaki.

Trainer M. Gardner, at Waverley, has his little team fast getting into racing trim. With his list, which includes Patronymic and Calais, "Mert" is under the impression that he will fare well during the present season.

Husbandman's stock are expected to gain some prominence in racing events during the present season. Several of the youngsters who claim the late Mr. J. Davidson's horse as their sire, show exceptional promise, and the future should reveal a number of them as smart performers. Several Taranaki sporting critics are quite loud in their praise of some of the youngsters' prospects.

Conziska continues to show exceptional brilliancy in his essays over the small sticks, and there is every indication that the Conqueror gelding will do Mr. W. Murray some yeoman service when it comes to hurdle racing.

Prince Delaware, owned by Mr. W. Smart, of Undecided and Shrapnel Shell fame, is doing well in his schooling lessons at Trentham under H. Kingan's guidance. The horse named can jump like a stag, and should prove useful between the flags.

In Janitor and Ohiwia the Dannevirke sportsman, Mr. H. Gaistord, will have two useful horses to carry his colours at the local meeting on the 23rd inst. Both gallopers are doing all right in their training operations.

Jean Laddo, who declined her C.J.C. engagements, will be seen out at Dannevirke. Owner-trainer S. W. Tatham is quite sanguine that the mare will prove more than useful during the present season.

Bandalero reads well in the Dannevirke Steeplechase with 9.13 opposite his name. This jumper is in excellent form at present, and should show up well in chasing events during the next few weeks.

jumps very clean, and must be dangerous in hurdling events during the present season.

Mr. H. Whitney's team for the Dannevirke meeting will probably consist of the much-raced Mount Victoria, Roumania and Rose Pink.

J. Ayers has Bairnsdale looking well to the eye at Trentham. Provided all goes well in the interim, this galloper will attempt to earn something towards its upkeep at the Dannevirke meeting.

H. O. Barnett is getting together quite a tidy team of horses at Levin, the list including Cron Park (who will be ridden by J. McLean at Riccarton on Saturday next), Mahlzetov, Lady Frisco, Lord Frisco, a colt by Advance from Perrier's dam, a filly by California from Marton's dam, and a mare by Lupin—Foulshot mare. Four of the horses are owned by Mr. E. Short, of "Parorangi," Feilding, who evidently intends to race on a more extensive scale than has hitherto been the case.

Mr. F. Roe, of Weraroa, who goes in for breeding on a small scale, has a couple of nice types of racehorses running out on his place. One is Gold Problem, a four-year-old gelding by

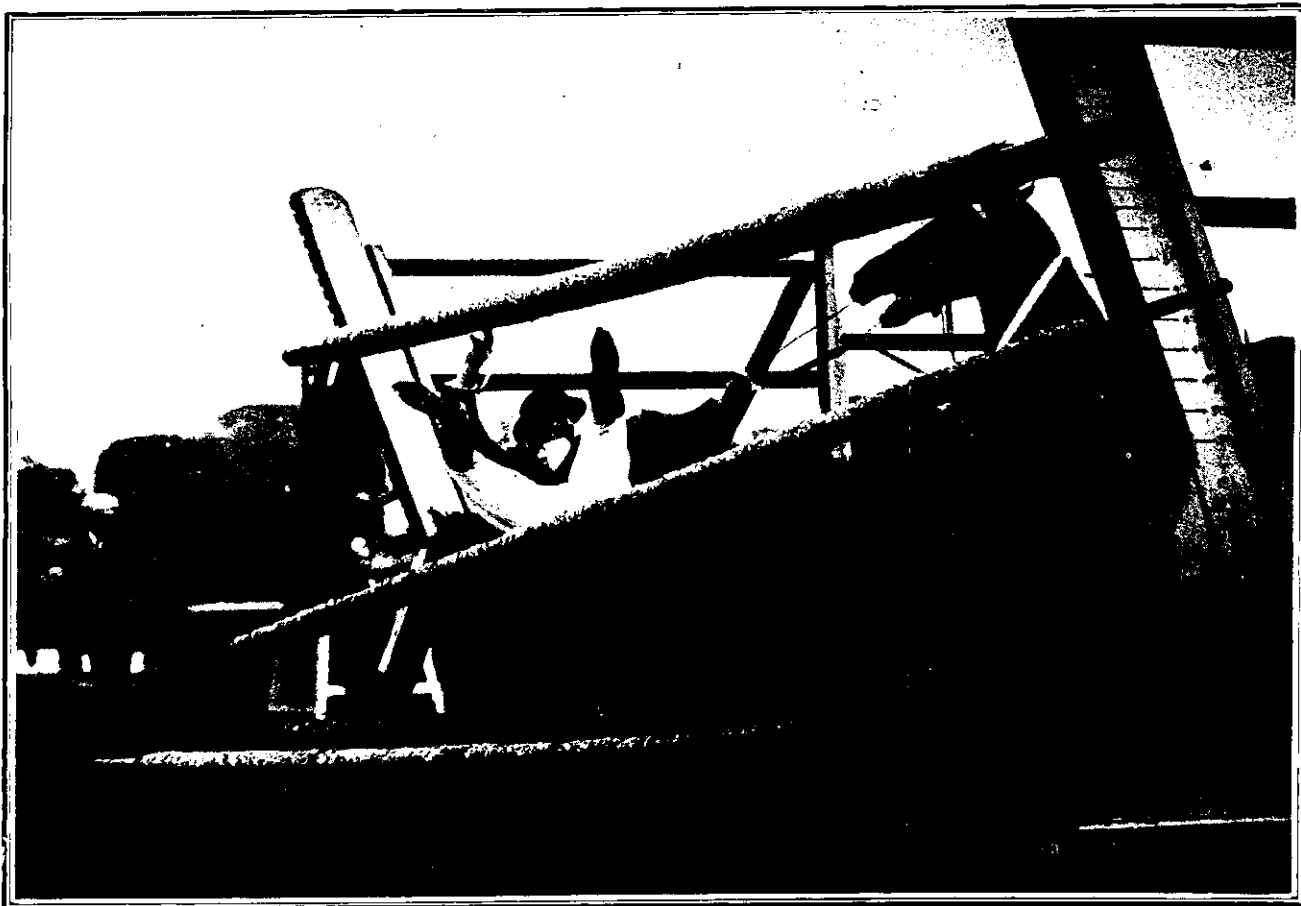
employers, Mr. Julids was presented with a gold sovereign purse suitably inscribed from his fellow employees, while Messrs. Myers and Co.'s recognition took the form of a substantial cheque, with many good wishes for the future.

SOUTHLAND.

Rorke's Drift Fourth on List of Winning Horses—Amateur Horseman Enters Trainers' Ranks—Trainer A. D. McIvor's Formidable String—C. J. Heywood's Team at Riccarton—Lake County J.C.'s New Lease of Life.

INVERCARGILL, August 11.

From a statistical point of view both Canrobert and Rorke's Drift have established Southland records for the season just closed. The stock of the Soutl—Hotcherina horse, in securing £3309 in stakes, set a southern sires' record, while Rorke's Drift, fourth on the list of winning horses, with £2530, shows the best total to date for a season by a horse trained in this district. The Calibre gelding won in the spring for Mr. J. C. N.



AN UNENVIABLE POSITION. OWING TO THE HORSE REFUSING TO NEGOTIATE THE HIGH JUMP THE RIDER IS COMPELLED TO TAKE IT ON HIS OWN, NOT, HOWEVER, AS ORIGINALLY CONTEMPLATED. THE INCIDENT OCCURRED AT THE RECENT RICHMOND HORSE SHOW IN ENGLAND.

W. G. Trask, at Woodville, has Mr. J. Mann's two horses, Mystified and Goldbearing, getting into condition for this season's racing. The pair, who may be seen out at Dannevirke, should be catching the judge's eye in the near future.

Mr. J. Harle, who undoubtedly must possess sanguineness in an extreme degree, has decided to keep Byron in training, and after the gelding's poor showings on many occasions last season his decision has certainly caused some surprise. "Jack" deserves better luck, but it is questionable whether Byron will prove the horse to do the trick. He has certainly proved a disappointment.

J. W. Scott has Rongora looking very well at present, and there is every likelihood of the galloper named being seen out at the Dannevirke meeting this month.

Trainer "Pat" Scally, at New Plymouth, has Royal Park fairly jumping out of his skin in readiness for spring racing. The galloper named must be kept in view for events to be decided in the near future.

Mr. H. Whitney's filly, Rose Pink, is moving along in an attractive manner on the Trentham tracks. This youngster gives promise of being seen under favourable auspices at race meetings to be decided during the next few weeks.

Waimahaki, owned by Mr. H. McManaway, of Bulls, is one of our most promising hurdlers. This galloper

Gold Crest from Probability (The Possible—Seraph), while the other is a three-year-old of the same sex by Sir Frisco from Probability. Both horses show some promise, and should prove decided acquisitions to the racing brigade.

Lady Mascot, the four-year-old mare by Zimmerman from Countess Cole, and consequently a half-sister to Lady Louisa, is furnishing into an ideal type, and should be heard of before many meetings have run their course.

F. J. Carmont, at Levin, has a chapely sort in a three-year-old by Sir Frisco—Falka (St. George—Melusina), who on present appearances shows a lot of quality.

A lad who gives every promise of developing into an exceptionally bright lightweight is H. B. Lawry, an apprentice attached to F. J. Carmont's stable at Levin. The boy, who can go to scale at 6st., is a capital exponent of the pigskin art, and critics are selecting him to gain some successes during the present season, which will be his first appearance on the race-courses.

A keen sporting enthusiast in Mr. G. M. Julius, who has helped to guide the destinies of Messrs. J. Myers and Co., merchants, of Wellington, for some years past, has joined the business of Harold W. Brown, Ltd., a firm who are making considerable headway in this country. Prior to severing his connection with his former

Grigg, prior to becoming the property of Messrs. F. and V. Price. Neuroma (£745), who followed Buller (£763) on the list, was bred by his owner, Dr. Rogers, of Gore, and this fact gave great pleasure to his sporting medico owner.

It is understood that the Tapanui R.C. have made an application to the Gore R.C. for the use of the latter's course on November 22 and 23 for racing purposes. The T.R.C.'s track, now undergoing improvements, will not be ready for use until next season. It is safe to say that a two days' fixture at Gore will greatly assist the finances of one of the oldest clubs in Otago.

An amateur horseman of years gone by, in Len Smith, has embarked on a new career as a public trainer in Invercargill. In his day Smith rode winners across the flat, over battens and between the flags, but for many years past has been following pursuits quite apart from the turf. At present he has the Calibre gelding Hardshot under his care, and within a few days is to receive a half-brother to the hurdle horse Peerless, the novice being a gelding son of Canrobert—Bouquet, by Hotchkiss—Bridal Wreath. The newcomer to the game was bred by Mr. F. Malcolm, of Haddon Bush, who also bred Peerless. The owner of Hardshot is also sending a young

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