

moved off with Ring Lupin, Hushman and Bedford next, and entering the straight Bluestone appeared to be headed by Ring Lupin and Hushman. Once well with heads for home, Bluestone drew away, and at the distance was well clear of Bedford and Lady Jack, and, sticking to his task, won from Bedford, who put in a good run, by a neck, Lady Jack being nearly three lengths away, third, just clear of Rockfield and Croesus, with Cardrona, Arran, Tact, Glenroy and Hushman just behind them. Bluestone was one of four grey geldings that competed during the day, Hima, Grey Lynn and Iceberg being the others.

The results were:—
MAIDEN STEEPLECHASE of 200sovs; second 40sovs, third 20sovs. About two miles and a-half.
4—Mr. Victor's ch g The Channel, aged, by Captain Webb—Sou'wester mare, 9.7 (Woods) 1
5—A. Box's b g Cokely, aged, 9.9 (S. Henderson) 2
1—J. T. Morton's ch g Ulster, 5yrs, 10.13 (E. Reid) 3
Also started: 2 Czaronus 11.0 (H. Manson), 3 Captain Lock 9.11 (Thompson), 6 Ka'whakahaere 9.7 (T. Scott), 8 Lady Whitford 9.7 (Erickson), 7 Dood 9.7 (McSeveney).
Won by half a length, six lengths between second and third. Captain Lock was fourth. Time, 5min 26 2-5sec.

JERVOIS HANDICAP of 200sovs; second 40sovs, third 20sovs. Seven furlongs.
3—J. Hawkins' ch g Flying Camp, 6yrs, by Campfire—La Milo, 9.6 (Stan. Reid) 1
1—G. D. Beatson's br g Parisian Diamond, 4yrs, 10.4 (Deeley) 2
2—R. J. Graham's b g Corregidor, 6yrs, 9.13 (Robinson) 3
Also started: 15 Sir Ralph 9.9 (R. Hatch), 15 Fidelio 9.6 (Carmont), 2 Fabriquee 9.6 (Buchanan) and Silvasco 8.2 (Rowe) coupled, 7 British Arch 9.9, inc. 4lb over (Sid. Reid) and Plenipotent 8.5 (McCurdy), 6 Cynic 9.2 (McMillan), 4 Monodol 8.13 (O'Shea), 18 Finisterre 8.9 (Thompson), 20 Bowler 8.9 (McRandall), 9 Pink Tie 8.7 (W. Young), 17 Independence 8.3 (Lambess), 10 Jocular 8.3 (Chaplin), 14 King of the Valley 8.3 (Cotton), 21 Pierrot 8.2 (W. Ryan), 20 Kiriwinning 8.0 (R. Manson), 13 Porphyry 8.0 (Lang), 12 Step 8.0 (Sinclair), 11 Dungannon 8.4, inc. 4lb over (Brady), 22 Blue Cross 8.0 (Ferguson), 5 Gin Sling 8.7, inc. 7lb over (Hewitt) and Stilts 8.0 (Conquest) coupled, 19 Blooming 8.0 (Henderson) and Kill Laval 8.0 (Barton) coupled.
Won by a length, five lengths between second and third. Cynic was fourth. Time, 1min 34sec.

MAIDEN HURDLES of 200sovs; second 40sovs, third 20sovs. One mile and three-quarters.
7—W. J. Ralph's b g Penniless, 5yrs, by Penury—Folly, 9.6 (E. Reid) 1
5—D. Twobill's br g Gluetanus, 6yrs, 9.0 (Stan. Reid) 2
2—W. C. Morgan's br m Ditto, 4yrs, 9.5 (Tapp) 3
Also started: 1 Hylans 11.10 (Bush), 3 Iceberg 10.5 (Deerey), 4 Paramahone 10.3 (A. Rae), 11 Brown Loch 9.12 (Turner), 10 Monathol 9.11 (Chaplin), 6 Prince Soult 9.11 (Kelly), 12 Hima 9.2 (Coleman), 8 Caber Feagh 9.0 (Woods), 9 Kinkora 9.0 (Anderton), 15 Joss 9.0 (Hastedt), 14 Pairere 9.0 (Poulgrain), 13 Wartime 9.0 (Warner).
Pairere fell. Won by ten lengths, a length and a-half between second and third. Caber Feagh was fourth. Time, 3min 30sec.

GREAT NORTHERN HURDLES of 1250sovs; second 250sovs, third 100sovs. Two miles and a-half.
8—Hon. J. D. Ormond's b g Gladful, 6yrs, by Birkenhead—Gladisla, 10.2 (Bush) 1
9—Cameron and Richmond's b g St. Elma, aged, 9.3, inc. 3lb over (Tutchen) 2
2—W. J. Brown's b g Te Onga, aged, 10.3 (Traill) 3
Also started: 3 Waimai 11.0 (E. Rae), 6 Tararu Jack 10.10 (Tapp), 11 Tenacious 10.5 (A. Rae), 5 Marconi 10.1 (Henderson), 10 Guiding Way 10.0 (Kelly), 1 Sir Solo 9.11 (McSeveney), 4 Fisher 9.8 (McDonald), 13 Thrace 9.2 (Chaplin), 12 Spalperion 9.2 (Anderton), 7 Cast Iron 9.4, inc. 4lb over (Redmond).
Fisher fell at the last fence. Tararu Jack also coming down. Gladful won by a head, Te Onga being ten lengths away third. Waimai was fourth and Guiding Way fifth. Time, 5min 2 2-5sec.

CORNWALL HANDICAP of 650sovs; second 100sovs, third 50sovs. One mile and a-quarter.
3—F. Dorset's ch m Red Ribbon, 4yrs, by Elevation—Blue Ribbon, 8.7 (P. Brady) 1
5—E. A. Lindsay's br g Uncle Ned, 3yrs, 8.0 (R. Manson) 2
8—W. J. Ralph's br g El Gallo, aged, 8.8 (Henderson) 3
Also started: 2 Toa Tere 10.11 (J. O'Shea), 1 Hopfield 9.12 (McMillan), 4 Lady Penury 9.2 (Hewitt), 7 Housewife 8.11 (Carmont), 9 Fionnuala 8.6 (Conquest), 10 Alf. Delaval 8.0 (Ryan), 6 Dancaster 8.0 (Sinclair).
Won easily by a length and a-half, three lengths between second and third. Hopfield was fourth. Time, 2min 17 3-5sec.

HUNT CLUB HURDLES of 200sovs; second 40sovs, third 20sovs. Two miles.
1—V. Holbecke's br g Tiniroto, 5yrs, by Glengowrie—Lady Bell, 11.5 (J. Roach) 1
6—J. W. Fitzpatrick's b g Dunrobin, aged, 11.0 (Anderton) 2
8—Green and Gavin's b g Jacaranda, 6yrs, 10.0 (McSeveney) 3
Also started: 5 Advancer 11.8 (Kelly), 2 Merry Dan 11.4 (Tutchen), 3 Spalspire 10.10 (Henderson), 9 Swastika 10.5 (L. Coleman), 11 Salva 11.5, inc. 14lb over (Mr. Cockerton), 4 Kingsford 10.5 (E. Rae), 12 King 10.5 (Poulgrain), 7 Tangihaere 10.0 (Warner), 10 Grey Lynn 10.0 (O'Connell).

Won by four lengths, 20 lengths between second and third. Tangihaere was fourth. Time, 4min 11sec.

MEMBERS' HANDICAP of 350sovs; second 70sovs, third 30sovs. Five furlongs.
1—A. B. Carley's gr g Bluestone, aged, by Bluelight—Flirt, 9.11 (J. O'Shea) 1
14—F. Marshall's ch g Bedford, 5yrs, 9.7 (Tapp) 2
8—P. Stenning's b f Lady Jack, 3yrs, 8.4 (Deeley) 3
Also started: 2 Croesus 10.13 (Hatch), 12 Hushman 9.13 (Stan. Reid), 7 Glenroy 9.10 (W. Young), 18 Avon Park 9.4 (Bush), 6 Ring Lupin 9.4 (Conquest), 3 Hyginas 9.1 (Hewitt), 17 Carlysian 8.13 (McDonald), 4 Cardrona 8.12 (Robinson), 5 Tact 8.11 (J. Brady), 19 Moltchikoff 8.10 (W. Ryan), 21 Te Papapa 8.9 (Sinclair), 10 Torotoro 8.8 (McRandall), 22 Kitty Bellairs 8.7 (Lambess), 20 Goldfire 8.4 (P. Brady), 16 Arran 8.4 (Rowe), 13 Blairfinde 8.4 (S. Henderson), 15 Rockfield 8.2 (Carmont), 9 Lady Paula 8.2 (Buchanan), 11 Lady Glen 8.0 (Chaplin), 23 All Talk 8.0 (Manson).
Won by a head, two lengths and a-half between second and third. Rockfield was fourth. Time, 1min 5sec.

SECOND DAY.

GLUEPOT WINS GREAT NORTHERN STEEPLECHASE.

PRINCE OF WALES HANDICAP WON BY BEDFORD.

The meeting was continued on Monday in good weather, though the morning opened dull and somewhat doubtful-looking. The courses, flat and steeplechasing, were both improved owing to no watery visitations during the Sunday interval, and again the fields were of good average proportions, a number of horses that had not raced on the opening day being in evidence. The attendance was large, the day, which was observed as His Majesty's Birthday, being a general holiday. It is estimated that the crowd that assembled was larger than on Saturday. The trams were again taxed to their utmost, notwithstanding that some thousands of those present made earlier starts than usual from the city. For quite two hours before the races commenced there was one continuous stream of people wending their way to the scene, to which all roads appeared to lead, and all kinds of vehicles were requisitioned for the work of bringing those who did not walk, motor conveyances doing the lion's share of the work. That speculation would be again good was soon manifest, and the totalisator workers were kept pretty busy from start to finish of the day, the sum of £53,475 being handled, as against £43,787 on the corresponding day of 1916, an increase of £9688 on the day, and of £6313 10s. on the two days, the investments for the two days amounting to £95,279.

The racing was again good, though much interest was lost in the chief jumping races through the falling of such horses as Tararu Jack and Crown Pearl in the Remuera Hurdles,

and of El Gallo, Waimai, Braeburn, Morecambe, Ranza Mist and Czaronus in the Great Northern Steeplechase; indeed, it was left for the presumed best of the 'chasers to fall, leaving six to finish the course without mistake. Three favourites won, one got beaten a head, and two were third. The starting, management, and catering generally left nothing wanting. Neither C. Scott nor F. Flynn were able to ride as a result of injuries, and after Traill's name had been hoisted on the board as the rider of El Gallo in the Great Northern Steeplechase, it had to be taken down again, as that rider had a heavy fall with Crown Pearl and was disabled, one of his collarbones being broken. The rider substituted was R. McSeveney, who in turn had a mishap, but neither he nor the other riders, E. Rae, J. Deerey, W. Bush, T. Scott, McDonald, and Tapp, were any the worse for their spills.

The scratching of Spalspire, Swastika and King left five runners for the Hunt Club Steeplechase, and Tiniroto had the hollowest of victories from Tangahaeri by three lengths, the pair leading alternately. Jackaranda was twenty lengths away, third, and Grey Lynn finished the course, about two hundred yards away. Advancer only got a short way on the trip, and was not persevered with beyond the first fence of the double. Tiniroto was not au fait at one or two of the obstacles, perhaps because he was being restrained, but he was favourite, and it was always considered only a matter of standing up for the son of Glengowrie, who is a fair sort, which fact he has several times amply demonstrated in the past.

Backers made B. Deeley's mount, Fidelio, a much better favourite than Sir Ralph (who was carrying the most poundage) in the Ranfurly Welter, Fabriquee, on the same mark with Fidelio, being third fancy. After this trio came Independence, Porphyry and Lady Energy, and then Slipstitch, who drew No. 1 position and was one of the five on the minimum mark. The Irish-bred filly Slipstitch is a four-year-old daughter of Henry the First, whose dam, Quickstitch, claims close relationship to Soult. She is one of the purchases made on behalf of Mr. H. De Latour by Sir James Carroll, M.P., during that gentleman's recent trip to the O'ld Land. Hewitt

handled her in good style, and in a finishing effort she worsted Independence, ridden by J. O'Shea, by half a length.

Hewitt met with a kindly reception from some of those present, this being the first time he had had to salute the judge at Ellerslie for many years. The performance of Slipstitch is not one to enthuse over so far as actual merit is concerned, as the field was a poor one, and the Irish lady was receiving 21lb. from Sir Ralph, who was close up third, and 2lb. from Independence, who she just beat, and had the advantage also of about six months in age from both. She may, however, improve more than any of those that ran, when properly acclimatised. Slipstitch is of medium size, and covers some ground. Fidelio (the favourite) was fourth, with Porphyry, Fabr'quette and Jocular next.

The Remuera Hurdle Race was the next on the list. Time after time it has failed to produce a good field numerically, and eight, under the circumstances, can be regarded as a good result, though, a bet, not big for a 400sov. stake. Bon Reve, who was favourite, certainly looked the best quality and most gentlemanly of the field, but Crown Pearl, who is not so seasoned, ran him close for shape and substance, and Hylans looked a good enough young horse to take his place in any jumping field, and he has the advantage of being a sound-legged one, whereas the pair named have understandings that have seen some wear, and show it unmistakably. The first-named wears boots to hide and protect his joints, but Crown Pearl's infirmities were fully disclosed, and only winter racing on soft courses will give him a proper chance. Te Onga looked sharpened up for his race in the Great Northern Hurdles, and had a change of riders, McDonald riding, while Traill was on Crown Pearl.

Marconi looked as if a race or two would do him good, and Tararu Jack, the second favourite, seemed no worse for his fall on the first day. Te Onga soon worked his way to the front, under pressure. Crown Pearl fell before going half a mile, and Tararu Jack raced near Te Onga for about six furlongs, when Marconi and Luperino went up. The last-named

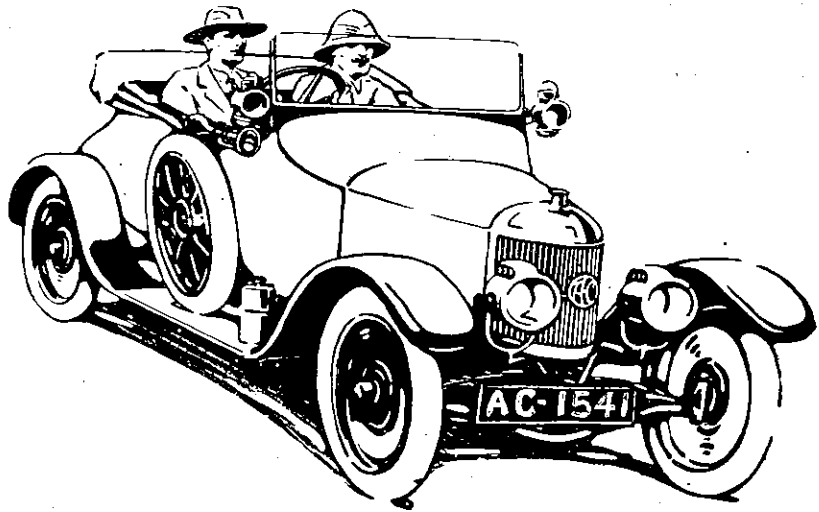
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