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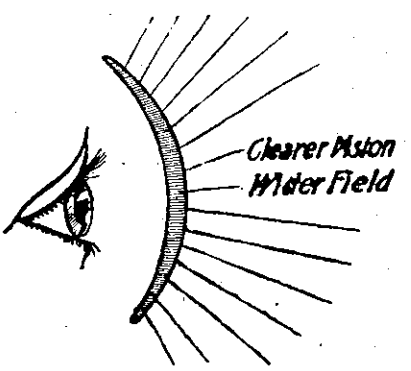
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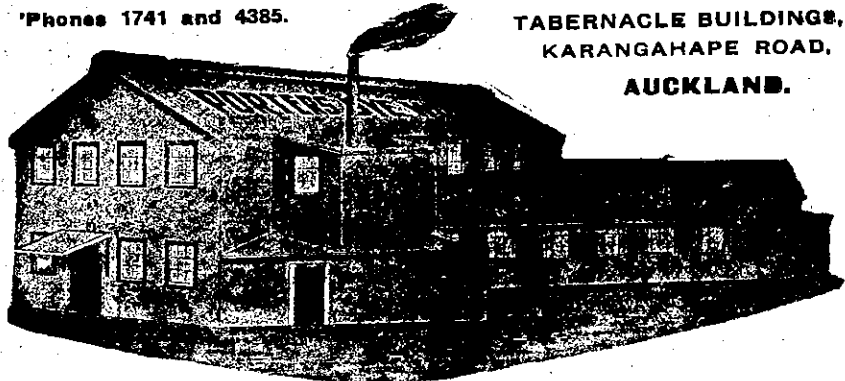
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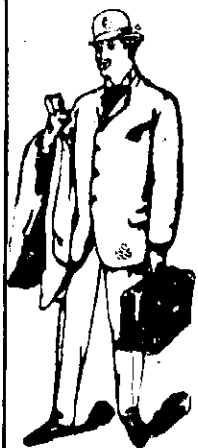
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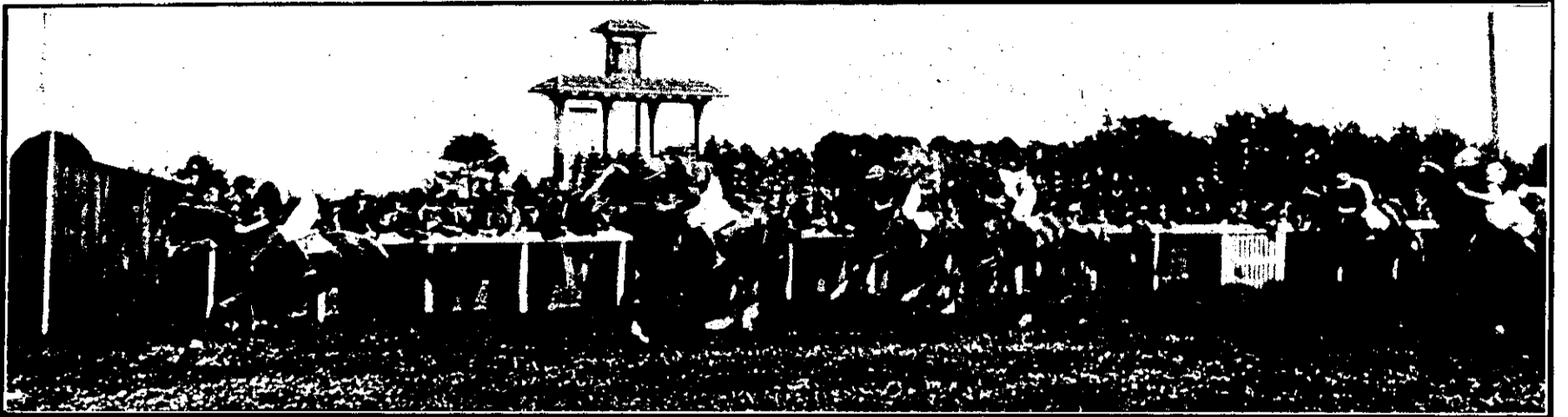
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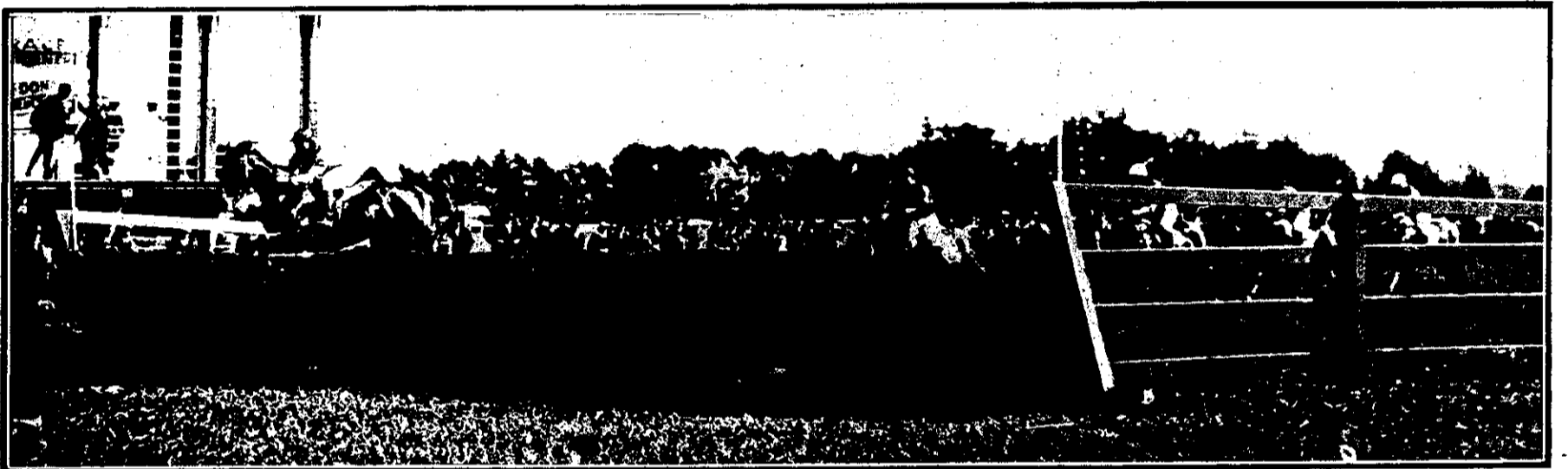
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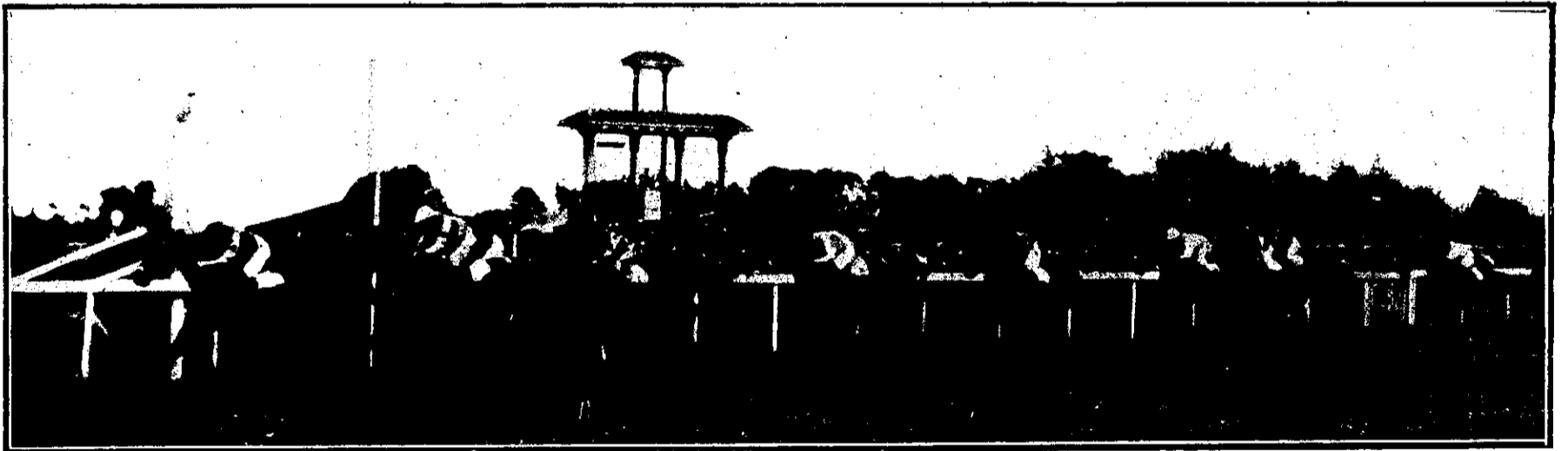
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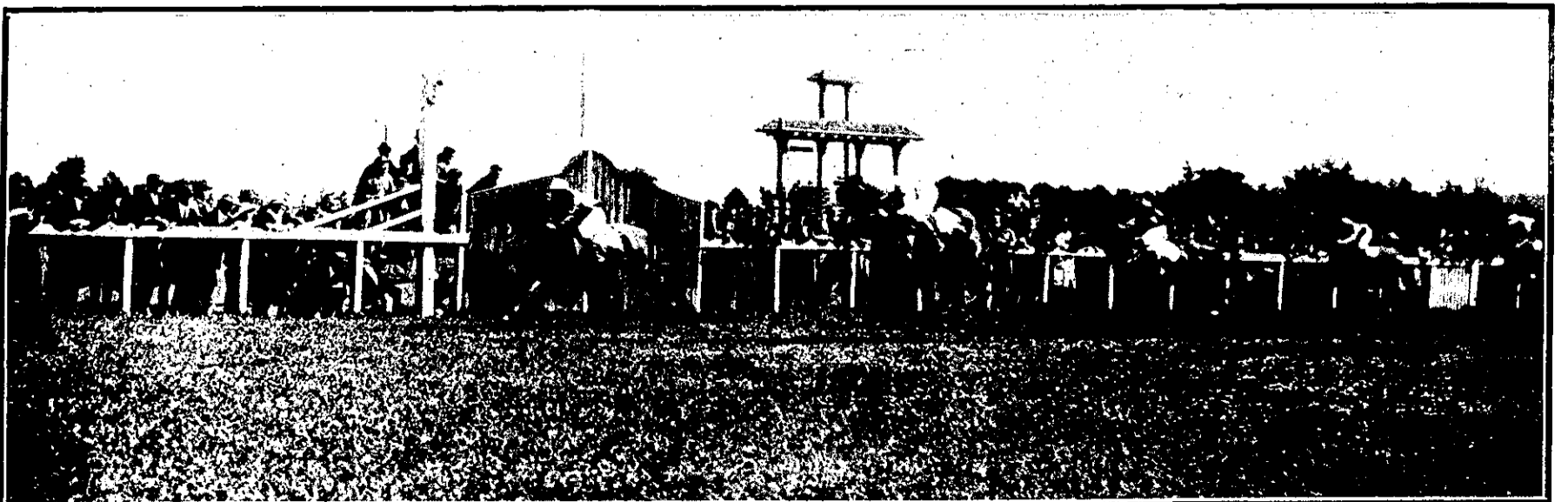
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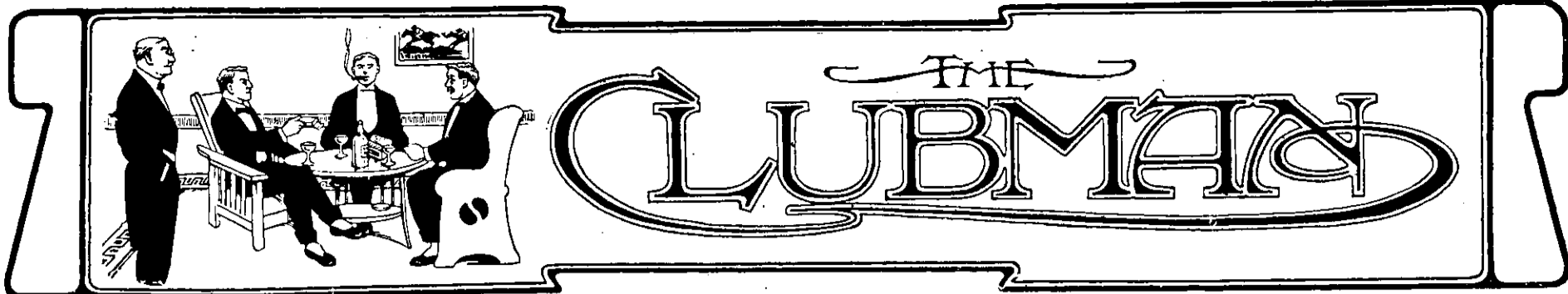
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THE FIELD PASSING THE POST THE FIRST TIME IN THE AVONDALE CUP (1½ MILES).—ELOCUTION (R. Manson) leading GAZIQUE, MULLINGAR (next rails), BLUE CROSS, GLENOPAL, SIR RALPH, FORM UP, TEKA, ALTERATION, SANACRE and COLONEL SOULT in the order named.



THE FINISH OF THE AVONDALE CUP.—MULLINGAR (WARNER) WINS FROM GAZIQUE (McFLINN), WITH SIR RALPH (McDONELL) THIRD.



An item of news from America is that of the performance of Roamer, a seven-year-old gelding who a few years ago was referred to in these columns through a brilliant achievement and who has since proved himself quite a master of weight and a veritable wonder for a small one, whose admirers class him as only of medium height. The particular achievement which has set the seal on his fame is not a weight-carrying one, however, but a record-smashing one. For just twenty-eight years the mile record was held by the Prince Charlie horse Salvador—sire, by the way, of Salvadan, who was imported to and died in Auckland. That horse got the distance in 1min. 35½sec., and the gelding Roamer has now come along and with the same weight lowered it to 1min. 34 4-5sec. Salvador's go was registered at Monmouth Park and that of Roamer, who is by Knight Errant, son of our own good Musket horse Trenton and the St. Simon mare St. Mildred, at Saratoga. St. Mildred, it may be remarked, never raced. Rose Tree II, dam of Roamer, like Knight Errant, was purchased in England and taken to America, but the latter was not given many chances at the stud. Rose Tree II, who was got by the Bend Or horse Bona Vista from the Minting mare Fanny Relph, went blind, and was only mated, so the story goes, with Knight Errant because the great Star Shoot, the other stallion in the stud, had gone blind like the mare, for which reason they were not mated. Roamer was not thought highly of as a foal, and was emasculated, but has won a lot of races and a good round sum in stakes, well over £18,000.

Winter racing in England is not to be permitted owing to the railway service being already fully taxed. Under the circumstances the edict from the military authorities will have to be accepted in the best possible spirit by sportsmen and owners. We do not have a very great deal of winter racing in New Zealand, but what we do have is usually of the enjoyable kind. Our winters in the Dominion, however, are mild compared with some experienced in the Old Land, and we should miss the meetings we have very much if we were deprived of them. We are fortunate in one respect—we can race all the year round when we are permitted to hold the meetings, and there need be no close season. If there are long intervals between meetings in some parts it is of the clubs' own making. If the people of New Zealand were told by the Government that we should not be allowed to hold race meetings for a period of six months in the year there would be a storm of protest, and some of the members of Parliament would be sure to be rejected at the first general election following any such interference with the chief outdoor pastime of the community. The reduction of days of racing, the second in a brief period of years, was submitted to only because of the exceptional change of the Empire's affairs brought about by the war. When it is over there will be a strenuous battle if opposition is offered to getting the lost days back, and that opposition will be offered by a section of members goes without saying. There are some members opposed to racing altogether. With them there is no half-way house, and one curtailment is only looked upon as a step further towards the next.

The temperance people are making another big fight to carry prohibition at the next election, or when a vote is taken on the question, and the weighty petitions that have gone in from their side as well as from the trade, each side having secured many hundreds of thousands of signatures, show that it will be no small battle. The heads of the National Cabinet have been confronted with these huge petitions, and are agreed that something must be done. They are to consider what that something will be. In the meantime racing is getting a rest, and the racing authorities are looking on quietly and without thought that their citadel may sooner

or later be again assailed. When the next election does come the racing people of the Dominion, who are a force now to be reckoned with if they will but marshal their full strength, should be prepared to deal with those aspiring to become members who will not say straight out that they favour and are prepared to vote for a reasonable amount of racing controlled by the racing and trotting associations of the Dominion. If they do this and work well together there may reasonably be expected to be no further restrictions placed upon the community, whose chief sport, racing, has been curtailed unreasonably much. The end of the war may come just as soon as some people are expecting it, and a lot of after-the-war problems will then have to be settled, and there is a mighty big pile of them.

pity he was not there to ride. When O'Shea got beaten in the Craven Plate on Desert Gold we were told that he made a mistake in leaving an opening for Cetigne, the winner. If he had kept to the rails we should perhaps have read that—but for the New Zealander shutting in that horse he would have won. We were told also that McLachlan said he could have been with Desert Gold at any stage of the race, and that Wolaroi, his mount, would have won but for a stumble. We were told also that had McLachlan been on Estland instead of the lightweight O'Connor, Estland would have won, and we were left to assume that if he had been on Desert Gold and someone else had been on Wolaroi he would have landed the New Zealand mare home all right. None of the papers have suggested that

Biplane was a puller. At the time Biplane was not wound up, and consequently was not so highly strung as when getting searching gallops. All the same, McLachlan's opinion was sought and duly appeared. If some people got the impression from this that Deeley did not manage the colt as well as McLachlan could do that would not be surprising. McLachlan is certainly about the best advertised horseman in the southern hemisphere. There are plenty of good men who never get the same chance to advertise themselves. Men who are fortunate enough to secure the pick of mounts and are seldom on bad ones have the luck of it. We have heard criticisms of some of McLachlan's efforts frequently—occasionally in the papers. He is said to have lost the Eclipse Stakes at the Caulfield meeting on Wolaroi through riding in anything but brilliant style, while Outlook's rider, the veteran R. Lewis, excelled himself. How McLachlan won on Estland from Prince Viridis in the Randwick Plate by a head, "after being left badly"; how he "came too late" and lost the V.R.C. Derby on Finmark on Saturday, when that colt finished third less than a length behind Eusebius and Outlook, who finished within a neck of each other, the cable now tells us, and there are at least a good many New Zealand punters who are to-day wishing that J. O'Shea had not been taken off the colt. There are also many who would have been quite satisfied had he been on Desert Gold in the Melbourne Stakes, though we do not suggest that he could have done any better on Mr. Lowry's good mare, on whose back he won more good races than any other horseman ever won on any other horse or mare in the colonies, than did young Bracken.

That Desert Gold ran right up to the best form she has ever shown over a mile and a-quarter when she was defeated on Saturday in the Melbourne Stakes by the imported horse Magpie admits of no doubt whatever. It was a record time performance for the course, and she had Wolaroi, who only just beat her at Randwick, behind her this time, as well as Estland, her stable companion. The gruelling race Estland had after being left in the Randwick Plate and working for the long-distance event (the Melbourne Cup) since, may have caused him to lose a bit of the brilliancy he showed in the Craven Plate, and then there is the probability that he was out for a gallop to help on his Melbourne Cup preparation. This colt's rider was not cabled, but he finished sixth in a field of nine.

If there had been any good ground to assume that the imported Magpie was only a miler at best, it was dispelled by his win in the Melbourne Stakes, to which reference has been made above. It would have pleased all New Zealand admirers of Desert Gold had she been able to win the race, and if it has been exasperating luck to just get beaten in the last little bit in her third race on Australian soil this spring, and each time by different horses, the lessons conveyed should not be lost upon oversanguine sportsmen who regarded her as an unbeatable weight-for-age proposition when she went to Australia in the autumn, and were more confident than ever when she left again on her spring campaign. The best get beaten. Desert Gold was still Queen of the Australasian turf when she finished second to Magpie, the first imported horse to beat her, but some of the "kings" have defeated her. First Poitrel, a four-year-old, then Cetigne and Wolaroi, her own age, and her four-year-old stable-mate Estland, and now the five-year-old English horse Magpie, and in each instance they had to beat records to defeat her. This shows that she never ran more brilliantly, and as she turned the tables on Wolaroi (who had two hard races in the interval in the Eclipse Stakes and Caulfield Cup) and Estland (who had a hard go in the Randwick Plate, two miles), and had five others behind her, it can be assumed that she has again greatly distinguished herself and has still all her wonderful vitality and ability.

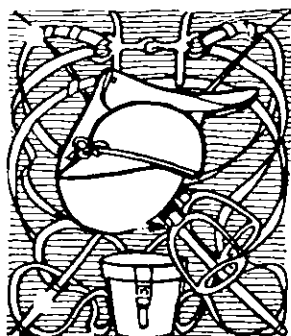


MR. JAMES MUIR, proprietor and editor of "The New Zealand Bowler," who has been a member of the Wellington Bowling Club for 14 years. He is also a member of the Wellington Bowling Centre, and an honorary member of the Otaki B.C. Mr. Muir's record reads as follows: (Lead) Champion Nomination Rink, Wellington Bowling Club; Champion of Champions, Wellington Bowling Centre, 1916-17; Champion Nomination Pairs, Wellington B.C., 1917-18.

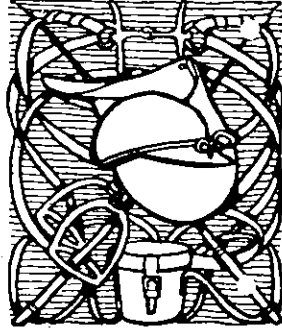
J. O'Shea, who has been known as a straight goer ever since he started race riding, did not like the idea of playing second fiddle to McLachlan in Australia, and so a termination of his engagement with Mr. T. H. Lowry was the result. O'Shea has won more races for Mr. Lowry than any other horseman has done, and it is understood that it was at his own wish that he did not go over to ride in Australia last autumn, when McLachlan got the riding on Desert Gold. New Zealand horsemen have not always received the credit due to them for their work in Australia, and sometimes opinions concerning their ability, as expressed by rivals—jealous rivals, often anxious to secure mounts for themselves—find their way into print. It was always understood that O'Shea was first horseman to Mr. Lowry. We should all like to see New Zealand boys associated with the successes of New Zealand horses. When McLachlan was defeated on Desert Gold in Australia last autumn New Zealand friends of Jack O'Shea were everywhere found declaring that it was a

Estland could have won with O'Shea up. That rider has a high opinion of Estland, and naturally he would have liked to have been on him in the Melbourne Cup. He rode that colt when he beat Biplane in the Wanganui Guineas, when many riders would have considered pursuit hopeless. Mr. Lowry has to pay the piper, and, of course, has the privilege of calling the tune, but all the same it is rough on young O'Shea being turned down for another horseman at such an important stage of his career—his first visit to Australia.

McLachlan is a recognised horseman, but he has had his turn of bad luck at the game. Everyone knows that Biplane was a bit of a handful for Ben Deeley in his work in the spring of last year at Randwick. While waiting for Deeley to go over to ride him work this spring, R. J. Mason got McLachlan to ride the son of Comedy King, and immediately afterwards it appeared in the papers that McLachlan had stated that in his (McLachlan's) hands Biplane was no trouble. He laughed at the suggestion that



RACING NEWS



RACING FIXTURES, 1918.

Nov. 2, 6—Avondale J.C.
Nov. 4, 6, 9—Canterbury J.C.
Nov. 9—Auckland R.C.
Nov. 13, 14—Winton J.C.
Nov. 20—Ashhurst-Pohangina R.C.
Nov. 21—South Canterbury J.C.
Nov. 30—Takapuna J.C.
Nov. 30—Feilding J.C.
Dec. 4, 5—Woodville District J.C.
Dec. 5—Methven R.C.

EVENTS REQUIRING ATTENTION.

Thursday, November 7.

Handicaps Auckland R.C. spring (in morning paper).
Acceptances Auckland R.C. spring and final payments G.N. Guineas and Welcome Stakes, by 12 noon.

Friday, November 8.

Entries Takapuna J.C. spring, by 5 p.m.

Saturday, November 9.

Acceptances Ashhurst-Pohangina R.C. annual, at 9 p.m.

Tuesday, November 12.

Handicaps Feilding J.C. spring (on or about).

Friday, November 15.

Handicaps Takapuna J.C. spring, at 4 p.m.

Saturday, November 16.

Acceptances Feilding J.C. spring, at 5.30 p.m.

Friday, November 22.

Nominations Taranaki J.C. Christmas meeting, by 9 p.m.
Acceptances Takapuna J.C. spring, at 5 p.m.
Nominations Waipa J.C. annual, at 9 p.m.

WAIPA RACING CLUB.

FORTHCOMING MEETING.

Undoubtedly one of the most popular country race gatherings held in the Auckland province is that which takes place each year at Te Awamutu, where the Waipa Racing Club's up-to-date course is situated. The club have not spared expense in bringing their course and appointments up to a standard which evoked general appreciation from all who attended their meeting last December, while since then the club have made further improvements with a view to ensuring the comfort and convenience of their patrons. Among the additional improvements carried out is that of increasing the facilities of the public for reaching the course, the roads having been improved, the distance from the station reduced, and the route made easier.

The Waipa Racing Club's forthcoming gathering is to be held on December 14, less than a fortnight before the big summer carnival at Ellerslie, so that Auckland trainers will have an excellent opportunity of giving their horses a run at Te Awamutu as a preliminary test before tackling the bigger events at the A.R.C. meeting. In this connection it is interesting to recall the fact that Depredation after winning the 1916 Te Awamutu Cup succeeded a couple of weeks later in leading the field home in the Auckland Cup, while last year Cynic, who captured the Te Awamutu Cup, put up a brilliant performance at Ellerslie a fortnight later when he acted as runner-up in the A.R.C. Handicap to Multiply, with Desert Gold in third position.

This year's Te Awamutu Cup is worth 165sovs, and is, as usual, run over a mile and a-quarter course, and can be relied upon to attract wide attention from owners and trainers. Next in importance comes the Flying Handicap, of 115sovs, six furlongs, in which a good entry of sprinters may safely be anticipated. Two events which can be depended upon to induce good fields are the Pirongia Handicap Hurdles, of 100 sovs (hack conditions), and the Maiden Handicap, of 60sovs, for horses that have never won a stake of 50sovs or over at the time of starting, five furlongs. The remaining events are the Kihikihi Handicap, of 100sovs, seven furlongs; Ohaupo Handicap, of 90sovs, five furlongs; Orakau Maiden Handicap, of 60sovs, six furlongs; and the Paterangi Welter Handicap, of 90sovs, one mile.

Nominations for all events close with the secretary, Mr. H. Lewis, Te Awamutu, or with Messrs. Blomfield and Co., High Street, Auckland, on Friday, November 22, at 9 p.m.

MARTON JOCKEY CLUB.

SUMMER MEETING.

A New Year racing fixture which promises to be liberally patronised by North Island owners, trainers and turf followers generally is the Marton Jockey Club's summer meeting, in connection with which a first-rate programme has been drawn up by the officials of this enterprising club. Meetings held on the Marton course invariably provide high-class racing, the competitors seen out at these popular fixtures representing the best in the North Island. The piece de resistance as regards the New Year's Day gathering of the Marton Jockey Club is the Marton Cup (open), of 600sovs, one mile and a-quarter, and the prospects of a splendid field going to the post may be regarded most favourably. This old-established and much coveted race has provided the

dicap, of 150sovs, six furlongs; Ladies' Bracelet, of 130sovs, eight furlongs and a-half; and the New Year Hack Handicap, of 150sovs, seven furlongs.

Nominations for all events close with the secretary, Mr. Arthur Way, Marton, on Friday, December 6, at 9 p.m.

THE CAULFIELD CUP.

KING OFFA'S WONDERFUL RACE.

Special interest was attached to the Caulfield Cup, run last month at Caulfield, in view of the fact that the favourite, King Offa, who carried off honours in brilliant style, was to all intents a lame horse. The first news that he had shown signs of lameness seems to have been conveyed to several bookmakers in Melbourne by watchers of the work at Flemington,

the post, and again when he returned to the weighing enclosure. It was a great triumph for the horse and all connected with him.

The trouble which led to the sensational drift in the betting the previous day was serious enough, but with perseverance the trainer saved the horse from a breakdown, and making a rapid recovery, the animal rose superior to the lameness, which remained as an aftermath of the more serious trouble, and won like a true racehorse.

Racegoers made a move in the direction of the course long before the hour of starting, for the purpose of inspecting King Offa, the Cup favourite, and in consequence the early trains were crowded. When the first trainload arrived King Offa was being ridden round the exercise ring in the paddock by a light boy. He did not appear to be in a serious condition. The only fault apparent to the average horse-fancier was the way he put his near foreleg to the ground. He used that limb gingerly, as if it were sore. Good judges inspected the horse, and the majority expressed satisfaction with his appearance.

"That horse is all right," and "He will shake off his soreness when he warms up to his race," were the remarks made, and many who had big bets about him were much more reassured than they were the previous day, when the rumours were so ominous. King Offa continued to walk round the little circle in the paddock for some time, evidently with the idea of preventing him from getting cold and stiff in the defective quarter. R. Bradfield, the trainer, gave it out that he thought the horse would be able to run almost, if not quite, as well in the Cup as if the trouble had not arisen.

As the day wore on the supporters of the favourite became more confident, and by the time betting ceased he was installed a firm favourite for the event.

When the field lined up at the barrier the favourite had a place in the middle of the field, while Wolaroi was about fourth from the outside. Wolaroi jumped off smartly and ran to the front, with Eurobin, to get a good position round the first turn. King Offa in the meantime took up a handy position about fifth, going very comfortably. Eurobin continued to pilot the field down the back, while Wolaroi was always handy, with Hispania and Major Bill prominent. At the half-mile the order of the leaders was practically the same, but backers of the favourite were on anything but good terms with themselves, for King Offa, having met with interference from beaten horses, had fallen back to the rear, with only two horses behind him. At the turn, however, he dashed through, and in a trice was just behind the pacemaker. It was just as if the field opened up for him, for he got through without hindrance on the rails.

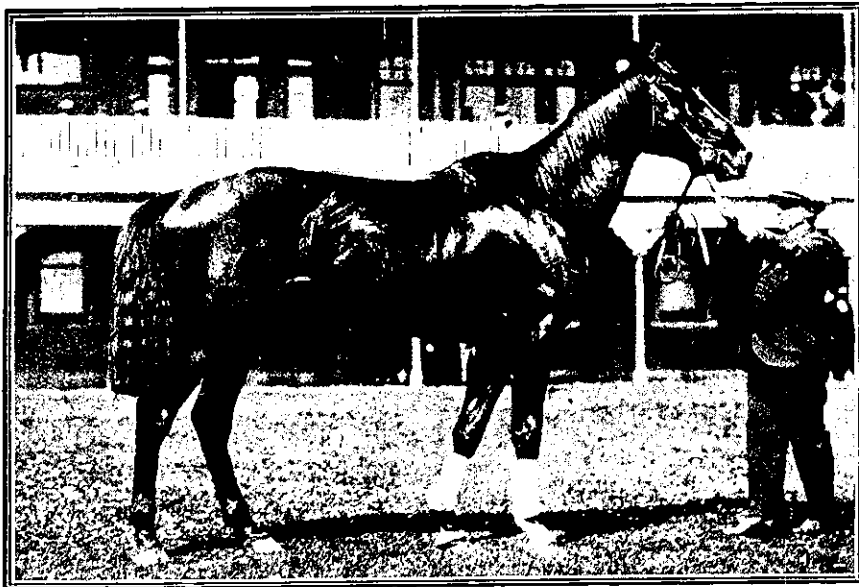
At the top of the straight Wolaroi went to the front, and made his run. McLachlan kept the rails, and made the favourite go round him. Despite this disadvantage, he quickly ranged up alongside Wolaroi, and in a moment the latter was struggling. McLachlan drew the whip to Wolaroi, but it was of no avail. King Offa lobbed past the Sydney horse as if he stood still. Wolaroi continued to battle it out gamely, but King Offa was going very easily, and won by three-quarters of a length.

King Offa was bought as a two-year-old in England for £200, but did not race in the Old Country. He is by Radium (sire of Rebus) from Officious, by Isinglass from Meddlesome, by Stagion from Busybody, by Petrarch King. He is trained by Richard Bradfield, who prepared Chrome, the runner-up in this race last year.

Frank Bullock, who rode the winner, was warmly congratulated by his fellow horsemen, the riders in the race being among the first. Bullock stated that he had a very fair ride, but got into trouble a few times through beaten horses falling back on him. At the top of the hill Speedy Gleam came back on him. He followed the leaders down the railway side, and got a very fair run round the turn into the straight. He always felt that he had the race won, and King Offa responded splendidly.



Mr. A. Chisholm's ch g SAMIEL, aged, by Downshire—Hamattan, who accounted for the Ranfurly Handicap (one mile) on the concluding day of the Dunedin Jockey Club's spring meeting.



A PROMISING ADDITION TO THE JUMPING RANKS.—Mr. R. Acton-Adams' b g GRAFTELLA, aged, by Grafton Loch—Estella.

club's patrons with some stirring struggles in the past, and will assuredly again prove an attraction well warranting a trip to the Marton course on the first day of the New Year. The Railway Handicap (open), six furlongs, carries with it the valuable sum of 350sovs in stake money, and that many leading sprinters will be reserved for this event is certain. Another good stake is offered for the Stewards' Welter Handicap (open), of 240sovs, eight furlongs and a-half, a distance which will suit many horses whose stamina is not to be trusted over longer courses. The Hack Hurdles Handicap, of 175sovs, one mile and a-half, and the Juvenile Handicap, of 200sovs, for two and three-year-olds (five furlongs), are two events which will be appreciated by owners of eligible candidates. Owners of hacks are especially well catered for, the following three flat events being provided on the afternoon's programme: Dash Hack Han-

and early in the morning they hurried to town to take advantage of whatever might happen in the Cup wagering. His price gradually lengthened, there being few eager to accept the long odds offered regarding the prospects of the son of Radium, who prior to his reported lameness had been a firm favourite in the market for a number of weeks.

And what a wonderful race this lame horse put up (remarks the Melbourne correspondent of the Sydney "Sun" in describing the race). Left nearly last five furlongs from home, he ran through the field as if they were so many donkeys, and catching Wolaroi in the straight, beat that high-class performer in almost hollow style. It was a most impressive performance, and the great crowd gathered at Caulfield, instead of taking umbrage because this new champion had been reported lame, putting many thousands of them off backing him, cheered him to the echo as he passed

INTERPROVINCIAL

(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENTS.)

WELLINGTON.

Ashhurst-Pohangina Meeting—Participants in the Big Dividend at Trentham—Notes on the Wellington Meeting—Leading Owner's Characteristic Generosity.

WELLINGTON, Monday.

Quite a number of local horses are in training for the Ashhurst meeting, which takes place on the 20th inst., and there is every prospect of a portion of the stake money finding its way to these parts. Gatherings held at Ashhurst are always popular with the racing public, and the coming fixture promises to be no exception to the general rule.

B. Jury, formerly well known in New Plymouth, has taken service with the Opaki trainer, J. T. Jamieson, where his experience of the thoroughbred should be of some use. Jury took Hydrus to Waverley, where the gelding won the Cup after an exciting finish with Royal Park.

Friends of Mr. Percy F. Wall, the well-known Hatuma (Hawke's Bay) sportsman, who has been in camp for some time, will regret to hear that he had the misfortune recently to have a leg broken while playing a game of football at the Trentham Camp. Private Wall is at present an inmate of the Greytown Hospital, but hopes are entertained that he will be well enough to be removed to his home at Hatuma this week. By the way, Private Wall's two horses, Ethiopian and Import, are coming on well in their training, and some successes are expected to come their way during the present season. Private Wall's many friends are wishing him a speedy return to good health, as he is very anxious to get away to the war zone to fight for his King and country.

Amongst the visitors at the Waverley meeting last week was Mr. V. B. Stratton, formerly of Hastings, who is known to racegoers in his

capacity of secretary of the Egmont Racing Club. Mr. Stratton has made a splendid recovery from a very serious illness, and his many friends will be glad to know that he is now quite himself again.

The big dividend of over a century paid out on Mistian at the Wellington meeting last week was participated in to the extent of £2 10s. by trainer R. Barlow, of New Plymouth, who trains the two-year-old for Mr. A. Lile. Another patron of Barlow's stable in Mr. J. Harle also had a similar investment on the machine on the son of Winkie—Mistime. An ex-Pahiatua hotelkeeper, who saw the chestnut colt leading his field home in the Juvenile parade at the recent Egmont meeting, also invested £2 on the machine, as he was much impressed with the colt's showing on that occasion. The dividend returned will probably remain a record for some time as regards horses trained by Barlow, whose horses are as a rule generally well fancied by the racing public.

Bonville just failed to land the "goods" at Trentham, but the price she returned was very substantial. The filly has been a disappointment to owner Mr. H. E. Card, of Featherston, and it is gratifying to know that there is now some reasonable prospect of him getting some of his own back.

A. M. Wright's many friends were glad to see him capturing a double at the W.R.C. meeting with the aid of Foeman, who had no difficulty in winning both Hack Steeplechasing events. The gelding has done well this season, and a hack hurdle event or two may not be beyond his tether during the next few months.

Quite one of the most popular wins recorded at the recent W.R.C. meeting was that achieved by Mr. Ernest Short's splendid galloper Demos in the appropriately named Shorts Handicap. The son of Demosthenes ran in an easy winner in a big field of first-class sprinters. One wag was

heard to remark that as the race was termed the Shorts Handicap it was only natural that Mr. Short should win it. The "Parorangi" sportsman is known for his many acts of kindness, and his recent gift of the racehorse Hastie to be raffled for the Crippled Soldiers' Hostel is only one of many examples of his beneficent support of the patriotic movement. Mr. Short is racing Hastie at his own expense until the raffle is decided, and the stake money won by Hastie at Masterton goes to the fund. It may be mentioned that one lady during the progress of the Masterton meeting sold no less than £611 worth of tickets in the raffle. The funds should benefit very handsomely through Mr. Short's generosity.

The Normanby trainer, C. Millen, known familiarly as "Plain Bill," sprang another surprise on his friends at the Waverley meeting with Kaimanawanui, who accounted for the Jackson Stakes and returned his 83 supporters a substantial dividend. It was only a little while back that Coropett, trained by Millen, won at Marton and returned a well nigh similar amount. On that occasion Millen mentioned the fact that he had another "dark" horse, and his prophecy has quickly borne fruit.

Trainer J. Sullivan, of Woodville, has a fine type of a galloper in Bindle, a two-year-old by Solferino—Happy Valley, who will assuredly be heard of within the next few weeks. The gelding can gallop to some purpose.

SOUTHLAND.

Gore Racing Club's Successful Meeting—Notes on the Racing—Marianne Wins Principal Handicap—Benefit's Double Success.

INVERCARGILL, November 1.

What may be termed the most successful and enjoyable spring fixture ever controlled by the Gore Racing Club opened on Saturday of last week and extended over Labour Day. The fields were not large, but there was some exciting racing, and the attendance and totalisator figures were of record proportions, while the weather was ideal for outdoor sporting purposes.

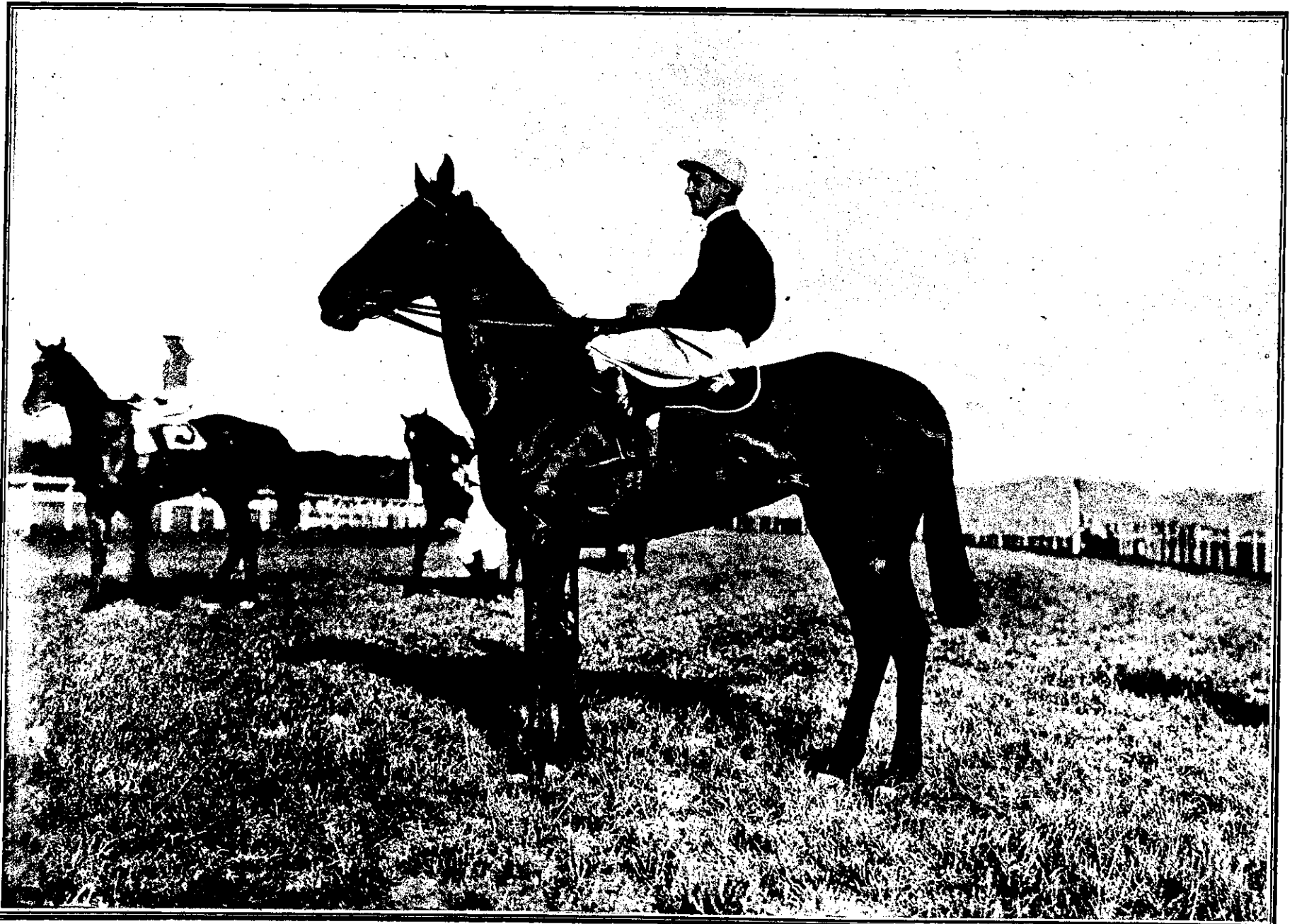
The imported mare Wild Oats, by Martagon, has produced a filly foal to Balboa. Golden Webb, by Captain Webb—Daisy Chain, is also attending to the rearing of a filly by the Varco horse. These are the first of the progeny of the Auckland Cup winner to be announced.

The principal event, the Waikaka Handicap, of the opening day of the Gore meeting was won by Marianne, a daughter of the English stallion Kenilworth, now at the stud in New South Wales and well known as the sire of two good stayers in Poitrel and Kennaquhair. The dam of Marianne, Ruenalf's Daughter by name, was imported from Sydney and is now in Mr. J. B. Reid's paddocks at Elderslie Stud. Owned by "Mr. Rewcastle," of Dunedin, Marianne promises to stay well, despite the fact that she is built on delicate or spidery lines. She had to be ridden hard to get with Tin Soldier at Gore, but came away over the last furlongs of nine and beat him comfortably. In the final event of the fixture, the Muirihiku Handicap, decided over a mile, Marianne had again to be forced along to the distance, but won easily at the end from Aycliffe. It will be interesting to watch her future career, as she is not yet at her best, judging from her looks.

The first of Vice-Admiral's stock to win a race was seen out on the opening day at Gore, viz., Admiral Talbot, and he won again on the second day. It is not surprising that this good-looking gelding should promise to gallop well, as in addition to claiming a good horse like Vice-Admiral as his sire, his dam, Lady Talbot, was got by Pilgrim's Progress from Lady Lillian, by Phaeton (son of Trenton) from Lady Zetland (one of the crack mares of New Zealand's turf history from a handicap point of view). Admiral Talbot, who cost 135 guineas (top price) at a sale of horses here on behalf of Mr. J. C. N. Grigg in December last, is owned by Mr. R. Miller, of Mandeville, an enthusiastic veteran sportsman, and is trained by P. T. Hogan. He returned a very substantial price in his opening essay, but this was probably due to the fact that the stable commissioner was too late to get his money into the totalisator.

The first of the stock of Soldiers' Chorus to race was in evidence at

Notable Performers on the New Zealand Turf.—No. 20: KILTESS.



A CONSISTENT STAKE EARNER OVER VARYING DISTANCES.—Mr. J. K. Jackson's br m **KILTESS**, aged, by Finland—Miss Lochiel. A. Reed in saddle. Trained by F. Higgott. **KILTESS'** best performance last season was her victory in the Rangitikei Cup (1½ miles).

Gore, in Marching Orders, a son of Order (dam of Special Order and Orderdown), by The Officer—Spot. He is very like his sire from a quality point of view, but otherwise favours his dam as regards substance. Although he did not get into the money, Marching Order displayed pace, and it is safe to say that he will be hard to beat in the Winton Stakes a fortnight hence.

On the second day at Gore, Tin Soldier made amends for his beating by Marianne on the occasion of the opening of the meeting, by winning the principal race of the fixture, the Spring Handicap, from his elder full brother, Gunrest. There was a great finish between the progeny of Calibre and Tinwald Beauty, but the younger brother, in receipt of 19lb., stayed the ten furlong journey out the better of the pair. The fact that Gunrest was very heavily backed by his connections enabled the supporters of Tin Soldier to collect a very fair dividend. The disappointing Don Pacifico (San Francisco—Wind-whistle) was favourite, but never looked like getting into the limelight. It may be said that Tin Soldier is a sturdy little fellow, built very much on the lines of Rorke's Drift, and is owned by one of the family of Mr. F. A. Price, who has most to do with Rorke's Drift.

The two steeplechase events decided at Gore were well worth witnessing. All the starters, to the number of seven, stood up in the Wantwood Steeplechase, Silverspire, by Quicksilver—Minaret (Southland's crack brood mare to date) narrowly beating Chappal Moh. On the concluding day, Silverspire (trained by P. T. Hogan) had to strike his colours to the hurdle horse Glenthorpe, by Glenapp (sire of Fiery Cross, Glendower, etc.), but the race was an interesting one, and undoubtedly the fastest two miles and three-quarters contest ever experienced in this part of the world. The fences are anything but formidable at Gore, however, and the track was in great galloping order, which discounts the performance to some extent, but it goes to show that jumping horses here are showing improved pace, a very necessary thing with local owners always ambitious of discovering horses good enough to represent them successfully at Wingatui and Riccarton. Glenthorpe is owned by Mr. W. J. Kelly, of Riversdale, and both he and his brother, Mr. N. Kelly, have long displayed a partiality for racing jumping horses in the home province and elsewhere.

There was another nice son of Vice-Admiral racing at Gore, a Winton Stakes candidate called Red Admiral. He is a half brother to Neuroma and Good Start, as he is out of Redstart, and he looks as if he will become more useful than either with time and experience. Like Marching Order, previously mentioned, he is prepared at River-ton by that careful mentor, A. D. McIvor.

Quite apart from the monetary side of the performance, a great deal of satisfaction must have been reaped by an old-time Otago racing family as the outcome of the double success—Waimea Hack Handicap and Flying Handicap—of Benefit on the second day at Gore. He is owned by Mrs. J. Ellis, for whom he is trained by her son (J. Ellis), while yet another son (R. Ellis) was in the saddle. Benefit was also bred on the premises, so to speak, as he was got by Beneform (Multiform—Invicta), also bred at Mosgiel.

The Winton Cup will be the next event of importance to claim attention in this district, and it is to be hoped that in this ten furlong event Gunrest and Tin Soldier will fight their Gore battle over again, while the presence of All Ready, Burrangong, Fleetham, Take Down, Aycliffe and some others may lend variety to the occasion.

The tote turnover on the opening day of the C.J.C. meeting fell short of that of the opening day of 1917 by £5080.

Mr. T. W. Gormley writes from Hawera correcting a paragraph which recently appeared in our Wellington notes to the effect that he along with other Hawera critics would not hear of Royal Park losing the Waverley Cup. Mr. Gormley states that as he is in no way connected with that horse's upkeep the publication of the paragraph in question, which was without foundation, is resented by him. As is well known, Royal Park finished second to Hydrus in the Waverley-Waitotara Cup.

WAIRARAPA.

Multaine's Injury Not Serious—Botanist Going Along Nicely—Masterton R.C.'s Meeting Results in Good Profit—Local Horses Engaged at Ashhurst—W. Hawthorne's Team at N.Z. Cup Meeting.

MASTERTON, Friday.

Multaine went sore last week and could not make the trip to Avondale. However, the injury is not serious, and she will be competing at Ashhurst.

Brown Joe added two thirds at Trentham to his long list of place-getting during the past few months. T. Higgins has him well, but the necessary pace at the end of his races is lacking.

Vasilkov is still growing, and at present must be considered one of the biggest two-year-olds in training. The half-brother to Sasanof is being given plenty of time, and Mr. Kemball's fine-looking colt should be heard of in the autumn.

Masterton-trained horses failed to win a race at Trentham, although place money was earned by Brown Joe, Murihiku, Galore, and Damien.

Hydrus was taken through to Waverley by Bert Jury, head lad in J. T. Jamieson's Opaki stable. After competing unsuccessfully in the Brewer Handicap, the Hymettus gelding came out later in the day and won the Waverley Cup. Mr. McDonald has now won three races with Hydrus.

Botanist is going along nicely at Opaki, and will be seen out in public shortly. The son of Treadmill and

pair are to remain until after the Auckland spring meeting.

Torfreda showed a lot of pace in the Shorts Handicap at Wellington, and was out in front for four furlongs, when she tired. The racing the full-sister to Hymestra is having is doing her a lot of good, and she is now nice and quiet, and gives no trouble at the barrier.

The following Wairarapa-trained horses have been nominated for the Ashhurst meeting: Otara, Comment, Multaine, Hydrus, Missland, Occasion, Railand, and Momac.

W. Hawthorne took Hymestra, Nanna, Snub and Missgold on to Riccarton after the Wellington meeting. J. T. Jamieson also went south with Torfreda, Affectation, Rose Wreath and Murihiku. T. Pritchard's team consisted of Damien and Galore.

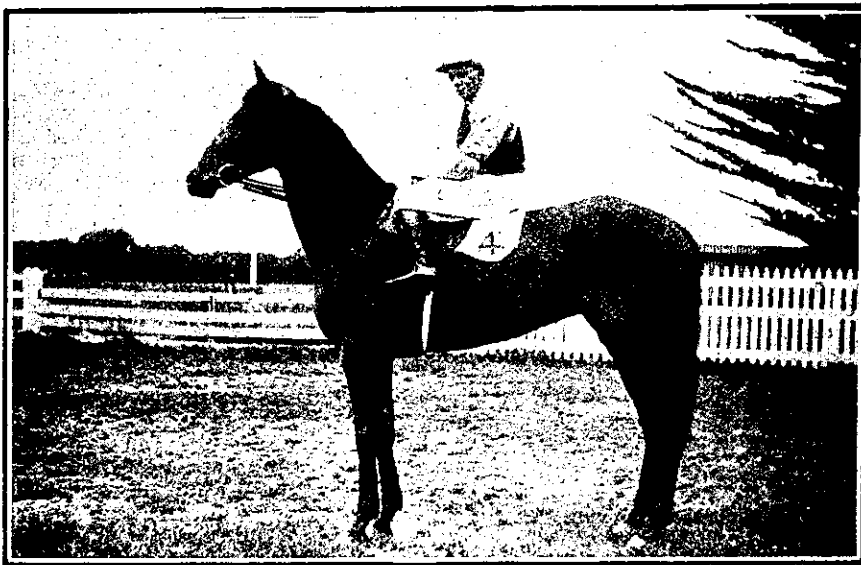
R. Knox is not doing much with Penury Rose just now, but the son of Penury and Merrie Rose will be hurried along shortly in view of the Wairarapa meeting next month.

WANGANUI.

Starengo and Vance Engaged at Ashhurst—The Waverley-Waitotara R.C.'s Successful Meeting—Feilding J.C.'s Excellent Nominations—Client Probable Starter in Auckland Cup—Ashhurst Weights Reviewed.

WANGANUI, Monday.

The only Wanganui-trained horses engaged at the Ashhurst meeting are Starengo and Vance. The former won the Brewer Handicap at Waverley in a style which suggested that he was



A prominent Hawke's Bay representative at present in Auckland for the Avondale and A.R.C. spring meetings.—Mr. J. Hart's b g TEKA, 6yrs, by Mystification—Tattle. E. Manson in saddle. Trained by J. O. E. Jones.

Bonnie Brae is looking fresh and well after his lengthy spell.

The recent bad weather has made the local tracks very soft, but as most of the horses are away at present there will be a good chance of having them in good order by the time they return home.

T. Pritchard had hard luck in not winning a race at the Wellington meeting. Galore was only beaten a head by Mazama on the first day, and Damien beat all but Inah in the Nainai Handicap on Monday. Both were paying substantial dividends to win.

Snub ran a really good race in the Champion Plate at Trentham, and is coming on with every gallop. He was well up with the leaders all the way and finished fourth. Considering that he was meeting Client on level terms the local horse can be credited with having made great improvement lately, and W. Hawthorne has him looking big and well.

The balance-sheet presented to the stewards of the Masterton Racing Club disclosed the fact that the club made a profit of £1100 over its recent meeting. The main items of expenditure were: Stakes £2555, and Government tax £1898 17s. 2d. The receipts included: Nominations £383, totalisator £3691 7s. 3d., and accommodation £142.

W. Garrett's pair, Blue Hall and Vitella, were taken to Trentham and were given their first race in public. Both shaped pleasingly for beginners, and a successful career is predicted for them. The handicapper took notice of Blue Hall, as although untried he was weighted at 10lb. above the minimum in the Rimutaka Hack on the opening day.

Supporters of Railand on the opening day at Trentham were lucky, as Mr. Kemball's filly was bracketed on the totalisator with King Abbey, the pair returning a double-figure dividend.

H. Stockley took Misslove and Gladful through to Avondale, and the

back to his best form, and he behaved well at the barrier. If he can be kept as well under control in future he should soon be found amongst the winners again.

Vance had shown so much pace in sprint gallops on the track that she was generally expected to make a good showing in the Wilson Stakes at Waverley. She ran a fine race, being almost in line with the first and second horses, which were the only ones to finish in front of her. As it was the first run in public by the daughter of Advance—Daisy Clipper, it seems safe to predict that she will be heard of later on.

The Waverley-Waitotara Racing Club is to be congratulated on the great success of its annual meeting, which was held on Labour Day. The club was very fortunate in being favoured with fine weather, as heavy rain fell in the early morning and again at night. The attendance was exceptionally large, and big fields and good racing were the order, while some very nice dividends were paid. The conduct of the sport left nothing to be desired so far as the club's officials were concerned, and in this connection special praise is due to Mr. W. Macfarlane and the officials generally. It was unfortunate, however, that the programme was not got through with a better regard to punctuality, but this was apparently not the fault of the club's officials, but was due to the time lost in checking the totalisator figures. As a result of the delay a great number of people had to leave the course before the last race was run, which was very annoying, especially to those who reckon they would have been on the big dividend had they been able to stay. It would be a good idea for the club to make an earlier start in future, particularly as under present railway arrangements the great majority of the people are on the course an hour or two before the first race.

The Feilding Jockey Club has received excellent nominations for its

annual meeting, to be held on Saturday, the 30th inst., and there is every prospect of the gathering being a big success. All the events have filled splendidly, and the day's sport promises to be thoroughly enjoyable. As the Feilding meetings are very popular with racegoers a great crowd is bound to attend the meeting.

F. Tilley has Oratress, Moutoa Ivanova, Acre, Amythas, Coolpan and 'Cello engaged at Feilding.

It is probable that Client will be given a short spell after returning from Riccarton, as it is intended to take him to Auckland for the Cup.

H. Rayner had Carmel Arch in good fettle at Waverley, but the gelding was unlucky there. He will, all going well, be seen out again at Feilding, and is likely to run well.

W. Rayner returned home with Pennon, Zela, Rose Queen and Farce after the Trentham meeting, where they ran without success. Pennon appears none the worse for her racing and has been left in the Feilding Stakes. She should go on all right as long as the tracks remain on the soft side.

The weights for the Ashhurst meeting have made their appearance, and have been framed in a style which should lead to good acceptances.

Starengo has been given 10.9 in the Hurdles and also figures in the Pohangina Handicap at 8.1. He showed good form at Waverley, and is likely to be hard to beat if started in the flat event, while he can jump, and if started over the hurdles should run well.

Rawakore reads nicely in the Pohangina Handicap at 7.10, while in the Ashhurst Cup Wapping (7.12) may have to be reckoned with.

NOMINATIONS.

FEILDING JOCKEY CLUB.

SPRING MEETING.

The nominations received on Friday last for the Feilding Jockey Club's spring meeting, which takes place on November 30, are of a highly satisfactory character, both as regards quality and number, horses being entered from all parts of the North Island, while several South Island representatives figure among the list, notably Long Range, Royal Stag, Onslaught and Foo Chow. Quite a number of southern trainers will no doubt avail themselves of the opportunity to give their horses a run at the Feilding meeting before proceeding north to take part at the Manawatu, Auckland and Taranaki Christmas and New Year racing carnivals. Handicaps will be declared on Tuesday next, November 12. The nominations are as follows:—

WAITUNA HACK HURDLES, one mile and a-half.—White Stockings, Ori Ori, Whiro, Mick, Woolahia, Vacuum, Warmth, Zola, Sir William, Lady Amal, Master Boris, Miss Sation, Turpenite, Tangihau, Rising Tide, Munster, Yarella, Ta Ta, Lord Ainslie, Rio, Espionage, Strangeways, Starengo, Tornea, Undecided, Kurnalpi, First Line, De Geur.

FLYING STAKES, six furlongs.—Multaine, Demos, Hupana, Maioha, Bo-Peep, Nobleman, Galore, Staccato, Jean Laddo, Rawakore, Sardinia, Lady General, Vagabond, Sheila, Nystad, Birkenvale, Gipsy Gem, Sea Lord, Starengo, Oratress, Waimatao, Torfreda, Royal Chef.

APITI HACK HANDICAP, seven furlongs.—Railand, Sonnino, Signorella, Arihia, Winning Shot, Torchlight, Staccato, Maioha, Philomela, La Pucelle, Munition, Otonga, Royal Park, Zela, War March, Tigritiya, Athens II, St. Demetrius, Paddington Green, Ulsterman, War Scot, Idle Talk, Ta Ta, Namur, Solito, Genskus, Rover, Trombone, Ehpa, Carmel Arch, Crossroads, 'Cello, Sunburst, Marquetteur, Khatmandu.

AORANGI TRIAL PLATE, five furlongs and a-half.—Missland, Whetoki, Kohu, Lord Muskerry, King Albert, Preface, Tamaita, Sea Sprite, Romance, Gardinia, Havasack, Vance, Pot Pourri, Philomela, Bonny Briar, Livland, Zablism, Otonga, Reforte, Gatherer, Star-glow, Crystal Palace, Samarang, March On, Sea Foam, Borealis, Desire, Miss Eileen, Aratika, Goconda, Nematine, Genskus, Jane Douglas, Self Alliance, Cheer Up, Whakateru, Warning, Red Signal, Sunburst, Queen Carnival.

MANCHESTER HANDICAP, one mile and a-quarter.—Multaine, Long Range, Onslaught, Dingle, Galore, Rose Pink, White Blaze, Devotion, Orleans, Rewi Poto, Henry Clay, Vagabond, Teku, Detroit, Bronk Delaval, Lord Ainslie, Wapping, Depredation, Dribble, Hydrus, Royal Park, Classification.

THIRTEENTH FEILDING STAKES, five furlongs.—Silver Link, Warplane, Missland, Moutoa Ivanova, Glamis, Calauria, Royal Stag, Sweet Tipperary, Croesus, Bitholia, Kipling, Bindie, Oratress, Surveyor, Orange Bitters, Demades, Isaacs, Ermine, Neglige, Amythas, Acre, Bonny Briar, Foo Chow, Emphyrean, Pennon, Hytinus, Parorangi, Livland, Borealis, Sea Sprite, Amberline, Golden Crozier, Cyrilian, Crenedis.

CHELZENHAM HACK HANDICAP, six furlongs.—Railand, Engari, Crucelle, Tyche, Halcyon, Romance, Staccato, Cotillion, Livland, Munition, Reforte, Gatherer, Zabism, War March, Tigritiya, Athens II, Crystal Palace, Intend, Marquetteur, March On, Papanui, Idle Talk, Warmaid, Vigolo, Aratika, Nematine, Crestmere, Self Alliance, Trombone, Greta, Carmel Arch, Coolpan, Red Signal.

KIWITEA WELTER, seven furlongs.—Hastie, Maioha, Nobleman, Dingle, Sir Fanciful, White Blaze, Sardinia, Orleans, Royal Park, Vagabond, Marquetteur, Arlington, Cherry Mart, Bronk Delaval, Tangihau, Munster, Rio, St. Demetrius, Gipsy Gem, Sea Lord, Dribble, Hydrus, Square Deal.

AUCKLAND RACING CLUB.

SPRING MEETING.

This meeting will commence and end on Saturday, being restricted to one day. As the weights for the Mitchelson Cup, of 1000sovs., and the five minor handicap races are not issued until after the Avondale meeting, and as three-year-old form will not be fully elucidated thereat before this issue goes to press, we are left with little to say about the most important one-day meeting to be found in the Calendar. The two-year-old running in the Avondale Stakes gives us a line as to the best of those that competed in that event, and there were a dozen, some of them, however, not in the A.R.C. Welcome Stakes, which is run over a furlong further. Some that competed at Avondale are almost certain to drop out for all the chance they can have of gaining any portion of the prize money so nicely divided into three sums. With a good get-away there is no reason to look beyond Prince Charleroi and Parorangi and No Mistake to beat those they met in the Avondale Stakes. We look to Parorangi to turn the tables on the Auckland gelding, as he had the worst of the luck in that race. No Mistake ran a bit wide at the turn at Avondale, and Yankee Dan looked as if a race would do him more good than any of the others save, perhaps, Phyllona. We are likely to see a few run that did not compete in the Avondale Stakes, but which were engaged on Wednesday in the Nursery Handicap. The best of these may prove to be Canawindra, but whether he can stretch Prince Charleroi or beat No Mistake and Yankee Dan there or at Ellerslie remains to be seen. It does not seem likely that either Parorangi or Prince Charleroi will be beaten in their present form.

The Great Northern Guineas may have some more light thrown on it by running in the Avondale Guineas and handicap events on the second day of the Avondale meeting. Of the twenty-three that were left in after the last forfeit, Kilmoon was the only one scratched. Spanner, Te Miro, General Advance, Hallow, Comedy Prince, Athens II., Ruatara, War March and Kilbeggan each started on the first day of the Avondale meeting. Hineamaru, Kipling, Canzonet, Principal Lady and Escaped are the more prominent of the others from which the field will be made up, and there is every indication that numerically it will be one of the largest, if not the best, seen out.

FORFEITS.

After declaration of forfeits, the following remain in:—

- GREAT NORTHERN GUINEAS** of 1000 sovs. One mile.
- Ewen W. Allison's b c Spanner, by The Nut—Dudu
 - Ewen W. Allison's b f Hineamaru, by Poseidon—Porfar gal
 - J. G. Collins' ch c Kipling, by Demosthenes—Gossip
 - H. Downs' blk c Haraki, by Projectile—Coralie
 - Goodwin and Hardley's br c Egmont Park, by Sylvia Park—Tottie
 - M. Grace's b g Mirabeau, by General Latour—Kirsty
 - Jas. Hand's br f Kilbeggan, by Kilbroney—Rouge
 - R. Hannon's ch c Te Miro, by Spalpeen—Bell Crispin
 - H. Homer's br g Canzonet, by Bezonian—Dirge
 - J. Goring Johnston's b f Cherry Mart, by Birkenhead—Martia
 - J. D. Kemp's br c General Advance, by Advance—Electra
 - Newton King's b g Hallow, by Hallowmas—White Crane
 - F. E. Loomb's br f Principal Lady, by Bezonian—Lady Principal
 - F. M. Mills' br c, by Lonawand—Mary Tavey
 - Mrs. Harvey Patterson's br c Comedy Prince, by Comedy King—Rattler
 - W. C. Ring's br g Ruatara, by Elysian—Folly Perkins
 - G. L. Stead's b c Kilmoon, by Kilbroney—St. Sophia
 - J. Hart's br g Athens II., by Demosthenes—Los Vegis
 - T. J. B. Stewart's blk f Demoiselle, by Demosthenes—Golden Ball
 - J. Twohill's b g Escaped, by General Latour—Clare
 - T. P. Vuglar's b f Merry Nell, by Marble Arch—Merry Nif
 - D. Wilkie's ch g Mandrake, by Hymettus—Mandola
 - A. B. Williams' b c War March, by Martian—Two Step

WELCOME STAKES of 1000sovs. Five furlongs.

- E. H. Baracq's br f Demades, by Demosthenes—Gold Powder
- G. D. Beatson's b f Asterina, by Merry Moment—Asteroid
- A. W. Beveridge's br f Phyllona, by Elysian—Wenona
- G. M. Currie's b f Melting, by King Rufus—Liquify
- Executors late W. J. Douglas' b c Heta, by Demosthenes—Fairy Gold
- R. Elliot's br f Princess Charming, by Charlemagne II.—Vernonia
- W. H. Gaisford's b g Bindle, by Solferino—Happy Valley
- E. Gibbs' b g Hyrax, by Hymettus—Woodquest
- W. J. Goldsbrough's br g Canawindra, by Popinjay—Nancy Stair
- G. Green's b g Prince Charleroi, by General Latour—Alicia

- C. Grierson's ch f Lady Una, by Eudorus—Marcobello
- W. Higgins' b g No Mistake, by Bezonian—Winsome
- J. Goring Johnston's ch f Neglige, by Hallowmas—Overall
- W. R. Kembal's b f Misslove, by Elysian—Kowerewere
- R. E. Laurent's blk g Passin' Through, by Guinforte—Iseult
- R. D. de Lautour's b c Heather Moon, by Good Night—Heather II.
- A. Lille's ch g Mistfan, by Winkle—Mistime
- Mr. Brentnall's b g Finkop, by Finland—Finery
- F. Marshall's b c Marble Slab, by Marble Arch—Miss Dix
- P. E. Pope's b f Goldplane, by Merry Moment—Rhodium
- E. A. Price's b f Gwenette, by Marble Arch—Gwenlad
- G. Seifert's b c Yankee Dan, by Bezonian—Miss Birkenhead
- G. Seifert's b c, by Bezonian—Falling Star
- E. Short's br g Parorangi, by Demosthenes—Pellicule
- A. Symes' br f Arati, by King Rufus—Condamine
- J. Twohill's br f, by Marble Arch—Clare

CANTERBURY JOCKEY CLUB.

METROPOLITAN MEETING.

SASANOF WINS NEW ZEALAND CUP.

GLOAMING CAPTURES DERBY.

MICHAELA THE STEWARDS.

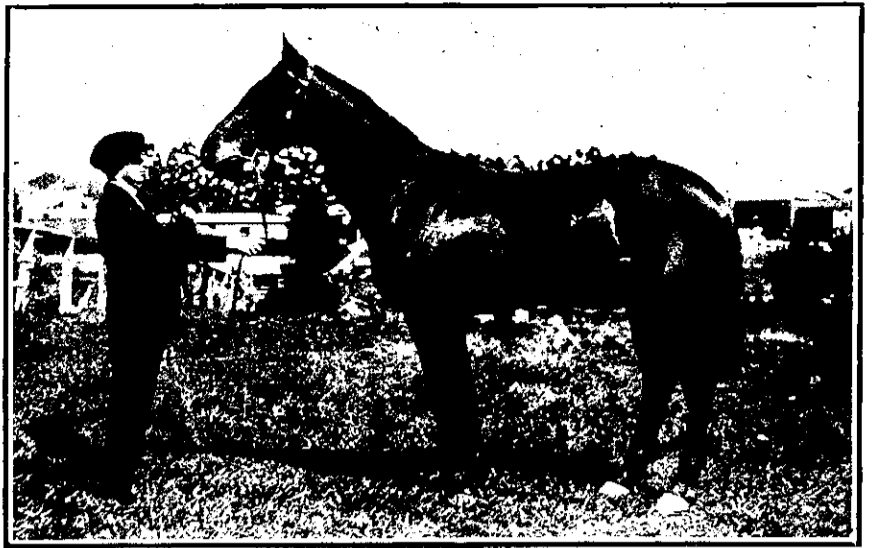
(By Telegraph—Christchurch Correspondent.)

CHRISTCHURCH, Monday. Though threatening, the weather kept fine for the opening day of the Canterbury Jockey Club's metropolitan meeting to-day. There was a good attendance, including visitors from all parts of the Dominion. The course was in excellent order and the racing interesting. The totalisator investments for the afternoon amounted to £48,026, as against £53,106 for the opening day last year.

Despite a couple of faulty jumps Good Hope's superior pace on the flat enabled him to settle Vacuum's pretensions at the finish of the Spring Hurdles. The latter was a strong favourite, and is reported to have been purchased by a southern sportsman just before the race.

Onslaught and Maoha were always well placed in the Spring Plate, while the favourite, Melee, was knocked back last soon after the start. After Algidus and Braid had run themselves out Onslaught took charge, and finishing better than Maoha won a good race by half a length. Karo fell when within two furlongs of the post. Taunaha was supported with the greatest confidence for the Linwood Handicap, and he justified the confidence reposed in him by leading throughout. This fine-looking son of Demosthenes is a greatly-improved galloper, and other good races are sure to come his way.

Sasanof scored one of the easiest Cup wins in the history of the race. All through the first mile the pace was slow, the leading division comprising Mazama, Kilrush, Dusky Eve, Mascot and Battle Song. Then steam was turned on, and half a mile from home Sasanof, who was in tenth position, commenced to thread his way through. Favoured with a lucky run on the rails, the Martian gelding held the issue in safe keeping two furlongs from home, and when the post was reached had four lengths' advantage of Rose Pink. The latter struggled on gamely, while Menelaus and Mas-



A SMART TWO-YEAR-OLD.—Sir Geo. Clifford's br c ROYAL STAG, by Autumnus—Kirriemuir. Trained by H. and A. Cutts.

cot were both putting in good work over the last two furlongs. Kilrush faded out badly under pressure, while Client never got near the leading division.

Surveyor showed that his Wellington form was all wrong by putting down a high-class collection of two-year-olds in the Welcome Stakes. He was always well placed, but was doing his best over the last furlong to stall off a late run by Warplane, who finished very gamely. Royal Stag, the favourite, was unsettled at the post, and got anything but a good passage.

The Derby proved little more than an exercise canter for Gloaming. After indulging Scornful with the lead for five furlongs he cleared out and never gave the opposition a look in. The only interest in the race was provided by a great set-to between Kilmoon and Heathercote for second money. Both were hard ridden all through the last furlong, victory resting with Kilmoon by a neck.

Michaela had a very comfortable win in the Stewards' Handicap, which is not surprising seeing that she cut out the six furlongs in 1min. 11 4-5sec., which is only three-fifths of a second outside Sweet Corn's Australasian record. Good Day and Bo-Peep both put up good performances, while of the others Inah and Parisian Diamond gave the best displays.

The results are:—

SPRING HURDLE HANDICAP of 300 sovs. Two miles.

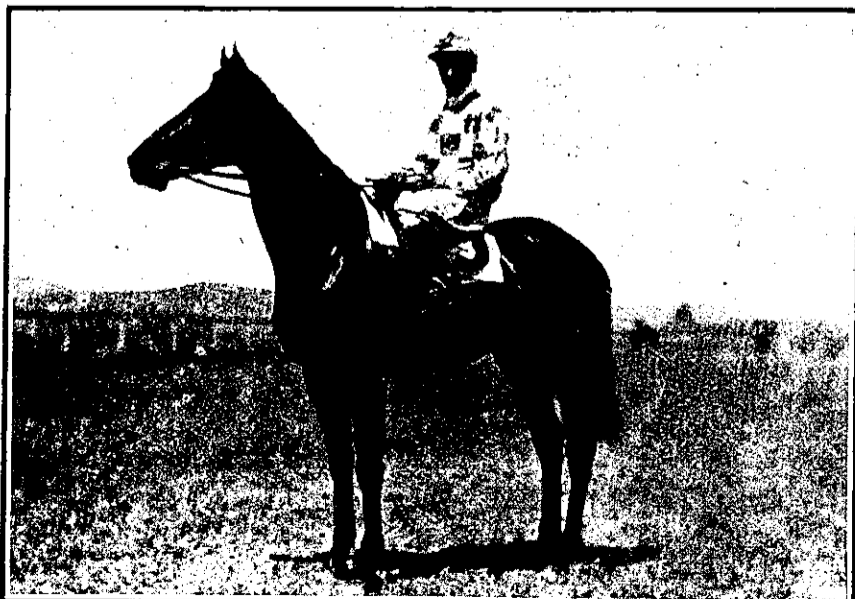
- 3—J. J. Corry's b h Good Hope, 5 yrs, by Cannie Chiel—To-morrow, 9.0
 - 1—Mr. Reprah's blk g Vacuum, 5yrs, 10.11
 - 2—St. Kevin, 10.8
- The only starters.
Won comfortably by a length, the third horse 100 yards away. Time, 3min 49sec.

SPRING PLATE of 400sovs. One mile.

- 2—Sir Geo. Clifford's b g Onslaught, 3yrs, by Antagonist—Mad Whirl, 7.4 (G. Young)
 - 3—Executors late W. J. Douglas' ch h Maoha, 7.7
 - 7—S. Liddell's b m Sabine, 7.11
- Also started: 6 Royal Star 7.13, 10 Warform 7.13, 3 Cooling 7.11, 11 Active 7.7, 5 Algidus 7.7, 14 Matatua 7.4, 1 Melee 7.7, 9 Bonville 7.4, 4 Braid 7.2, 11 Karo 7.2, 13 Moutoa Ivanova 7.2.
Karo fell in the straight. Won by a neck, three lengths between second and third. Moutoa Ivanova was fourth. Time, 1min 41 1-5sec.

LINWOOD HANDICAP of 200sovs. Seven furlongs.

- 1—W. Richmond's br c Taunaha, 3 yrs, by Demosthenes—Mangaroa,



LAST YEAR'S NEW ZEALAND CUP WINNER WHO RAN THIRD IN MONDAY'S BIG TWO-MILE EVENT AT RICcarton.—Messrs. V. and E. Riddiford's b g MENELAUS, 5yrs., by Martian—Lovelorn. A. Reed in saddle. Trained by J. Lowe.

- 8.5, inc. 10lb pen. (R. Reed) ... 1
 - 10—Donellan and Shanahan's br g Claverhouse, 7.6
 - 7—Hodson Steele's b f Spyglass, 7.10 3
- Also started: 4 Oratress 8.4, 6 Sleepy Head 7.10, 3 Red Pool 7.10, inc. 10lb pen., 2 Moorabbe 7.9 and The Sapper 7.0 (coupled), 13 Missouri 7.3, 5 Killey 7.3, 18 Bombproof 7.3, Larissa 7.3, 12 Wild Night 7.3, 16 Indus 7.3, 14 Love Match, 17 Arihia 7.0, 19 Sisyphus 7.0, 11 Belle Noir 7.0, 16 Bondage 7.0, 9 First Salute 7.0.

Won all the way, Claverhouse being two lengths away second, with Spyglass a similar distance away third. Time, 1min 28 3-5sec.

NEW ZEALAND CUP of 2000sovs. Two miles.

- 2—W. G. Stead's br g Sasanof, 5yrs, by Martian—Ukraine, 8.9 (Gray) 1
- 4—H. Whitney's br m Rose Pink, 5yrs, by Kilbroney—Rose Mad-rider, 6.11 (H. Young)
- 1—V. and E. Riddiford's b g Menelaus, 5yrs, by Martian—Lovelorn, 8.11 (A. Reed)

Also started: 13 Client 9.1, 11 Margerine 8.2, 6 Volo 7.13, 3 Snub 7.11, 12 Rorke's Drift 7.8, 8 Cynic 7.2, 10 Devotion 7.2, 1 Mascot 7.2 (bracketed with Menelaus), 7 Detroit 7.0, 17 Tressida 6.11, 14 Dusky Eve 6.7, 5 Kilrush 6.7, 9 Battle Song 6.7, 15 Mazama 6.7, 16 Risingham 6.7.

Kilrush and Dusky Eve were the first to show out, but on passing the stand Mazama, Mascot, Dusky Eve and Kilrush was the order, with Battle Song unning last. Rorke's Drift moved up at Cutts', and along the back of the course Menelaus improved his position. Half a mile from home Kilrush and Rorke's Drift were in front, with Sasanof and Rose Pink close up. A furlong from the post Sasanof got through on the rails, and won comfortably by three lengths from Rose Pink, who was half a length in front of Menelaus. Mascot was fourth. Time, 3min 27 4-5sec.

WELCOME STAKES of 1000sovs. For two-year-olds. Four furlongs.

- 2—G. L. Stead's ch c Surveyor, by Nassau—Pedometer, 8.5 (C. Emerson)
- 2—J. Goring Johnston's b c Warplane, by Demosthenes—Rangiao, 8.5
- 5—A. McDonald's b c Affection, by Kilbroney—Simpser, 8.5

Also started: 13 Stammer 8.5, 9 Margery 8.0, 12 Missgold 8.0, 7 Crenides 8.5, 11 Solace 8.0, 8 Solfanello 8.5 and Chaerona 8.0 (bracketed), 1 Royal Stag 8.5, 4 Amythas 8.5, 15 Arch Salute 8.5, 5 Murihiku 8.0 (bracketed with Affection), 14 Sycorax 8.0, 6 Bitholia 8.5, 2 Ermine 8.0 (coupled with Warplane), 10 Link Up 8.0.

Royal Stag played up at the start and got badly away. Affection was the quickest to begin, and led to the distance. Under punishment Surveyor got up in time to beat Warplane by a neck. Affection being a long neck away third, with Amythas fourth. Time, 48sec.

NEW ZEALAND DERBY STAKES of 1500sovs. For three-year-olds. One mile and a-half.

- 1—G. D. Greenwood's b g Gloaming, by The Welkin—Light, 8.10 (B. Deeley)
- 2—G. L. Stead's b c Kilmoon, by Kilbroney—St. Sophia, 8.10 (C. Emerson)
- 3—Sir Geo. Clifford's ch g Heathercote, by Boniform—Heatherbrae, 8.10 (H. Young)

Also started: 1 Afterglow 8.5 (coupled with Gloaming), 3 Scornful 8.10. Scornful showed out for half a mile, and Gloaming then went to the front, winning hard held by three lengths. In a great race for second place Kilmoon beat Heathercote by a head. Time, 2min 37 2-5sec.

STEWARDS' HANDICAP of 1500sovs. Six furlongs.

- 6—J. Todd's b m Michaela, 4yrs, by Rokeby—Jessie Lewards, 7.2 (C. Emerson)
- 10—W. G. Stead's b g Good Day, 4yrs, by Boniform—Sunlight, 6.12 (R. Bagby)
- 8—W. E. Herbert's b f Bo-Peep, 3 yrs, by Bezonian—Shepherdess, 7.3 (Manson)

Also started: 3 Croesus 9.9, 7 Hymestra 9.6 and Nanna 8.1 (bracketed), 1 Parisian Diamond 9.3, 5 Nystad 8.9 and Birkenvale 7.9 (bracketed), 13 Acre 8.9, 11 Inah 7.7, 2 Wrestler 7.11, 9 Kilboyne 7.10, 15 Demagogue 7.10, 4 Mortham 7.2, 12 Glorify 6.13, 17 Marsa 6.7, 16 Tremena 6.7, 14 Damien 6.7.

From a perfect start the field were in line for a furlong. Inah led a bunched field into the straight. Two furlongs from home Michaela took charge and won with ease by three lengths, a length between second and third. Inah was fourth. Time, 1min 11 4-5sec.

Mr. W. G. Stead, the owner of Good Day, complained of Bagby's riding of the gelding, but the stewards, after inquiry, took no action.

RICCARTON WELTER HANDICAP of 400sovs. One mile.

- 1—J. B. Reid's b f Punka, 3yrs, by Cooltrim—Drowsy, 8.12 (B. Deeley)
2—H. Friedlander's ch g Sedd-el-Bahr, 9.10
4—Sir Geo. Clifford's blk c Sir Fanciful, 8.0
Also started: 3 John Barleycorn 9.11, 2 Linden 8.13 (bracketed with Sedd-el-Bahr), 7 King Star 8.7, 6 Matty 8.4, 5 Achilles 8.0.

NORTH CANTERBURY AND OXFORD JOCKEY CLUB.

ANNUAL MEETING.

MAJESTIKOFF WINS RANGIORA CUP.

The annual meeting of the North Canterbury and Oxford Jockey Club proved an unqualified success, being well patronised by turf enthusiasts, among those who made the trip to the Rangiora racecourse being a large contingent of Christchurch visitors.

The ex-Karamu jumper, Hylans, was always in big demand on the machine for the Jumpers' Flat Handicap, and after being kept in a handy position throughout by W. Bush he held Achilles and Vascular safely in the run to the post, winning comfortably by a length.

Red Pool, a four-year-old gelding by All Red—Whirlpool was the best fancied of the septette which faced the starter in the Trial Plate, Nautiboy being next in demand.

The Rangiora Cup attracted a quintette of starters, the Annie Chiel—Counterfeit filly, Subterfuge, being made a better favourite than Majestikoff, Warform being third choice.

The big field of 21 started in the View Hill Handicap Trot, in which Mara and Silver Nut monopolised the betting.

Nine faced the starter in the Oxford Hack Handicap, Bondage, Nautiboy (who was making his second appearance) and Bomb being most in request on the totalisator.

The New Zealand Cup candidate, Kilrush, who had been galloping brilliantly at Riccarton, was installed a warm favourite in a one-dividend field for the Welter Handicap.

Derby Day let his backers down in the Flying Handicap, in which he was sent out favourite, the best he could do being to finish in third position.

Eddie Day was the prime selection for the Ashley Trot Handicap, in which the second favourite, Carol, registered a somewhat easy win by three lengths from Silver Nut.

JUMPERS' FLAT HANDICAP of 80 sovs. One mile and a-quarter. 1—F. Fulton's b g Hylans, 5yrs, by Hymettus—Temerity, 10.6 (W. Bush)
2—F. S. Rutherford's ch g Achilles, aged, 10.13 (L. Hagerty)
3—W. B. Clarkson's br g Vascular, aged, 10.5 (F. Ellis)

TRIAL PLATE of 80sovs. Five furlongs. 1—H. Cassidy's ch g Red Pool, by All Red—Whirlpool, 4yrs, 9.0 (L. Hagerty)
5—J. A. Holmes' ch g Immense, 3 yrs, 8.0 (T. L. Reid)
2—M. F. Ryan's b g Nautiboy, 4yrs, 9.0 (A. Trillford)

Also started: 4 Once More 9.0 (F. Ellis), 3 Red Cent 9.0 (F. Porter), 7 Follisco 8.0 (D. Cotton), 6 Greek Son 8.0 (H. Donovan).

RANGIORA CUP HANDICAP of 200 sovs. One mile.

- 2—H. A. Knight's b m Majestikoff, by Delaware—Lady Majestic, 6 yrs, 8.4 (F. Ellis)
3—R. J. Taylor's (Junn.) b g Warform, aged, 7.6 (E. Ludlow)
4—W. A. Nicholls' br m Tremena, 5yrs, 7.12 (D. Cotton)
Also started: 1 Subterfuge 8.2 (F. Porter), 5 Matty 7.9 (F. L. Reid)

VIEW HILL HANDICAP TROT (Harness) of 100sovs. Two miles.

- 2—W. R. L. Pascoe's ch g Silver Nut, by Wildwood Junr.—Gingerhut, 4yrs, 25sec (Owner)
1—G. L. and E. Rutherford's b m Mara, 4yrs, 25sec (W. Thomas)
2—M. Kennington's b g Citadel, 4 yrs, 25sec (R. Dunn)
Also started: 9 Energy 7sec, 16 King Lear 13sec, 11 Irwin 15sec, 7 Pegasus 17sec, 8 Lunsdale 19sec, 10 Look Out 19sec, 6 Foxhill 21sec, 12 Koraki 22sec, 15 Marietta 22sec, 13 Micky Marr 23

FLYING HANDICAP of 140sovs. Five furlongs.

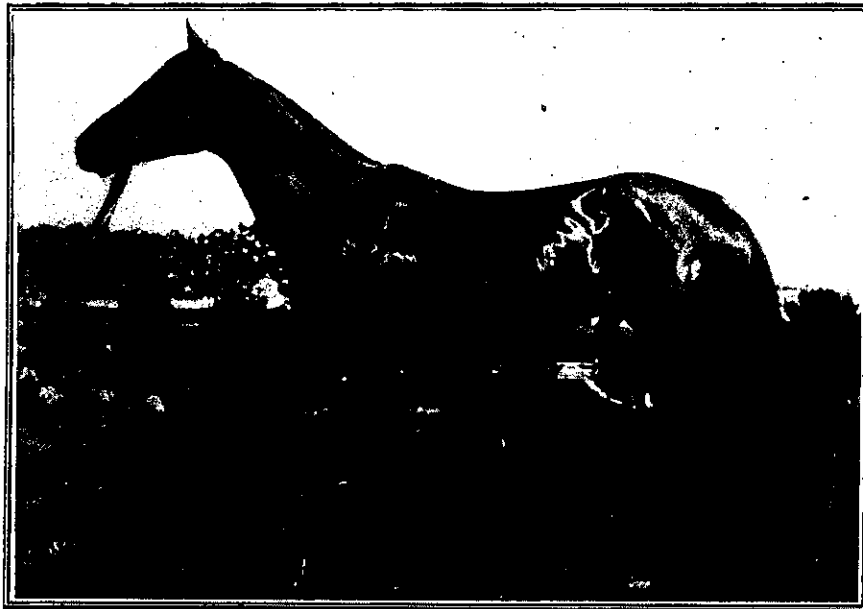
- 3—E. Griffin's b g Thestius, by Martian—Lady Lillian, 5yrs, 7.8 (A. Griffin)
4—W. A. Nicholls' ch f Canamana, 3yrs, 7.7 (D. Cotton)
1—R. T. Neale's ch g Derby Day, aged, 8.1 (N. Shore)
Also started: 2 Pyjama 9.0 (F. C. Porter), 6 Oxenhope 8.11 (F. Ellis), 5 Bomb 8.0 (T. L. Reid)

ASHLEY TROT HANDICAP (Saddle) of 90sovs. One mile and a-half.

- 2—G. Head's b m Carol, by Sir William—Baltimore mare, 6yrs, 12 sec (F. Gray)
9—W. R. L. Pascoe's ch g Silver Nut, 4yrs, 9sec, 4sec. penalty (Owner)
1—H. Kennedy's b m Eddie Mac, 6yrs, 9sec (A. Butterfield)
Also started: 7 Energy scratch, 13 Tirana 2sec, 17 Irwin 6sec, 11 Dandy Jack 6sec, 6 Lunsdale 8sec, 10 Arcadian 11sec, 13 Micky Marr 12sec, 18 Conscript 12sec, 4 Mopey 12sec, 8 Merry Thorpe 12sec, 16 Princess Drift 12sec, 3 Mara 13sec, 15 Tinkle Bells 13sec, 12 Wild Thorpe 13sec, 5 Major Wilkes 13sec



AN EX-NEW ZEALAND MARE WHO HAS FIGURED IN LEADING EVENTS DECIDED DURING THE SPRING RACING CARNIVALS AT RANDWICK.—Mr. B. H. Richards' br m BEE, aged, by Martian—Lady Dsain. Trained by P. Nolan at Randwick.



The 1918 Dunedin Guineas winner.—Sir G. Clifford's b c LONG RANGE, by Antagonist—Telescope

sec. 5 Merry Thorpe 23sec, 15 Peggy Pryde 23sec, 1 Princess Drift 23sec (coupled with Mara), 4 Major Wilkes 25sec and Lady Ruby 25sec (coupled), 3 Rewanui 25sec and Sweet Kathleen 25sec (coupled), 14 Bellzac 25sec.

OXFORD HACK HANDICAP of 80sovs. Six furlongs.

- 4—E. H. Davis' b m Rosevear, by Gazeley—Yankee Mary, 5yrs, 8.8 (L. Hagerty)
6—Donellan and Shanahan's br g Claverhouse, 4yrs, 8.2 (Moran)
5—R. E. Hall's ch m Missouri, 4yrs, 8.1 (E. Ludlow)
Also started: 8 Jingo 9.2 (F. Ellis), 3 Bomb 8.8 (F. Gray), 1 Bondage 7.8 (D. Cotton), 7 Red Cent 7.7 (Shore), 9 Camarine 7.0 (Griffin), 2 Nautiboy 7.0 (F. L. Reid)

WELTER HANDICAP of 90sovs. Six furlongs.

- 1—A. W. Rutherford's (Junn.) b g Kilrush, by Kilbroney—Prank, 4yrs, 10.8 (F. Gray)
2—R. C. Gillies' b g Bellshire, aged, 9.7 (A. Trillford)
4—F. Calvert's b g King Star, aged, 9.10 (F. Ellis)
Also started: 6 Kaminoh 9.0 (H. Donovan), 3 Sisyphus 8.0 (F. Ellis), 5 Hylem 8.0 (F. Woods)

GORE RACING CLUB.

SPRING MEETING.

OPENING DAY.

Beautiful weather prevailed for the opening day of the Gore Racing Club's spring meeting, and the attendance was well up to the average. The track conditions were most favourable, and with good fields engaged the racing proved exceedingly interesting.

DISTRICT HACK HANDICAP of 70 sovs. Six furlongs.

- 7—R. Miller's b g Admiral Talbot, by Vice-Admiral—Lady Talbot, 4yrs, 8.4 (W. Robinson)
2—H. Cunningham's br f Matilda, 4 yrs, 8.3 (A. P. Horne)
5—W. Couser's b m Clothilde, 4yrs, 8.7, 5lb allow. (F. McKay)

Also started: 1 Cannot 9.0 (J. Wallis), 3 Good Start 8.7 (A. Lloyd), 3 Red Admiral 8.4 (J. Pankhurst), 6 Marching Order 8.4 (A. McKay), 11 Pallah 8.4 (J. Tilson), 9 Pleasure Form 8.4 (C. W. France), 4 Mirza 8.4 (R. McLellan), 10 Typiste 8.4 (T. O'Connell), 8 Deu-Pallion 8.4 (R. C. Reed)

OTAMA TROT (Harness) of 100sovs. One mile and a-half.

- 1—A. Jopp's b m Jane Wilkes, by Harold Wilkes—Lauderdale mare, 5yrs, 84yds behind (Jones)
2—W. N. Wilson's ch g Maty's Boy, 4yrs, 84yds behind (Owner)
8—T. A. White's b g Dandy Chimes, aged, 144yds behind (Perriam)
Also started: 4 Pet Child limit, 5 Koaheni limit, 3 Wallroon limit, 10 Pearl Chimes limit, 9 Minimax 84yds behind, 7 Barooga, 120yds behind 6 Gladiola 120yds behind

WAIKAKA HANDICAP of 175sovs. One mile and a distance.

- 3—"R. Rewcastle's" br m Marianne, by Keniworth—Ruenalf's Daughter, 5yrs, 7.3 (R. McLellan)
2—P. A. Price's b g Tin Soldier, 5 yrs, 7.0 (I. Tilson)
1—J. Chapman's ch g Achilles aged, 7.8 (R. C. Reed)
Also started: 4 Awahou 8.3 (S. Wallis)

DOMINION HACK HANDICAP of 80 sovs. Six furlongs.

- 5—D. Morton's ch g Aycliffe, by Rokeby—Mosca, 5yrs, 8.5 (C. W. France)
2—R. McKay's ch g Radial, 4yrs, 9.0 (A. McMullan)
4—W. Stone's b g Kilkee, 5yrs, 8.5 (S. Walls)
Also started: 1 Red River 8.0 (F. Ellis), 9 Revolution, car. 7.13 1/2 (A. McDonald), 8 Glenwood 7.11 (R. McLellan), 3 Lady Edith 7.5 (A. Wilson), 6 Moneymusk 7.3 (R. C. Reed), 7 Placid 6.12, 5lb allow. (C. Rask), 12 Bonally 7.1 (A. Lloyd), 11 Calma 7.1 (I. Tilson), Cattach car. 6.13 1/2

BALFOUR TROT HANDICAP (Saddle) of 90sovs. One mile and a-half.

- 2—T. A. White's b g Dandy Chimes, by Four Chimes—Kentucky mare, aged, 180yds behind (W. Christie)
5—W. N. Wilson's ch g Moonglow, 5yrs, 12yds behind (McMullan)
3—McLeod and Pollock's ch g War Scot, 5yrs, 12yds behind (Pollock)
Also started: 6 Exmoor limit, 1 Mooney 12yds behind, 4 Koaheni 36yds behind, 7 Pet Child 36yds behind

WANTWOOD STEEPLECHASE of 110 sovs. About two miles and a-half.

- 4—P. J. Boyle's b g Silverspire, by Quicksilver—Minaret, 6yrs, 9.12 (O. Reed)
1—W. J. Kelly's b g Chappal Moh, aged, 10.5 (W. Griffiths)
5—J. South's blk g Rolling Tide, aged, 9.13 (A. McMullan)
Also started: 2 Palladio 10.9 (J. R. Kaan), 6 Prairie Fire 10.5 (F. Langford), 3 Dardanelles 9.7 (Humphries), 7 Glengirl 9.7 (T. O'Connell)

STEWARDS' HANDICAP of 115sovs. Six furlongs.

- 1—W. Robertson's b g Palamon, by Pallas—Shawnee, 5yrs, 7.12 (R. C. Reed)
6—"S. Carey's" b g Glensponse, aged, 8.2 (R. McLellan)
3—J. Ellis' b g Benefit, 6yrs, 7.11 (R. Ellis)
Also started: 4 Golden King 8.5 (W. Robinson), 2 Kauwhero 8.2 (C. France), 5 Bon car. 7.4 (C. Rask)

CHARLTON HANDICAP of 120sovs. Seven furlongs.

- 1—J. Hymers' b g Kilbrogan, by Kilbroney—Showano, 5yrs, 8.12 (W. Anderson)
3—F. and T. Trail's b g Jock, 6yrs, 7.7 (R. McLellan)
4—W. Bunt's br g Don Pacifico, 5yrs, 8.9 (R. C. Reed)
Also started: 2 Golden Prince 8.8 (S. Walls)

SECOND DAY.

TIN SOLDIER WINS SPRING HANDICAP.

The weather was again perfect for the concluding day of the meeting, and visitors from Otago, Canterbury and Southland attended in strong force, being rewarded with some fine racing, the finishes being of a keen and exciting character.

SECOND DISTRICT HANDICAP of 70sovs. Seven furlongs.

- 1—R. Miller's Admiral Talbot, by Vice-Admiral—Lady Talbot, 4 yrs, 9.0 (W. Robinson)
3—Mr. Miller's Turton, 8.4 (Wallis)
2—H. Cunningham's Matilda, 8.6 (A. E. Horne)
Also started: 4 Clothide 8.2, 7 First Officer 8.7, 5 Good Start 8.3 and Red Admiral 8.0 (coupled), 6 Marching Order 8.2, 8 Pleasure Form 7.12

tween second and third. Time, 1min 13 2-5sec.

MATAURA TROT (Harness) of 110 sovs. Two miles.

- 3—R. Bromby's Wallroon, by Wallace L.—Octoroon, 4yrs, scratch (Owner) 1
 2—A. Haugh's Black Yet, 108yds behind (W. Jones) 2
 1—A. J. Scott's Dora Derby, 84yds behind (J. Paget) 3

Also started: 9 St. Michael scratch, 8 Lucky Prince 72yds behind, 4 Wallacetown 96yds behind, 6 Matty's Boy 16yds behind, 7 Dandy Chimes 204yds behind.

Won by half a length, 100 yards between second and third. Time, 4min 56 2-5sec.

SPRING HANDICAP of 210sovs. One mile and a-quarter.

- 3—Private Price's Tin Soldier, by Calibre—Tinwald Beauty, 5yrs, 7.5 (J. Tilson) 1
 2—G. J. Emslie's Gunrest, 8.10 (A. McKay) 2
 1—W. Buntin's Don Pacifico, 8.4 (R. C. Reed) 3

Also started: 5 Awahou 7.13, 4 Achilles 7.10.
 Won by a short neck, six lengths between second and third. Time, 2min 10sec.

WAIMEA HACK HANDICAP of 80sovs. Six furlongs.

- 1—Mrs. J. Ellis' Benefit, by Beneform—Invicta, 6yrs, 8.10 (R. Ellis) 1
 3—W. Stone's Kilkee, 8.5 (S. Walls) 2
 2—D. Morton's Aycliffe, 9.4 (France) 3

Also started: 4 Red River 7.3, 9 Glenwood 7.10, 8 Revolution car. 7.12 1/2, 5 Lady Edith 7.5, 7 Cannot 7.4, 6 Money-musk 7.2, 9 Bonally car. 7.4 1/2.

Won by a neck, a head between second and third. Time, 1min 16sec.

LABOUR DAY TROT (Saddle) of 85 sovs. One mile.

- 4—J. Armstrong's Koeheni, by Proud Child—Young Irvington mare, 6yrs, 12yds bhd. (Owner) 1
 2—F. O'Connor's Gladfield, 24yds behind (J. C. Paget) 2
 1—E. Calman's Biddy Tracey, 12yds behind (W. Jones) 3

Also started: 5 Baritone scratch, 3 Pet Child 12yds behind, 6 Hinemoa 84 yds behind, 8 Arbiter 120yds behind.

Won by 60 yards, a head separating second and third. Time, 2min 23sec.

EASTERN STEEPLECHASE of 125sovs. About two miles and three-quarters.

- 2—W. J. Kelly's Glenhorpe, by Glenapp, aged, 10.5 (Griffiths) 1
 4—P. J. Boyle's Silverspire, 10.12 (O. Reed) 2
 5—W. Cairna's Prairie Fire, 10.3 (F. Langford) 3

Also started: 1 Palladio 10.7, 3 Rolling Tide 9.13.

Rolling Tide fell. Won by half a dozen lengths, 100 yards between second and third. Time, 5min 40 4-5sec.

FLYING HANDICAP of 130sovs. Six furlongs.

- 3—Mrs. J. Ellis' Benefit, 8.4, inc. 5lb pen. (R. Ellis) 1
 6—A. Chisholm's Bon, 7.9 (C. Rask) 2
 4—D. Morton's Kauwhero, 7.13 (S. Walls) 3

Also started: 2 Radial 8.7, 5 Golden Prince 7.10, 1 Glensponse 8.7.

Won by a neck, a head between second and third. Time, 1min 16sec.

MURIKU HANDICAP of 130sovs. One mile.

- 1—R. Newcastle's Marianne, by Kenilworth—Ruenalf's Daughter, 5 yrs, 8.1 (R. McLellan) 1
 2—D. Morton's Aycliffe, 8.12 (Walls) 2
 3—C. and T. Trail's Jock, 7.7 (J. Wallis) 3

The only starters.
 Won by two lengths, three lengths between second and third. Time, 1min 44 2-5sec.

HANDICAPS.

ASHHURST-POHANGINA RACING CLUB.

ANNUAL GATHERING.

The following handicaps have been declared for the Ashhurst-Pohangina Racing Club's annual meeting, which takes place on November 20. Acceptances for all events close on Saturday next, November 9, at 9 p.m., and owners should note that the telegraph office at Ashhurst closes at 5 p.m.:

HACK HURDLES, one mile and a-half.—Vacuum 11.3, Miss Sation 10.13, Lord Ainslie 10.13, Starengo 10.9, Tangihou 10.4, Kurapai 10.1, Otara 10.0, Polthogue 9.11, Rio 9.11, Whiro 9.10, Toddy 9.5, Turpenite 9.4, Yarilla 9.3, First Line 9.3, Warmth 9.3, Strangeways 9.3, White Stockings 9.3, Master Webb 9.3, Rising Tide 9.3, De Geur 9.3, Ta Ta 9.3, Wakaruku 9.3.

POHANGINA HANDICAP, six furlongs.—Crowhurst 9.0, Hydrus 8.6, Comment 8.1, Astor 8.1, Starengo 8.1, Multaine 7.13, Rawakore 7.10, Jean Laddo 7.8, Sardinia 7.5, Speaker 6.7.

HACK HANDICAP, six furlongs.—Engari 9.0, Namur 8.8, Gold Problem 8.2, Occasion 8.1, Vladieau 8.1, Idle Talk 8.1, Pomeroy 8.1, Philomela 8.1, Warmaid 7.13, Toddy 7.12, Beaufort 7.9, Livland 7.9, Belle o' the Camp 7.7, Orateur 7.7, March On 7.7, Red Signal 7.7, Missland 7.7, Preface 7.7, Admiration 7.7, Beloved 7.7.

ASHHURST CUP, one mile and a-quarter.—Rose Pink 9.0, Orleans 8.9, Multaine 7.13, Henry Clay 7.13, Wapping 7.12, Kiltess 7.9, Haumakaka 7.7, Ladify 7.3, Alteration 7.2, Classification 7.1, Roumania 7.0, Upshot 6.7.

MANAWATU GORGE HANDICAP, one mile.—Classification 9.0, Quinn's Post 8.3, Namur 8.3, Rio 8.3, Signorella 8.2, Mystified 7.10, Pomeroy 7.10, Arihia 7.9, War Scot 7.9, Transmission 7.9, Raitand 7.7.

KOMAKO HACK WELTER, seven furlongs.—Mamac 9.2, Quinn's Post 8.9, Namur 8.9, Blue Gown 8.3, Ahika 8.7, Mystified 8.2, Vladieau 8.2, Idle Talk 8.2, Pomeroy 8.2, Transmission 8.1, La Pucelle 7.13, Raitand 7.13, Sonnino 7.11, Khatmandu 7.7, Orateur 7.7, Ulsterman 7.7, Good Defence 7.7, Romance 7.7.

RAUMAC WELTER, seven furlongs.—Hydrus 9.6, Orleans 9.1, Comment 9.0, Square Deal 8.13, Wapping 8.9, Kiltess 8.7, Bronk Delaval 8.7, Tangihou 8.6, Hastie 8.6, Haumakaka 8.5, Ladify 8.1, Alteration 8.0, Bainsdale 7.13, Roumania 7.12, Lord Ainslie 7.7, The Speaker 7.7.

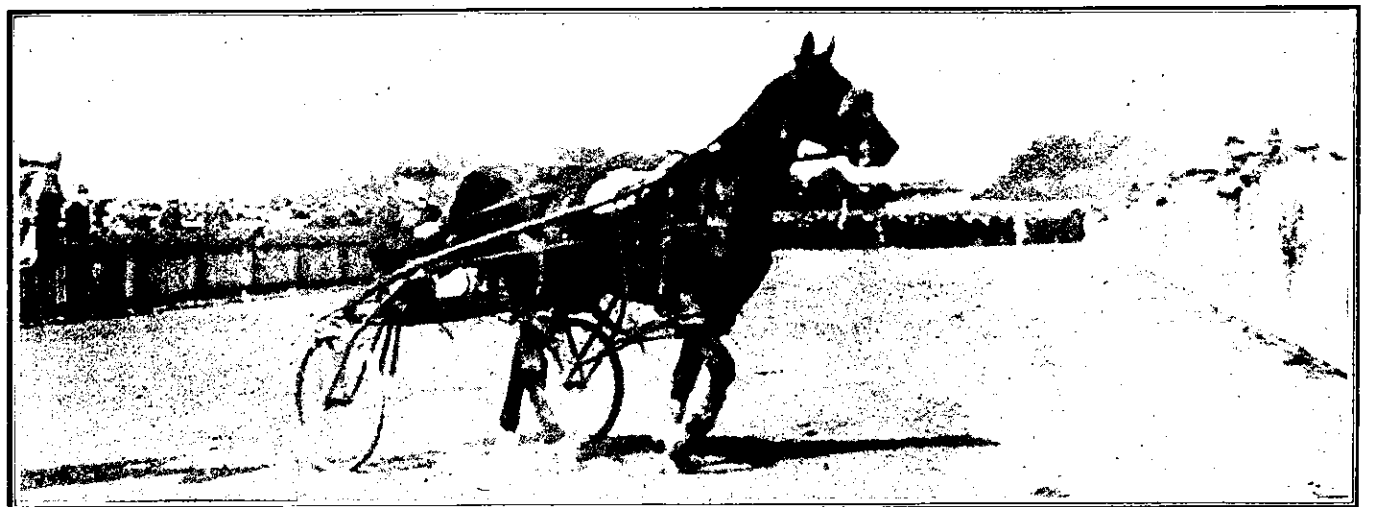
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MR. H. H. HAYR, SECRETARY OF THE AVONDALE JOCKEY CLUB.



MR. H. COYLE, HANDICAPPER TO THE AVONDALE JOCKEY CLUB.



ORUARANGI (J. Paul), after his victory in the Tamaki Handicap (two miles) at the Otahuhu Trotting Club's spring meeting.

TROTTING.

AUCKLAND TROTTING CLUB.

GREAT NORTHERN DERBY.

The following is a list of the acceptances for the Great Northern Trotting Derby, which is to be decided at the Auckland Trotting Club's meeting at Alexandra Park on December 27:—

- J. R. Blackie's br g, by Wildwood Junr.—Bellbird
 J. Bryce's ch c High Admiral, by Wildwood Junr.—Jenny Lind
 J. R. Corrigan's b g, by Ravenschild—Lady Clare
 J. R. Corrigan's br f, by Charming Lad—Belle Symes
 Corrigan and Pringle's blk c, by Van Coronado—Runaway
 T. Cunningham's b f Spearmint, by Normintson—Vibrona
 F. V. Cutts' b m Temple, by Gold Bell—Miss Dulce
 Mabel Duncan's b f Theda Bara, by Van Coronado—Novice
 M. Edwards' b g Mykot, by O.Y.M.—Te Kuini
 A. Fleming's b g, by Havoc—Lady Sybil
 E. E. Queen's b g Locanda Junior, by Brent Locanda—Rothschild mare
 Mr. Jarden's blk f Marie Tempest, by Van Coronado—Marie Narella
 W. Kerr's b c, by Wildwood Junr.—Gertie
 W. Kerr's blk g, by Wildwood Junr.—Sybil
 W. Kerr's blk g, by Wildwood Junr.—Lady Don
 J. Goldy's b f Coal Light, by Coal King—Arclight
 W. A. Dundell's dk b g, by Wildwood Junr.—Sirrah J.
 A. Pringle's blk f Frances Derby, by Van Coronado—Lady Derby
 Geo. Paton's br g All Bell, by Gold Bell—Agneta
 J. Lynch's b m Queen Pirate, by Normintson—Pirate mare
 W. H. Robins' b g Locanda Dillon, by Brent Locanda—Ivy Dillon

SETTLING UP CAULFIELD CUP WAGERS.

At the Caulfield Cup settling ringmen paid out big sums to backers of King Offa (says a Melbourne correspondent). The ring sustained a big loss. Some of the bookmakers put it down as one of the biggest for many years. One who is intimate with the bookmakers and their operations says King Offa's success took something like £40,000 out of the ring. The horse was consistently backed from 50 to 1 to 6 to 4, and at the latter price several bookmakers began covering their liabilities, expecting him to start at even money. One of these put £3000 on him at 6 to 4.

Those who did this were fortunate, for the books who delayed backing him were put off by the reports concerning him on the Friday, and in the expectation that King Offa was not a sound horse, decided to stand their full liability. This made the loss to the ring bigger.

A bookmaker with an extensive business in Melbourne and Sydney who did the stable commission for King Offa won a fair-sized fortune on the race, and apart from the owners many Stock Exchange members here were heavy winners.

Mr. S. R. Bloomfield, who represents the owners in Australia, put his friends on Change in at a long price, and when he went to business after the race his arrival was greeted by cheering, which lasted quite ten minutes. The money won made it a popular victory for the bulls and bears.

Finmark was heavily backed both for the V.R.C. Derby and the Melbourne Cup. One of the wagers made a fortnight previous to the meeting consisted of backing the New Zealander to win £1000 in the Derby and £6000 in the Melbourne Cup.

Sir Ralph, who finished third in the Avondale Cup with 6.9 1/2 to Chortle (9.9). He is by Rokeby from the Stepniak mare Rose Red, and may prove a better horse this year than heretofore.

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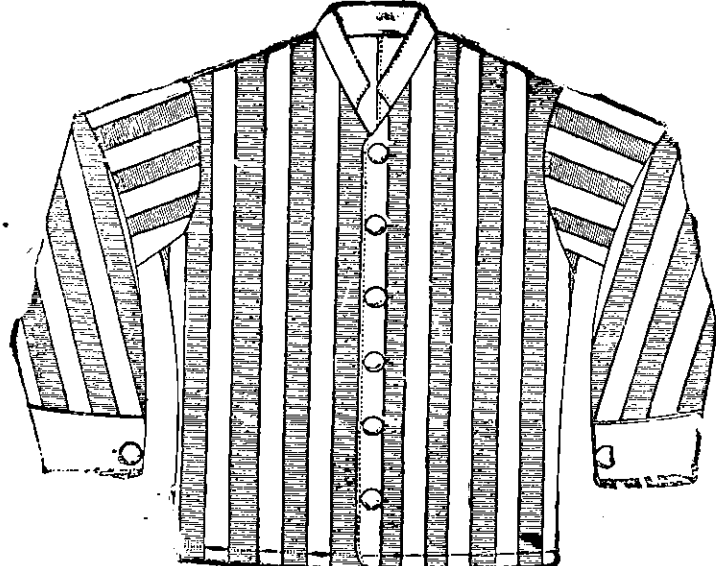
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During a run through the Manawatu last week a "Review" representative made a call at the Moutoa Estate, near Foxton, the cosy homestead of Mr. F. S. Easton, who has been prominently before the racing public for a number of years. Mr. Easton is known as the owner of the champion steeplechaser, Master Strowan, who at the time of our representative's visit was seen feeding in company with a large number of purebred Shorthorn cattle in one of the many fattening paddocks on the Moutoa Estate. The champion looked in splendid fettle, and appeared to be enjoying his spell from activity which his owner does not begrudge him.

Proceeding to an adjoining paddock the writer beheld Lady Moutoa, who won the Hawke's Bay Cup in 1913, the Foxton Cup and many other important races, with a splendid filly foal by All Red running with her. The youngster is a real beauty, and being nicely framed and coming from such a capital galloping strain she should certainly acquit herself with distinction when called upon to make her debut in the racing world.

Leaving by motor car from Mr. Easton's homestead, a halt was made at "Moutoa Lodge," where the various horses in training are quartered under D. McCauley's guidance. The many loose-boxes, feed, harness and other rooms were all a model of cleanliness, bearing testimony to the thoroughness with which McCauley attends to all the details connected with the place.

The first equine to be led out for inspection was Master Moutoa, who looked big and lusty after a sojourn in one of the best bullock paddocks on the estate. The gelding has filled out considerably since he last raced, it being clearly apparent that a well-earned rest has proved very beneficial. The son of Sarto—Branda can be depended upon to carry the sky-blue and black hoops to advantage during the present season.

Gang Awa, carrying some condition and looking very fit, has just been placed into training. The black fellow, who was considered unlucky on several occasions last season, should do better during the present season.

A three-year-old filly by Advance from Cecile, the latter being remembered as the dam of Lady Moutoa, gave the writer the impression of turning out a top-notch. She is built on solid lines, with a capital set of legs, and should undoubtedly take a prominent part in racing matters in the near future.

A rare cut of a jumper in a three-year-old gelding by Gold Crest from Branda was the next to come under review. This gelding, which is a dark bay in colour, is very solidly put together, and already has demonstrated his ability to jump. Mr. Easton does not place much faith in the Gold Crest breed, but the one under notice is expected to prove an exception to the general rule.

An adjoining box was occupied by a promising type of a steeplechaser in a five-year-old gelding by Gold Crest from a Sou'-wester mare, who is unmistakably the makings of a typical cross-country performer. This intended bearer of Mr. Easton's colours should certainly make his presence felt when the time arrives for him to carry silk. He is, as a matter of fact, one of the best-tempered horses that Mr. Easton has ever had through his hands.

A number of other horses owned by Mr. Easton, namely, Moutoa Queen, Moutoa Camp, Moutoa Ivanova, and Amythas, are being trained by F. Tilley at Fordell.

The Foxton team is certainly being well tended, and with ordinary luck McCauley should be leading in a few winners during the present season.

Mr. Easton occupies a prominent position among the leading owners in New Zealand, his straightgoing qualities having gained him wide popularity with the racing public. He clearly recognises that the sport is mainly dependent upon the measure of support accorded it by the public, whose interests must receive due consideration. He is most anxious that the public shall suffer no injustice as the result of the running of his horses, and anybody who knows the Moutoa sportsman's integrity and honesty in these matters will appreciate his determination to give the rac-

ing public of New Zealand a good and honest run for their money whenever his horses are concerned.

Mr. Easton won over £3000 in stakes last season, and it is safe to prophesy that at the end of the present racing period he will again be found occupying a prominent position amongst winning owners.

E. Watson, of Palmerston North, trainer of War Scot, March On and Papanui, has had his team strengthened by the inclusion of Master Boris and The Summit.

There being a shortage of jockeys at Awapuni, through having donned the khaki, quite a number of the horses are piloted by their trainers and old-time jockeys (says the Manawatu "Standard"). One horse is regularly worked by one of the fair sex, and she handles her charge in good style.

The following foalings are reported from the Highden stud:—Mouette (Martian—Cuiralba) colt to Panmure; Lustre (Sir Laddo—Lustrous) colt to Panmure, Overall (Boniform—Bloomer) filly to Panmure, Nyland's sister (Finland—Parere) filly to Panmure, Truce (Grafton—Navarine) filly to Boniform, Adelicia (Charlemagne II.—Angele) colt to Absurd, Martia (Martian—Perolina) colt to Absurd, Pas Seul (Soult—Parera) colt to Kilbroney, Bertrada (Charlemagne II.—Couronne) colt to Kilbroney, Ermenegarde (Charlemagne II.—Watershoot) filly (dead) to Panmure, Cease Fire (Field Battery—Truce) slipped colt to Boniform, Neirene (Martian—Cuiralba) colt to Panmure.

WAIPA RACING CLUB.

Programme of Meeting to be held at TE AWAMUTU.

On the Te Awamutu Racecourse, on SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14, 1918.

OFFICIALS:

Patron: J. A. Young, Esq., M.P. President: F. F. Hockly, Esq. Starter: Mr. C. O'Connor. Handicapper: Mr. F. McManamin. Judge: Mr. A. H. Storey. Secretary: Mr. H. Lewis.

PROGRAMME.

1. PIRONGIA HANDICAP HURDLES of 100sovs; second horse 10sovs, and third horse 5sovs out of stake. Over seven flights of hurdles, height, 3ft. 6in. Distance, one mile and three-quarters (less 33 yards). Hack conditions. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1½sovs.
2. WAIPA MAIDEN HANDICAP of 60 sovs; second horse 10sovs, and third horse 5sovs out of stake. For horses that have never won a stake of 50sovs or over at time of starting. Distance, five furlongs. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov.
3. KIHIKIHI HANDICAP of 100sovs; second horse 10sovs, and third horse 5sovs out of stake. Distance, seven furlongs. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov.
4. TE AWAMUTU CUP HANDICAP of 165sovs; second horse 15sovs, and third horse 5sovs out of stake. Distance, one mile and a-quarter. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 2sovs.
5. OHAUPO HANDICAP of 90sovs; second horse 10sovs, and third horse 5sovs out of stake. Distance, five furlongs. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov.
6. ORAKAU MAIDEN HANDICAP of 60sovs; second horse 10sovs, and third horse 5sovs out of stake. Hack conditions. Minimum weight, 7.7. Winner of Waipa Maiden may be re-handicapped. Distance, six furlongs. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov.
7. PATERANGI WELTER HANDICAP of 90sovs; second horse 10sovs, and third horse 5sovs out of stake. Minimum weight, 7.7. Distance, one mile. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov.
8. FLYING HANDICAP of 115sovs; second horse 10sovs, and third horse 5sovs out of stake. Distance, six furlongs. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1½sovs.

DEFINITION OF A HACK.

A Hack means a horse that has not at time of entry won a race of the value of 150sovs, or races of the collective value of 400sovs in the particular class of race stipulated. See Rules of Racing, Part XI.

CONDITIONS.

NOMINATIONS for all events close with the Secretary, Te Awamutu, or with Messrs. Blomfield and Co., High Street, Auckland, on FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 1, at 9 p.m.

HANDICAPS will be declared on MONDAY, DECEMBER 2, 1918.

ACCEPTANCES close with the Secretary, Te Awamutu, or with Messrs. Blomfield and Co., High Street, Auckland, on FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6, at 9 p.m.

When nominating, full particulars must be given as to breeding, sex, age, and colour of the horse; also colours of the rider. Amount of nomination fees must also be included.

Nominations sent by telegram or phone must be afterwards confirmed in writing.

All winners after the declaration of weights are liable to be re-handicapped. Accommodation for horses arranged.

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MARTON JOCKEY CLUB.

SUMMER MEETING (One Day).

To be held on Marton Course, adjoining Marton Junction Railway Station,

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1, 1919.

OFFICIALS:

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PROGRAMME.

- First Race Starts at 11.30 a.m.
1. HACK HURDLES HANDICAP of 175sovs; second horse to receive 30 sovs, and third horse 15sovs from the stake. Nomination 20s., acceptance 40s. One mile and a-half, over six flights of hurdles, 3ft. 6in. high.
 2. DASH HACK HANDICAP of 150 sovs; second horse to receive 25 sovs, and third horse 10sovs from the stake. Nomination 20s., acceptance 40s. Six furlongs.
 3. JUVENILE HANDICAP of 200sovs; second horse to receive 30sovs, and third horse 15sovs from the stake. For two and three-year-olds. Nomination 20s., acceptance 50s. Five furlongs.
 4. MARTON CUP (Open), a Handicap of 600sovs; second horse to receive 100sovs, and third horse 50sovs from the stake. Winners of any race after declaration of weights are liable to be re-handicapped by the handicapper. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 7sovs. One mile and a-quarter.
 5. LADIES' BRACELET, a Hack Handicap of 130sovs, including gold bracelet 20sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs, and third horse 10 sovs from the stake. Gentlemen riders. Minimum weight, 10.7. Nomination 20s., acceptance 20s. Eight furlongs and a-half.
 6. RAILWAY HANDICAP (Open) of 350sovs; second horse to receive 50 sovs, and third horse 25sovs from the stake. Nomination 20s., acceptance 60s. Six furlongs.
 7. NEW YEAR HACK HANDICAP of 150sovs; second horse to receive 25 sovs, and third horse 10sovs from the stake. Minimum weight, 8.0. Nomination 20s., acceptance 40s. Seven furlongs.
 8. STEWARDS' WELTER HANDICAP (Open) of 240sovs; second horse to receive 35sovs, and third horse 15 sovs from the stake. Nomination 20s., acceptance 50s. Minimum weight, 8.0. Eight furlongs and a-half.

NOMINATIONS, WEIGHTS AND ACCEPTANCES.

NOMINATIONS for all events will close at the Secretary's Office, Marton, on FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6, 1918, at 9 p.m.

WEIGHTS will be declared on SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14, 1918.

ACCEPTANCES will close with the Secretary at the Office of the Club, Marton, on WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18, 1918, at 9 p.m.

PENALTIES.

Flat Races.—In any handicap race (except the Marton Cup Handicap), the winner of any flat race after declaration of weights shall carry a penalty of 10lb, and of every additional race a further penalty of 6lb extra. No penalty will be required in an open race for having won a hack or hack races.

Hurdle Races.—The winner of any hurdle race after declaration of weights shall carry a penalty of 10lb, and for every additional race 7lb extra.

RULES.

All races to be run under the New Zealand Rules of Racing.

All entries to be sealed and addressed to the Secretary, Marton Jockey Club, Marton, and entrance money to be enclosed, with name of horse, age at time of entry, name of owner and trainer, pedigree, and colours of rider.

All nominations by wire must be confirmed by letter by first mail afterwards.

ARTHUR WAY, Secretary.

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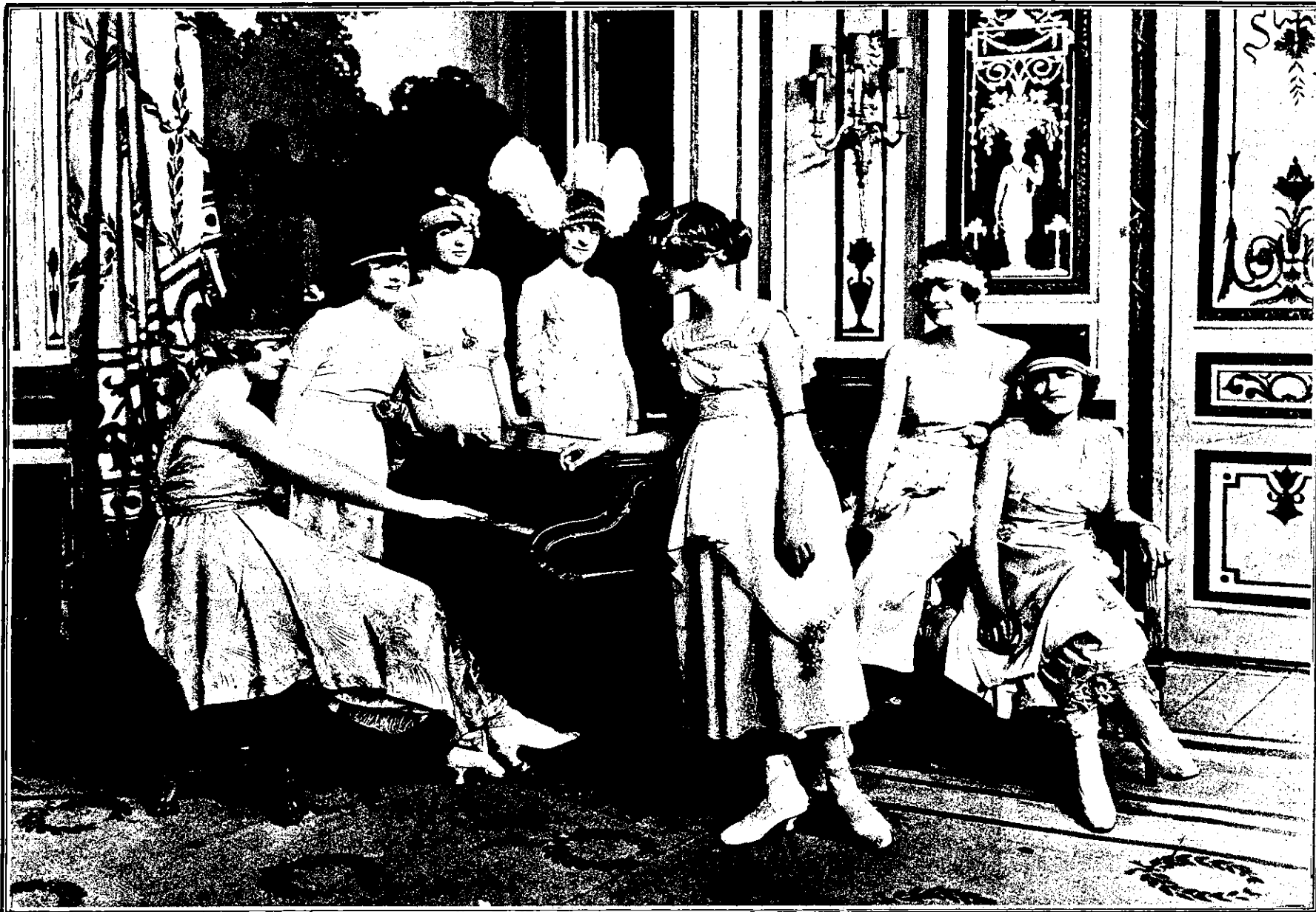
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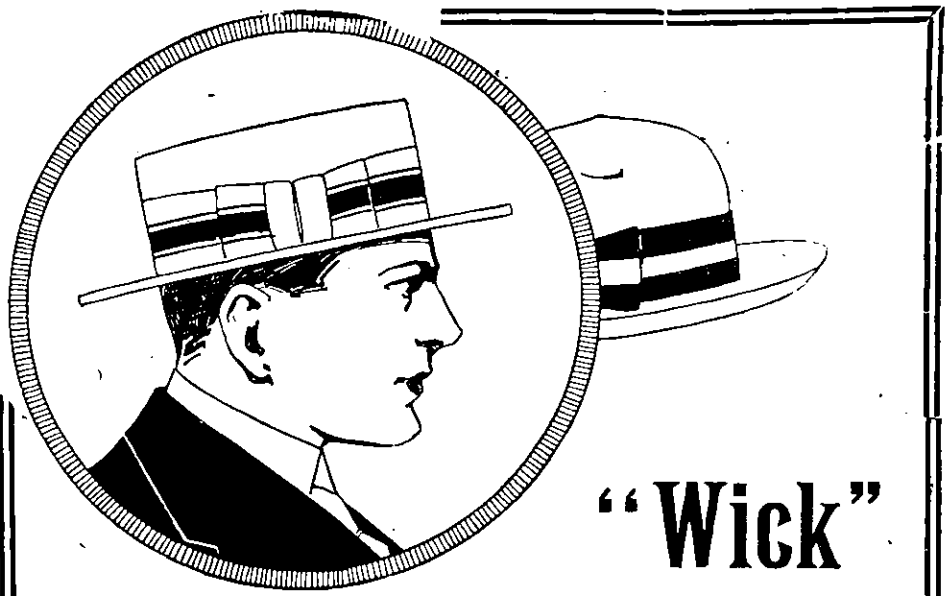
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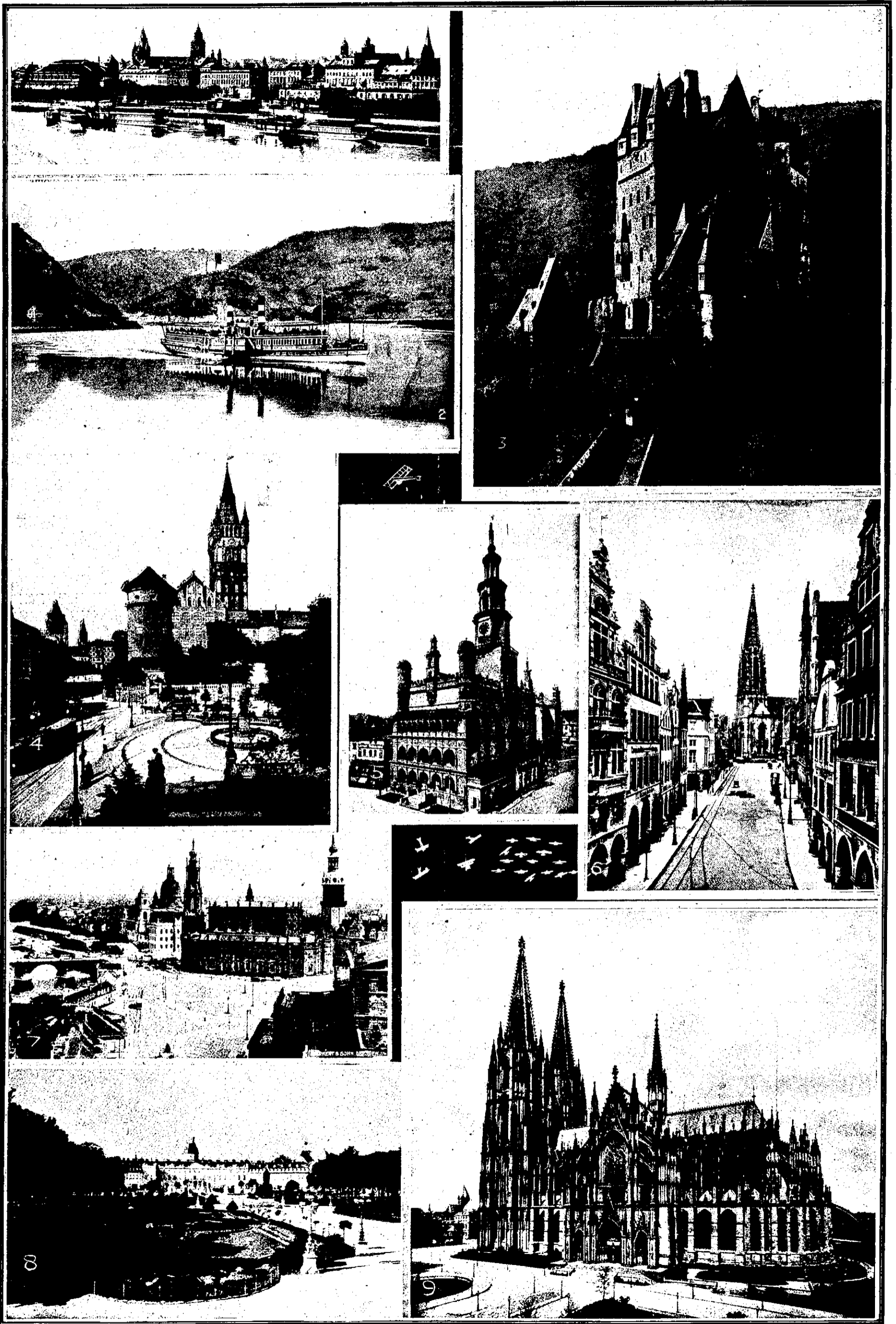
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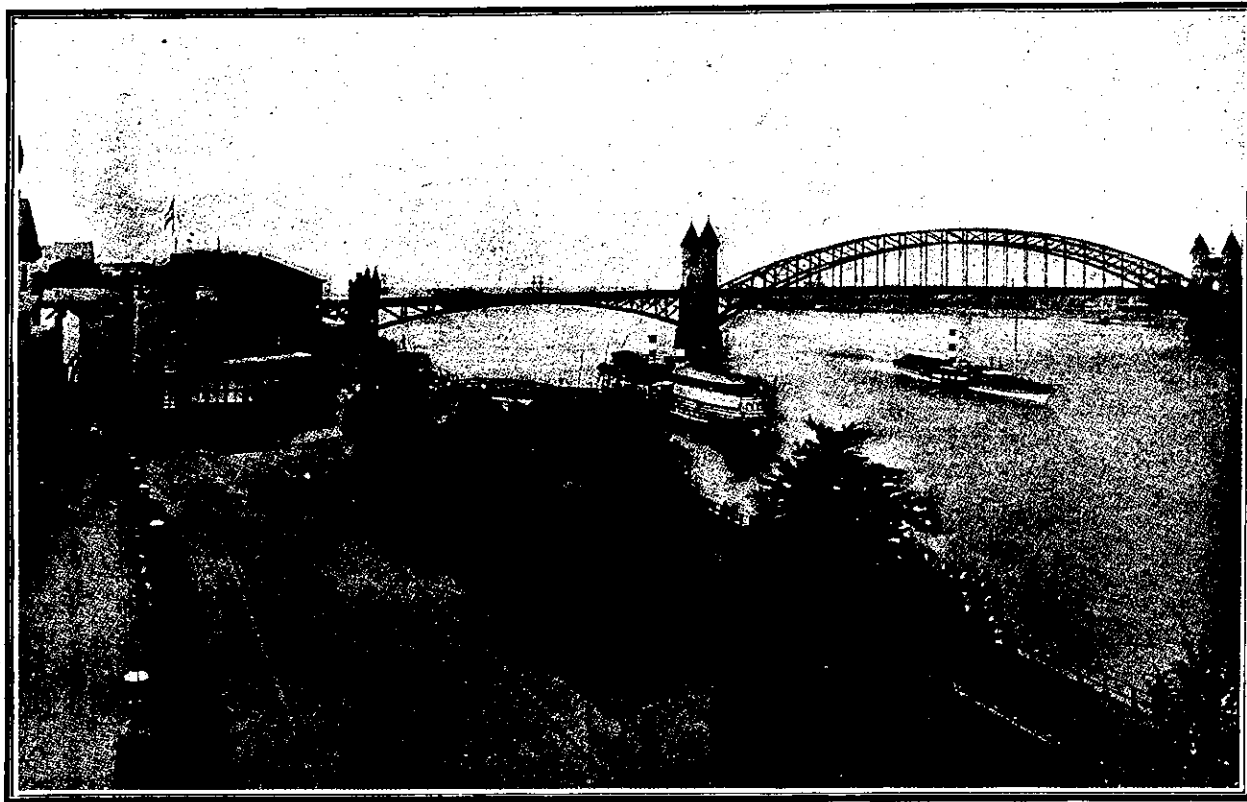
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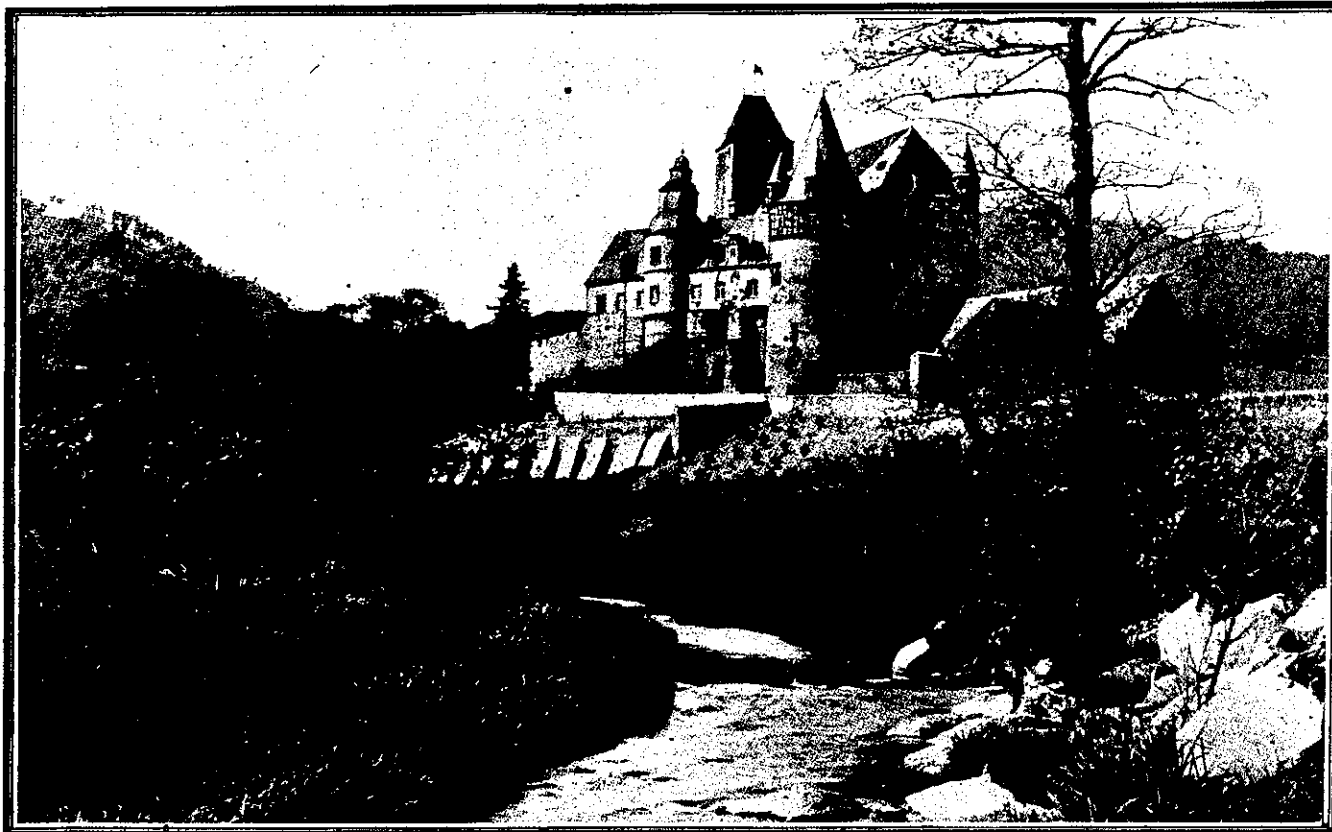
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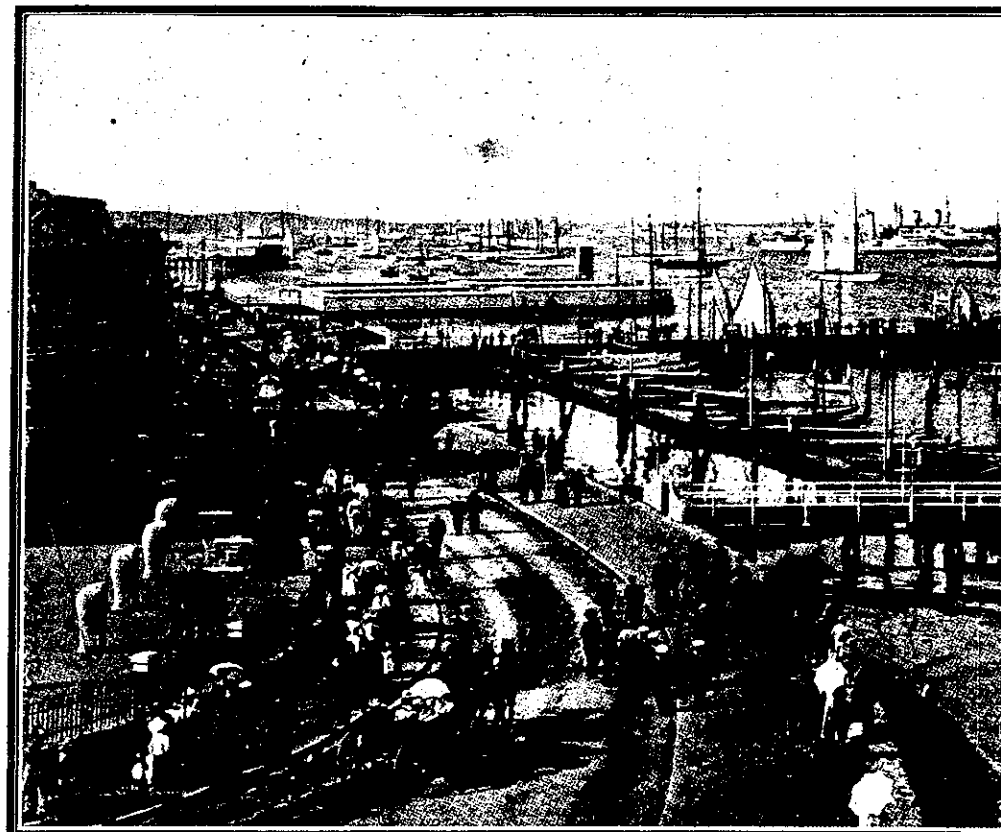
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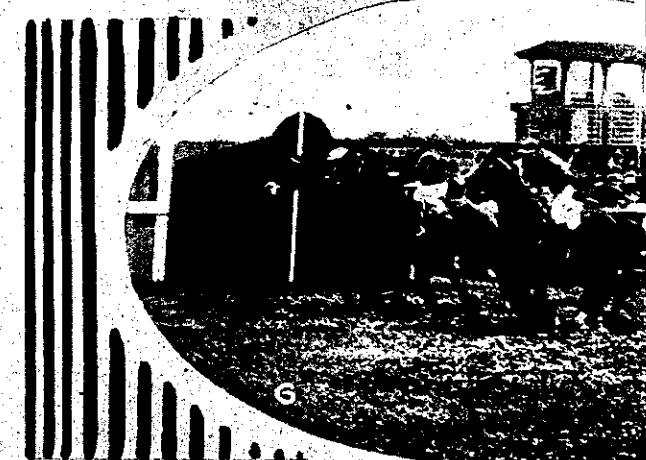
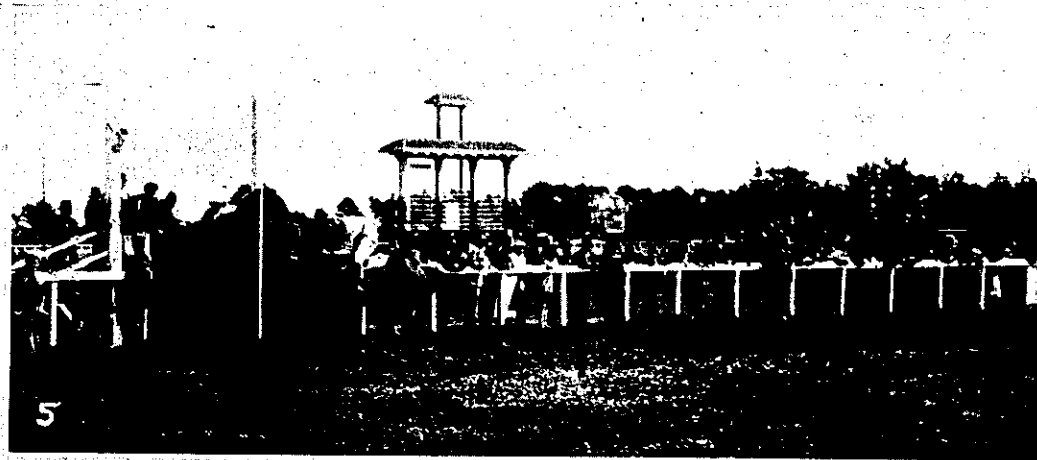
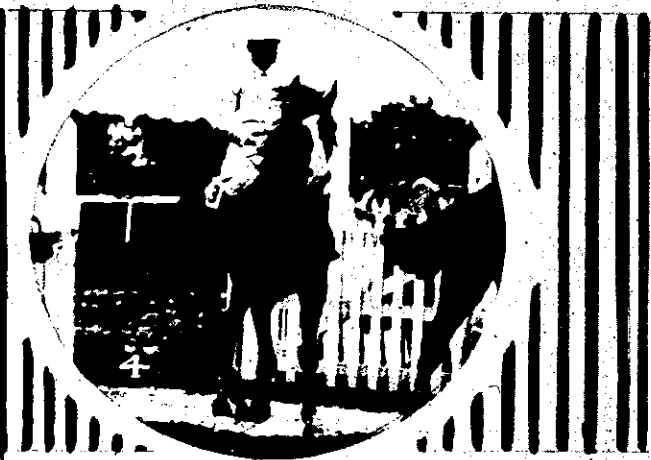


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THE STRAND PROMENADE AT KIEL.

The Avondale Jockey Club's Spring Meeting on Saturday last marks the Opening of the Racing Season



1. Enthusiastic patrons on the lawn at Avondale. 2. ROCKFIELD (Ayres) scores a popular victory in the Henderson Handicap (seven furlongs), with TIGRITIYA (Hockley) second and ALL TA TE MIRO (Rennie) returning to scale after his convincing win in the Maiden Plate Handicap (six furlongs). The second horse is COMEDY PRINCE (J. Buchanan). 4. THRACE (A. McDonald) closure after accounting for the Grey Lynn Hurdle Race (two miles). 5. GLUTERRENO (F. Tutchen) scores a comfortable win in the Hack and Hunters' Steeplechase (three miles). 6. The start die Race, won by THRACE. 7. A PANORAMIC VIEW OF THE STANDS AND TOTALISATOR AT AVONDALE TAKEN JUST AFTER THE HORSES HAD COME OUT TO CONTEST THE S

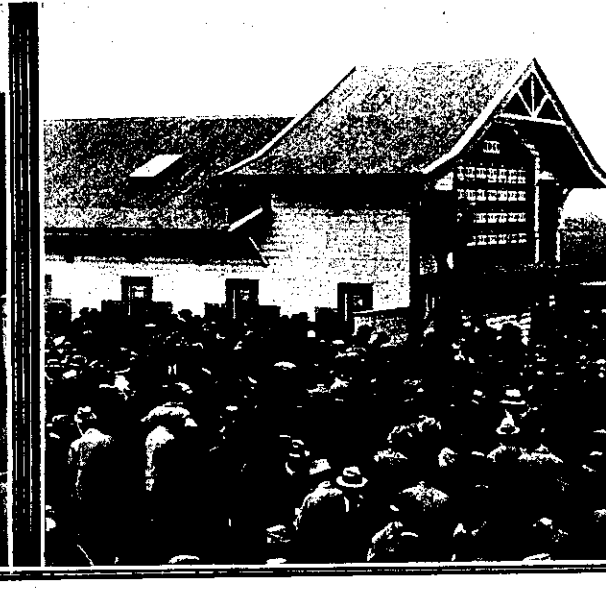
Snapshots at the Waverley-Waitotara Racing Club's Successful Annual Meeting last week.



The winner, TROMBONE (McDonell), and runner-up, APPLAUD (Ayres), after the Morton Memorial (seven furlongs).



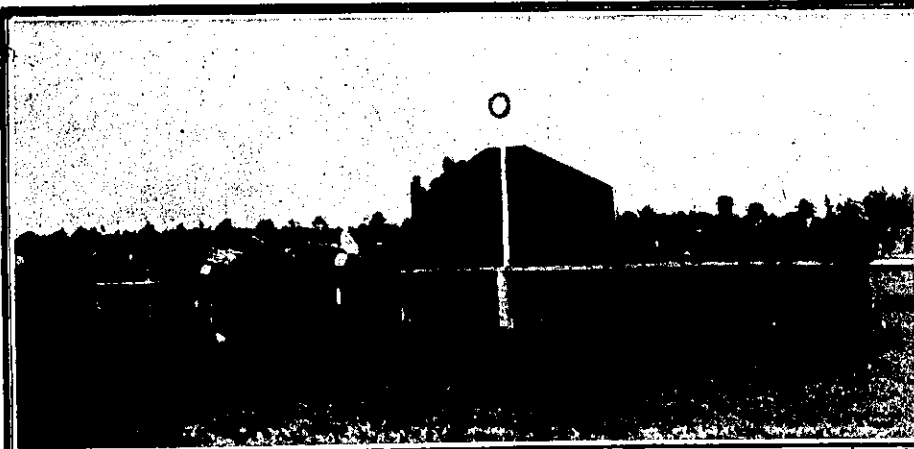
THE START OF THE WILSON STAKES (FOUR FURLONGS), WON BY RAWAKORE.



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PANORAMA TAKEN AT THE WAVERLEY-WAITOTARA RACING CLUB'S ANNUAL MEETING ON LABOUR DAY, SHOWING THE UP-TO-DATE APPOINTMENTS ON THEIR COURSE



MARQUETEUR (Anderson) scores a comfortable win from TROMBONE in the Flying Handicap (six furlongs), with MOVEMENT third.



The finish of the Waverley-Waitotara Cup (1½ miles).—HYDRUS (W. Price) wins from ROYAL PARK (in centre), with WHITE BLAZE (second from left) third and HYGINAS (next rails) fourth.



A close finish in the Brewer Handicap (six furlongs), on outside, wins from HUSHMAN (next third).

NEW ZEALAND'S ROLL OF HONOUR



PRIVATE ROBERT WM. GRAY, of Cambridge, Waikato. Died from wounds.



LANCE-CORPORAL ERNEST P. WHITE, of Turua, Thames. Killed in action.



PRIVATE JACK MILLER McKEEMAN, of Palmerston North. Killed in action.



RIFLEMAN HAROLD S. PEAKE, of Ponsonby, Auckland. Killed in action.



SAPPER J. B. TAYLOR, of Owaka, Otago, formerly of Bulls, Wellington. Killed in action.



GUNNER WM. VANSTONE CHADWICK, of Auckland, Machine Gun Specialist. Killed in action.



PRIVATE ARTHUR LOWNDES, of Auckland. Died from injuries.



PRIVATE W. C. NEWPORT, of Kaiwarra, Wellington. Killed in action.



PRIVATE JAMES S. BUTTERWORTH (M.M.), of Matamata, Auckland. Died from wounds.



SECOND-LIEUT. H. T. DOYLE, of Mt. Eden, Auckland. Died at sea as result of enemy action.



PRIVATE FRANK F. BROOME, of Addington, Christchurch. Killed in action.



PRIVATE F. R. GREY, of Auckland. Killed in action.



PRIVATE J. J. McCLELLAND, of Brookside, Canterbury. Killed in action.



PRIVATE DAVID F. TIDSWELL, of Taihape, Main Trunk Line. Killed in action.



PRIVATE T. L. ROUND, of New Brighton, Christchurch. Killed in action.



GUNNER R. R. WILLIAMS, of Napier, H.B. Killed in action.



PRIVATE JOSEPH HAZLETT, of Myross Bush, Southland. Died from wounds.



PRIVATE W. H. WAREHAM, of Waimiha, Auckland. Killed in action.



CORPORAL A. F. BURRELL, of Stratford, Taranaki. Killed in action.



SERGEANT ARTHUR LANGFORD, of Hikurangi, North Auckland. Killed in action.

NEW ZEALAND'S ROLL OF HONOUR



RIFLEMAN DUNCAN W. BOSWELL, of Grey Lynn, Auckland. Died from wounds.



RIFLEMAN JOHN BARROWMAN, of Carter's Junction, Westport. Killed in action.



PRIVATE A. B. DURNETT, of Wellington. Killed in action.



CORPORAL R. H. POTTS, of Tupurupuru, Wellington. Killed in action.



LANCE-CORP. G. J. CHAPMAN, of Hororata, Canterbury. Died from wounds.



PRIVATE R. E. WIDDOWS, of Morningside, Auckland. Killed in action.



LANCE-CORP. P. G. ESPINER, of Rowan, Kaponga, Taranaki. Killed in action.



PRIVATE NORRIS P. WAINWRIGHT, of Kaiwarra, Wellington. Died from wounds.



PRIVATE A. L. LAWSON, of Thames, Auckland. Killed in action.



PRIVATE CHAS. REYNOLDS, of Pirongia, Waikato. Killed in action.



SERGEANT S. H. ASHWELL, of Temuka, Canterbury. Died from wounds.



GUNNER ARCHIBALD D. COLQUHOUN, of Petone, Wellington. Died from wounds.



RIFLEMAN J. S. DOUGLAS, of Onehunga, Auckland. Died from wounds.



CORP. CORNELIUS P. LYNCH, of Lower Hutt, Wellington. Died from wounds.



PRIVATE A. E. ROWELL, of Epsom, Auckland. Died from wounds.



PRIVATE R. BUCKNER, of Rolleston, Canterbury. Killed in action.



LANCE-CORP. CHAS. DUANE, of Otahuhu, Auckland. Killed in action.



RIFLEMAN WM. O'CONNOR, of Kaihu, North Auckland. Killed in action.



PRIVATE GEORGE E. MANN, of Russell's Flat, Canterbury. Killed in action.



GUNNER W. GREGORY, of Auckland. Died from wounds.

TURF TOPICS

Prince Charleroi's time in the Avondale Stakes has only been beaten twice, and three times equalled when the course was not in such good order.

Some of the scratchings at Avondale on Saturday were due to owners not being able to get riders to suit to take the places of those prostrated by the "flu."

Wolaroi, though beaten by Magpie and Desert God in the Melbourne Stakes, has run very consistently this spring and has had a few hard races since he started.

Mr. J. Kemp appears to have two useful sorts by Advance in his geldings from Electra and Volee respectively, called Admiral Advance and General Advance.

The V.R.C. Derby won by Eusebius on Saturday by a head from Outlook, with Finmark half a length away, was the slowest since Malster won in 1900 in 2min. 48sec.

The Maribyrnong Plate, the chief two-year-old race at the V.R.C. spring meeting, went to Gambler's Gold, by Powhata from Evelyn B. There were nineteen runners.

Court Jester, who won the Hotham Handicap at the V.R.C. spring meeting, is by Comedy King from the St. Leger mare Aleger, one of the Ouida family bred in Auckland.

The well-known trainers J. T. Jamieson and F. G. Carmont, who were to go into camp this month, have been notified that they will not be required to enter camp until January.

Claude Brown, who was to have ridden Secret Link in the Flying Handicap, had to go to bed with influenza, and so the filly, who was favourite in doubles, was not started.

J. Roach was fined £2 for taking up a wrong position at the starting barrier on Uncle Ned in the Henderson Handicap, and the starter, Mr. Harley, was informed that he must conform to the rules compelling riders to keep the positions they draw.

Rekanui, winner of the Flying Handicap at Avondale, was the only actual first favourite to score, but Prince Charleroi and Parorangi (first and second in the Stakes), Thrace and Crown Pearl (first and second in the Hurdles), and Gazique (narrowly beaten in the Cup), were the most strongly supported.

The wife of a Masterton solicitor was one of the lucky ones to draw the big dividend—the best part of a century—paid by Inah at the recent meeting at Opaki. Inah's number in the race book was 13. The lady in question backed Inah just because her own name was Inah, and she was the thirteenth member of her family.

Michaela, winner of the Stewards' Handicap at Riccarton, won nearly all her engagements last season.

The new totalisator will be working at Ellerslie on Saturday, and a number of women clerks will be employed on the staff.

Mr. H. Wilson, the well-known contractor and horse-owner, is one of the sufferers from influenza. He was taken bad last week and got up rather soon and had a relapse on Monday.

Bitholia, who ran fourth in the Wellesley Stakes on the opening day of the Wellington meeting, is a full brother to Elocution, and is owned by Mr. E. Short. On the second day the son of Demosthenes—Rangiao was installed favourite for the Juvenile Handicap, but failed to run into a place.

Though it was expected that the Riccarton course would be slower than usual in consequence of rain on the previous day, the times recorded for the different events on Monday show that it was in good order, the straight course especially being fast. The Stewards' Handicap, won by the Rokeby—Jessie Lewars four-year-old mare Michaela, was as a matter of fact run in the record time for the course of 1min. 11 4-5sec. The Welcome Stakes has only once been run faster than Surveyor, the first of the gets of Nassau, won in, and only thrice in the same time. The other races beyond six furlongs are run on the main course, the first two furlongs of the Cup race being over part of the straight.

The death of Mr. Charles Dines Halstead, veterinary surgeon, took place on Monday morning at his home in Ponsonby. About two years ago deceased was very nearly at death's door, but was successfully treated and after a long illness resumed his business. Though never the same again he carried on until a few weeks back, when he was again obliged to take to his bed, and finally passed away. Charlie Halstead was a prominent figure in the business in which he was engaged and in which his father, the late Mr. E. Halstead, was a leading man in Auckland, for many years looking after the various studs. It was with his father that the deceased graduated, and he was decidedly popular in sporting circles. A young man—he had attained only to the age of forty-five years—he will be missed from business and for his comradeship. He was the last of the family following the veterinary business, which had been established in Auckland over fifty years.

The success of Sasanof in the New Zealand Cup gives the gelding son of Martian a distinction that no other equine enjoys. For a gelding, horse or mare to win a Melbourne Cup and follow it up two years later by winning a New Zealand Cup is to become a well-advertised performer. Martian, his sire, was well represented in the race, and Sasanof is the result of mating with Martian a Stepniak mare in Ukraine, a full-sister to All Red. The runner-up, Rose Pink, is a five-year-old mare by imported Killbroney from the Gosoon mare Madder, dam of Ukraine and All Red, and of the dams, by Stepniak, of Indigo, who dead-heated with the Stepniak mare Warstep, Sea Pink, who won many good races, and others of note. Menelaus, who ran third, is by Martian, and will be remembered as the winner last year, when his stablemate, Johnny Walker, also by Martian, ran second. Martian has sired three successive winners of the race in Ardenhor, Menelaus and Sasanof, also the dead-heater Warstep, so has a splendid record. Mascot, who was fourth this year, is another by the Martagon horse.



A VISITOR TO THE AVONDALE J.C.'S MEETING WHO IS ALSO ENGAGED AT ELLERSLIE ON SATURDAY.—Mr. H. Brown's b g FORM UP, 5yrs., by Formative—Pursering. R. Hatch in saddle. Trained by H. Eva.

The influenza epidemic kept a good many horsemen, trainers, owners and sportsmen patrons of racing from being at the Avondale races on Saturday.

Rockfield, winner of the Henderson Handicap at Avondale on Saturday, is called after the property where he was foaled, not far from the Ellerslie racecourse. He was bred there by his owner, the Hon. E. W. Alison.

Lingle probably ran the best race he has done this spring when he finished third in the V.R.C. Hotham Handicap behind Court Jester and Night Watch, and did a good Melbourne Cup preparation.

Parorangi, Mr. E. Short's two-year-old colt by Demosthenes from Pellicle, races with hard luck. He has had two seconds so far, and has been narrowly beaten each time. In another race the bridle nearly came off.

Mr. Dunn, the Waihou breeder of thoroughbreds, gets the 25sovs. which goes to the breeder of the winner of the Avondale Stakes, Prince Charleroi, who cost his owner 50gns. at the annual yearling sale at Epsom, Auckland.

Te Miro, winner of the Maiden Plate at Avondale, is the first three-year-old by Spalpeen that has won for a considerable time. Bell Crispin, his dam, was got by St. Crispin, son of St. Leger and a Great Northern Derby winner, from Lady Bell, by Pinfire, dam of Ingomar, from The Orphan, by The Pointer from Miss Mettle.

Prince Charleroi is the first of the gets of the Soult horse General Latour to win the Avondale Stakes. He was to have been ridden by Goldfinch, who was laid up with the "flu," and so R. Manson got the ride. Goldfinch was to have ridden Mullingar in the Cup but E. Warner had to be substituted, and the substitutes did their mounts justice.

Gloaming's victory in the Champion Plate at Trentham gave Mr. G. D. Greenwood his third win in that event, Danube and Byron being successful in the important mile and a-quarter race in previous years. Mr. T. H. Lowry won the Champion Plate three years in succession with Desert Gold, while other winners of the race were Elysian, Equitas, Merry Roe and Reputation.

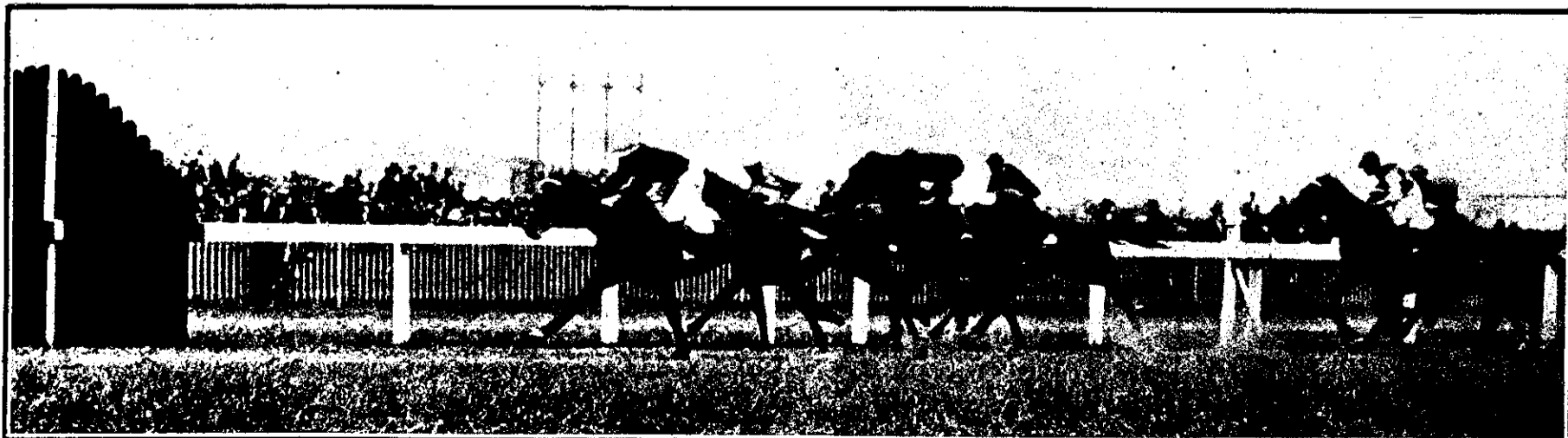
It is a bad thing to swap horses crossing a stream, and sometimes a mistake to change riders in the middle of a racing campaign.

The imported mare Highflown, by White Eagle from Meta Bourke, won the Maiden Plate at the V.R.C. spring meeting for Messrs. Tye Bros.

It is just as well for punters to remember that there were a few unlucky horses at Avondale and some that ran a lot below their true form.

Eusebius, the V.R.C. Derby winner, is a colt by Eudorus from the Malster mare Lager, who failed when much fancied for the Epsom Handicap in 1911, but won some fair races.

Mr. G. Carrington's successful stallion, Gazeley, by Grey Leg—Lygia, secured additional honours at the Poverty Bay A. and P. Show at Gisborne, being adjudged the winner in the thoroughbred class and also the champion entire. Second prize in the former class was secured by Heather Mixture, by St. Serf—Sprig of Heather, who is owned by Messrs. W. L. Rutledge and E. R. Murphy, this well-bred stallion being also adjudged the reserve champion entire.



EX-NEW ZEALAND MARE PROVES THE RUNNER-UP IN THE PRINCIPAL EVENT AT THE CITY TATTERSALL'S SPRING MEETING AT RANDWICK.—BURSAR (CONNELL) WINS THE CITY TATTERSALL'S HANDICAP (1½ miles) from BEE (A. Wood), next rails, with EAST-COURT (N. Russell), on outside, third.



There are many unusual scenic achievements in the big J. C. Williamson revue "Hello, Everybody," which is being staged at Her Majesty's, Melbourne. One of the most spectacular of these is "Maid of the Mist," embodying an old Indian legend of Niagara. In this is symbolised the sacrifice of an Indian maiden to the Spirit of the Falls. Two scenes are shown, the first, an Indian encampment, with squaws, braves, and Indian girls. Then in the next scene is given a wonderful representation of the Niagara Falls. This is one of the most ingenious features ever presented on the stage.

The Fullers will have three pantomimes in Australia this year. "The Babes in the Wood" will be the attraction at Sydney Opera House, "Sinbad the Sailor" will be played in Melbourne, and at the Newtown Majestic there will be a special Christmas production of "Blue Beard."

George Bernard Shaw, in a music criticism in "The Nation" (London), declared that while he has a large charity for loose morals, he has no charity at all for loose art, and goes on: "When I hear a fiddler playing mezzo forte when his part is marked pianissimo or fortissimo (as the English orchestral fiddler is apt to do if he can trifle with the conductor), or a trombone player shirking the trouble of phrasing intelligently, I hate him. Yet I could forgive him quite easily for being a bigamist."

A Press Association message from America states that the New York newspapers favourably comment on Miss Eileen Castle's appearance as Yum Yum in "The Mikado." Miss Eileen Castle is a sister to Miss Amy Castles, the well-known singer, and Miss Dolly Castles, musical comedy artist. She visited Wellington a few years ago with one of J. C. Williamson's opera companies.

Miss Jessie Masson, who toured Australasia as solo pianist with the Selinsky-Amadio Concert Company last year, is on her way to the United States to fulfil concert engagements.

Manager of Hickville Academy of Music: How many girls with your company? Advance Agent (evasively): We advertise 25. Manager: 'Taint no use advertisin' unless you got 'em. The poppylation of this here burg will be at the depot to check 'em up.

For variety and novelty, the performance of the Gilfain Trio is worth special mention. From a hornpipe dance to a selection of grand opera is quite a gamut to run but it is done by this clever trio with ease and finish. As a decided novelty, it introduces the only woman in vaudeville, it is claimed, who plays the old Irish bagpipes.

Giving her views on things in this part of the world and Australia in particular, Miss Sara Allgood said she loved the country and the people, and the sunshine and the laughter, but when it came to matters artistic, she said that what marred a great deal of the effort in Australia was the haste with which everything was done. A person seems to get a good idea, but no sooner has he hatched it than he wants to give it public expression, instead of polishing and polishing until the idea is given its maximum worth. "I have seen this in so many ways since I have been here," she says, "that I think it might do good rather than harm to mention that anything artistic loses in the speeding-up process."

Writing of the premiere of "Shanghai" at Drury Lane, Harry Cohen, manager of the big house, says they took over £650. "Little Dorothy Brunton," he adds, "got a truly wonderful send-off from the 'Aussies' (over 100 Australian soldiers were present.) They tell me that her reception excelled anything ever seen in a London theatre." The following notices from London papers show how favourably the much loved little Australian artist was received. Thus the "Observer": "Miss Dorothy Brunton, pitting her vivacity and jollity against the woefulness of the Hoodoo (Alfred Lester) made a decisive hit." The "Referee" says: "There was a very important arrival in Miss Dorothy Brunton, a little soubrette from Australia. She had a great Anzac reception with 'Coo-ee' from all over the house, and I am glad to say thoroughly deserved it." The "Dispatch's" comment was: "Anzacs turned up in great force. They came there, of course, to see the entertainment, but they came also because two great favourites from the Antipodes—Ivy Shilling and Dorothy Brunton—were in the company. Dorothy Brunton is a charming young actress with a delightful voice, a very pleasing personality, and a real sense of the stage.— How the An-

zacs did cheer her! Well they might; she was born in Australia, the daughter of an English scene painter who had settled in Sydney, and this was her first time in England."

Mr. Waters, of the "Business Before Pleasure" Company, offers a definition of a word used often enough, but frequently most ignorantly. "Yiddish," he told a Sydney interviewer, "is a sort of Esperanto of the Jewish world, and stands in much the same position as the Provençal dialect in France. It is a collective term for a number of dialects and sub-dialects that differ amongst themselves but are generally intelligible to the person speaking Yiddish the world over. It is a most elastic tongue, and is continually adding to its vocabulary. I think Abe and Mawrus have contributed something to it already. You must not think that Yiddish is a cheap affair, that to speak it means that a man is an inferior sort of fellow. The Yiddish press, for instance, is one of the 'livest wires' in the whole newspaper kingdom. The language has produced a literature of its own, one comparable with the recent best in any tongue. It has a drama of its own, a musical comedy of its own. I remember a Yiddish version of 'The Spring Chicken' that was a great success. As a rule, Yiddish drama is intensely 'realistic,' dealing with the grim and pathetic sides of life. Do they prefer tears to laughter? Ask them if they enjoyed a Strindberg play. 'Enjoy it?' they will answer. 'We cried all night. It was too lovely for words!'"

SOUTHERN STAGE NOTES.

(By "Lorgnette.")

WELLINGTON, November 4. The Wellington Amateur Operatic Society opened its seven nights' season of Gilbert and Sullivan's comic opera "The Gondoliers" at the Grand Opera House last Saturday evening. The theatre was packed to the doors with a most enthusiastic audience. A special feature was the fine work done by the Trentham Camp orchestra, under the conductorship of Mr. F. Thomas. The chorus also excelled themselves, working in direct harmony with principals and orchestra. Indeed, the production was a genuine treat, and speaks volumes for the tact displayed by Mr. Tom Pollard in bringing the performers out of their shells and giving of their very best. The opera is magnificently dressed and mounted. A popular item is the dancing of a beautiful gavotte and the sparkling Spanish cachuca. The cast is one of the strongest yet got together by the society, which is saying a great deal, seeing that they have already staged "The Geisha,"

"San Toy," "Paul Jones," "Les Cloches de Corneville," and "La Mascotte." "The Gondoliers" not only calls for a higher musical culture than any of the above, but its subtle and witty dialogue makes a greater demand upon the intellect of the players entrusted with the leading parts than is the case in English musical comedy and French light opera. Mr. Zante Wood gave a very fine performance of the part of the Duke of Plaza Toro. Miss Helen Gardner was quite at home as Gianetta, singing and acting in a refreshing manner. Miss Dorothy Cameron, as Casilda, is the possessor of a very fine soprano voice, and did full justice to the music allotted her. She also acted with great dash. Mrs. Dallas, as the Duchess, displayed a contralto voice of unusual brilliance, and scored a great success. Mrs. Bathie Howie-Stuart's Tessa was a strong feature of the performance. Mr. Fred Twiss, as Guiseppe, has a fine baritone voice which he used to the utmost advantage. Mr. Trevor Forrest was excellent as the Grand Inquisitor. Mr. Charles Moore, as Luiz, sang and acted in finished style. Mr. Herbert F. Wood, as Marco, made masterly use of his tenor voice and also acted splendidly. The other characters were all ably filled. The season should be a record one for the society. The "front of the house" is still looked after by Mr. E. R. Vance, hon. secretary, and Mr. W. Fraser, hon. treasurer.

The Royal Choral Union gave a very fine performance of Gounod's "Faust" in the Town Hall last Wednesday. The cast of soloists included Madame Elsie Davies, the Italian prima donna, as Margarita; Mr. Ernest Drake, as Faust; Mrs. F. P. Wilson, as Siebel; Mr. Hamilton Hodges, as Mephisto; Mr. Frank Charlton, as Valentine; and Mr. F. W. Laycock, as Wagner. Mr. Robert Parker conducted in his usual masterly style.

MUSIC NOTES.

(By "G" String.)

Enrico Caruso, the famous tenor, has at last fallen under the spell of the movies. He has contracted for two pictures under the famous Players-Lasky auspices. One of the two pictures will be a version of "I Pagliacci," and the other may be based on the tenor's life, if it is found that sufficient material of general interest to amusement lovers can be secured from his career.

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SPRING MEETING.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 1918.

MELROSE HANDICAP of 200sovs; second horse to receive 40sovs, and third horse 15sovs out of stakes. For all horses that have not won a race exceeding the value of 25 sovs at time of entry. Lowest weight, 7.7. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. Six furlongs.

BOROUGH HANDICAP of 250sovs; second horse to receive 40sovs, and third horse 15sovs out of stakes. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 2sovs. Five furlongs.

PONU HURDLES of 200 sovs; second horse to receive 40 sovs, and third horse 15sovs out of stakes. For all horses that have not won a hurdle race exceeding the value of 25sovs at time of entry. Over six flights of hurdles. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. One mile and a-half.

ALISON CUP HANDICAP of 550sovs; second horse to receive 70sovs, and third horse 30sovs out of stakes. Winner of any race of the value of 100sovs after the declaration of the weights to carry a penalty of 3lb; of 150sovs or over, 7lb. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 5sovs. One mile two furlongs and a-half.

CAMBRIA HANDICAP of 250sovs; second horse to receive 40sovs, and third horse 15sovs out of stakes. For TWO-YEAR-OLDS. Nomina-

tion 1sov, acceptance 2sovs. Five furlongs.

VAUXHALL HACK HANDICAP of 200sovs; second horse to receive 40 sovs, and third horse 15sovs out of stakes. For all horses that have not won an advertised flat race of the value of 150sovs, or races of the collective value of 400sovs at time of entry. Winner of any flat race after the weights are declared to carry a penalty of 7lb. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. Seven furlongs.

TIRI HANDICAP HURDLES of 250 sovs; second horse to receive 40 sovs, and third horse 15sovs out of stakes. Winner of Ponui Hurdles to carry a penalty of 7lb. Over seven flights of hurdles. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 2sovs. About one mile and three-quarters.

CHELLENHAM HANDICAP of 300 sovs; second horse to receive 40 sovs, and third horse 20sovs out of stakes. Winner of Alison Cup or Borough Handicap to carry a penalty of 7lb. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 3sovs. Six furlongs.

NOMINATIONS, WEIGHTS AND ACCEPTANCES.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 8 (GENERAL ENTRY), 5 P.M.

NOMINATIONS.—Melrose Handicap 1 sov, Borough Handicap 1sov, Ponui Handicap Hurdles 1sov, Alison Cup Handicap 1sov, Cambria Handicap 1sov, Vauxhall Hack Handicap 1sov, Tiri Handicap Hurdles 1sov, Cheltenham Handicap 1sov.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 4 P.M. WEIGHTS:

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 5 P.M. ACCEPTANCES.—Melrose Handicap 1 sov, Borough Handicap 2sovs, Ponui Handicap Hurdles 1sov, Alison Cup Handicap 5sovs, Cambria Handicap 2 sovs, Vauxhall Hack Handicap 1sov, Tiri Handicap Hurdles 2sovs, Cheltenham Handicap 3sovs.

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Approved in accordance with the Rules of Racing by the Auckland District Committee, October 10, 1918.—W. S. SPENCE, Secretary.

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CHRISTMAS MEETING.

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 26, 1918.

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PROGRAMME OF EVENTS.

1. HUATOKI PLATE of 135sovs; second horse to receive 25sovs, and third horse 10sovs from the stake. Open to horses that have never won a race on the flat at the time of starting. Weight for age. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. Seven furlongs.

2. STEWARDS' HACK HANDICAP of 160sovs; second horse to receive 25 sovs, and third horse 10sovs from the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. Six furlongs.

3. RAHOTU HACK HURDLES HANDICAP of 175sovs; second horse to receive 25sovs, and third horse 15 sovs from the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. One mile and a-half and 100 yards, over six flights of hurdles, about 3ft. 6in. high.

4. BOROUGH HACK HANDICAP of 150sovs; second horse to receive 25 sovs, and third horse 10sovs from the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. Five furlongs.

5. CHRISTMAS HANDICAP (Open) of 250sovs; second horse to receive 35sovs, and third horse 15sovs from the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 2sovs. One mile and a-quarter.

6. LEPPERTON WELTER HACK HANDICAP of 135sovs; second horse to receive 25sovs, and third horse 10 sovs from the stake. Minimum

weight, 9.0. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. Seven furlongs.

7. TIKORANGI HACK STAKES of 125 sovs; second horse to receive 15 sovs, and third horse 10sovs from the stake. Weight, 8.0. Winner of any race to carry 14lb extra. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. Five furlongs.

8. FLYING HANDICAP (Open) of 200 sovs; second horse to receive 35 sovs, and third horse 15sovs from the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. Six furlongs.

The winner of any handicap after the declaration of weights to carry a penalty of 7lb; of two or more handicaps a penalty of 12lb.

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DATES OF NOMINATIONS, WEIGHTS AND ACCEPTANCES.

And amounts to be forwarded to the Secretary Taranaki Jockey Club.

CHRISTMAS MEETING.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 1918, at 9 p.m.

NOMINATIONS.—Huatoke Plate, Flying Handicap, Lepperton Welter Handicap, Rahotu Handicap Hurdles, Christmas Handicap, Borough Handicap, Stewards' Handicap, Tikorangi Hack Stakes, each 1 sov.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6, 1918 (on or about).

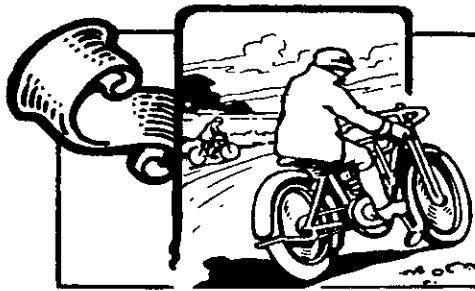
WEIGHTS for the Rahotu Hurdles, Borough, Christmas, Flying, Lepperton Welter, and Stewards' Handicap.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13, 1918, at 9 p.m.

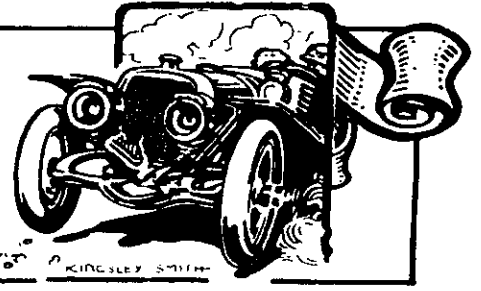
ACCEPTANCES.—Huatoke Plate 1 sov, Rahotu Handicap Hurdles 1sov, Lepperton Welter Handicap 1sov, Christmas Handicap 2sovs, Tikorangi Hack Stakes 1sov, Borough Handicap 1sov, Flying Handicap 1sov, Stewards' Handicap 1sov.

E. P. WEBSTER, Secretary.

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MOTORING & CYCLING



Photographs of private motorists in their cars, snapshots taken while on tour, or accounts of motoring trips and other items of interest to car-owners, will be inserted in these columns if posted to "New Zealand Sporting and Dramatic Review," P.O. Box 52, Auckland.

Lieutenant Hector Nicol, formerly of Featherston, has been killed in action. Deceased was a member of the Flying Corps.

Flight-Lieutenant Clarence Umbers, of Dunedin, is on a few months' furlough. Lieutenant Umbers left New Zealand as a n.c.o. on the staff of General Godley, and after a varied experience with the New Zealand Expeditionary Force qualified for a commission in the Royal Air Force, in which connection he has been engaged on the Salonika front.

Private W. J. Roland, who has returned to Gisborne invalided, was a member of the 9th Reinforcements. He accompanied the N.Z. Division to France, and was subsequently transferred to the mechanical transport service, with which he was employed for eight months on mechanical repair work. He also saw considerable service driving despatch cars and motor ambulances.

The rather disgraceful condition of the two main arterial roads leading into Wellington was mentioned by Councillor L. McKenzie at a meeting of the Wellington City Council. His remarks were supported by other councillors, and it was decided to call a conference of local bodies to see if some effort cannot be made to improve the roads.

"I protest against the proceedings, your Worship, on the ground that the prosecution has not shown that the car is a motor car within the meaning of the Act," said a defendant named Job Harrison, when charged before Mr. F. V. Frazer, S.M., at the Magistrate's Court, Petone, with failing to notify the registering authority of the change of ownership of a motor car. "It is no good you trying to get that on to me, for it won't go down. You have evidently been consulting a bush lawyer, and you had better get the advice out of your head," replied the magistrate.

Speaking from the actual experience of a recent trip he made by motor car through the Gisborne district, Mr. C. M. Luke stated at last meeting of the Wellington Chamber of Commerce that it was not to the credit of the Government that the country roads should be allowed to become in such a shocking condition. It was a wonder to him that the settlers in the backblocks put up with the neglect of their roads. Accidents were frequent on the Gisborne roads. How could they expect settlers to progress if they did not attend to the backblocks roads? What he had experienced in his cross-country trip in Gisborne had impressed on him the necessity of pushing on as far as possible with the Napier-Gisborne railway. The least that should be done for the settlers there was the proper metalling of the roads.

"The regulation that registration numbers must be affixed to the front and rear of motor cycles as well as to cars does not seem to be known as well as it should be," remarked Mr. F. V. Frazer, S.M., at the Magistrate's Court, Wellington, when Louis Walter England was convicted and discharged for a breach of the regulation. William Luits was charged with driving a motor car to which the necessary registration plates were not affixed, and he was also charged with leaving the car unattended for about two hours outside the Grand Hotel. Luits said that the car was the Trentham Dominion Scholarship car and he was not aware of the regulation. He further said that he became so interested in talking over the scholarship scheme with a visitor in the hotel that he quite forgot that he had left the car unattended. Luits was convicted and discharged for the breach of the regulations, and on the second charge was fined 10s. and costs.

At the annual general meeting of the Wellington Automobile Club the election of officers resulted as under: President, Hon. C. H. Izard, M.L.C.; vice-presidents, Dr. Prendergast Knight and Mr. C. M. Banks; committee, Messrs. H. W. Lloyd, W. Mantell, S. G. Nathan, L. Partridge, W. Pryor, C. Sherwood, J. J. Williamson; auditor, Mr. W. S. Wheeler, F.P.A.N.Z.; secretary and treasurer, Mr. H. J. Stott. The following new members were elected: E. N. Cathie, F. W. Manton, A. Hamilton, E. Jackson, R. Hall, A. J. Patterson, A. Waterworth, E. W. Ackland, W. E. Patrick, H. D. Bennett, H. Brown, H. C. Hunter, R. W. Wills, Mrs. F. Davidson. Dr. Faulke's resignation was accepted with regret. The secretary was directed to send a protest to the Hutt County Council pointing out that several bridges marked unsafe for traffic had become a public nuisance. The committee deprecates the practice of marking such bridges unsafe, as they should be put in a safe condition, especially on the main arterial roads.

cident which occurred on Sunday afternoon went to show that the council's precautions are not by any means unnecessary. Two young women started out from the city, one riding a motor cycle, and the other, seated on the carrier, clinging tenaciously to her friend "at the wheel." A long stretch of Gloucester Street was negotiated in safety, and then the girl on the back evidently began to lose her nerve, and started "wobbling" to a considerable extent. The result was that her companion in control of the machine was unable to continue on an interrupted way, and after a few spasmodic efforts at stability, the cycle, women and all, went over. Luckily, no one was seriously hurt, although both women received some nasty abrasions, and each vowed to obey the strict letter of the law in future.

The woman omnibus driver has made her appearance in Sydney. The proprietors have frequently complained of the lack of adequate labour, and now, it seems, propose to utilise

men stating that free motor cars are supplied by Voluntary Motor Corps to take them to their destinations when landing. It was also stated that there are still several vacancies in the corps.

A chaffeur to one of the highest officials at Camp Green, U.S.A., is a millionaire several times over.

Mr. Percival Barker, of Gisborne, who volunteered for the flying force, has been accepted, and goes to the Kohimarama Flying School in December.

A prize is to be offered by the Women's Automobile Club of Australia for the best design, submitted, for a badge to be worn on a motor car.

The report presented at the annual meeting of the Wairarapa Automobile Association, held in Featherston, states that the membership has increased steadily during the twelve months, after deducting those who



An incident during recent fighting on the Western front.—A tractor bringing up a tank with a view to reinforcing the Allies between Dormans and Rheims. Note the new type of tank car. Ludendorff wanted to keep intact the retirement of the left wing under the command of General Boehm, but the enemy, in face of the combined efforts of French, Italian, American and British, under Berthelot, was obliged to retire.

A request that the Government should accede to the request of the New Zealand Flying School at Kohimarama for the supply of kauri timber from the State mills, to be used in the erection of hangars to accommodate new machines, was brought before the Minister of Railways by a deputation consisting of Sir Frederick Lang (Manukau), Messrs. J. S. Dickson (Parnell) and J. A. Young (Waikato). The Minister said he regretted very much that the mills were unable to supply the timber in the lengths and quantity required. The Department was having great difficulty in meeting its own needs.

Two more pupils of the Canterbury Flying School—A. C. Fraser (Cust) and W. C. Littlejohn (Nelson)—have passed their tests at Sockburn, making 163 who have passed through the school. Major Morrison and Major Leeming were the official observers.

Pillion-riding is a thing which is looked upon askance by the City Council, and a by-law has been framed to meet with such a trouble, the result being that any motor cyclist who within the city carries a passenger in any manner except in a side-car, lays himself—or herself—open to a substantial fine. This by-law is, however, not always observed, remarks the Christchurch "Press," and a little ac-

able-bodied young women to collect fares. Last month the Inspector-General of Police, after carefully considering the matter, granted conductors' licenses to three young women. They are to work on the Burwood-Sydney motor 'buses, a suburban line. The proprietors of the line advertised for girls, and received a shoal of applications, so the gentle sex is evidently quite ready for this class of work. The Inspector-General called the girls before him when he issued the licenses, and gave them some good advice as to their conduct. He said that if they do the work satisfactorily they may open the way to the introduction of women into other branches of the great system of transport.

At a meeting of the Voluntary Motor Corps, Wellington, a letter was read from Mr. George Shircliffe asking if the corps would be prepared to further the work by combining and endeavouring to provide cars to take out concert parties to Trentham. The committee could not see its way clear to comply with the request, as the corps was not formed for any other purpose than meeting returned soldiers on their return to New Zealand. It was suggested that the secretary ask the Defence Department if it would be possible to enclose a printed statement with the book that is supplied to the returning

have ceased to be members through non-payment of their subscriptions. The total membership is now 261, being an increase of seventeen during the year. All members away from the country on active service are booked as financial. The association, thanks to the ability displayed by its solicitor (Mr. T. E. Maunsell) successfully contested the legality of the by-law of the Greytown Borough Council fixing the speed limit at a uniform rate of twelve miles per hour. The result should be the fixing of speed limits ranging from fifteen miles per hour, through cities and towns, to twenty-five miles per hour on main highways, as recommended by the New Zealand Automobile Union. The election of officers resulted:—Patron, Hon. Sir Walter Buchanan, M.L.C.; president, Mr. Martin Elgar; vice-presidents, Messrs. W. Howard Booth, H. A. Bunny (Carterton), W. W. Benton (Featherston), and D. Smith (Masterton); treasurer, Mr. A. C. Holms; auditor, Mr. J. M. G. McKenzie, F.I.A., N.Z.; committee, Messrs. R. W. C. Steele, A. F. Hogg, H. M. B. Trapp, F. C. Bunny (Carterton), Rev. J. G. S. Bartlett, Messrs. A. J. Toogood, S. Cundy, H. H. Stewart, C. J. Carlyon, M. H. Kendall (Featherston), W. A. Hutton, F. J. White (Greytown), K. McBean Stewart, and a vacancy to be filled later.

A decision hinging on the definition of the word "using," as used in the by-laws governing motor traffic in the city, was given by Mr. E. D. Mosley, S.M., in the Auckland Police Court last week. Frederick G. Alps was charged with having used a motor car which was insufficiently lighted.

The evidence showed that defendant left his car in the street, and while he was away the lights went out. The magistrate held that defendant was not "using" the car, and dismissed the charge. He expressed the opinion that a by-law should be passed to deal with such a case.

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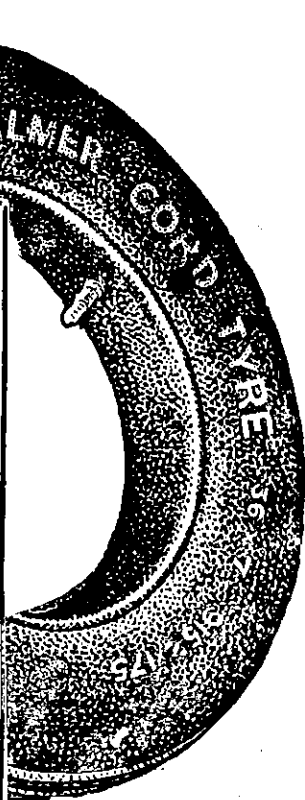
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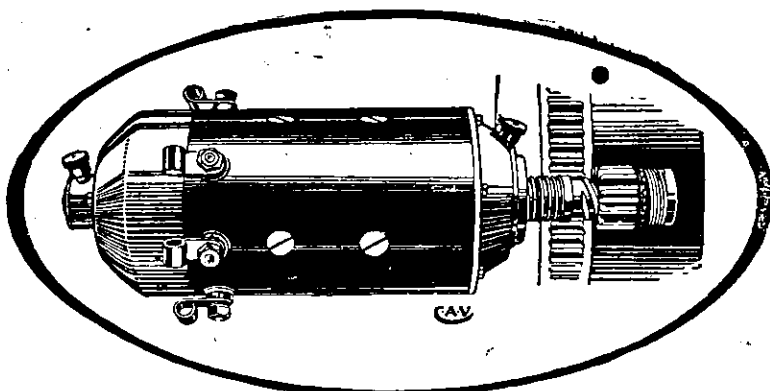
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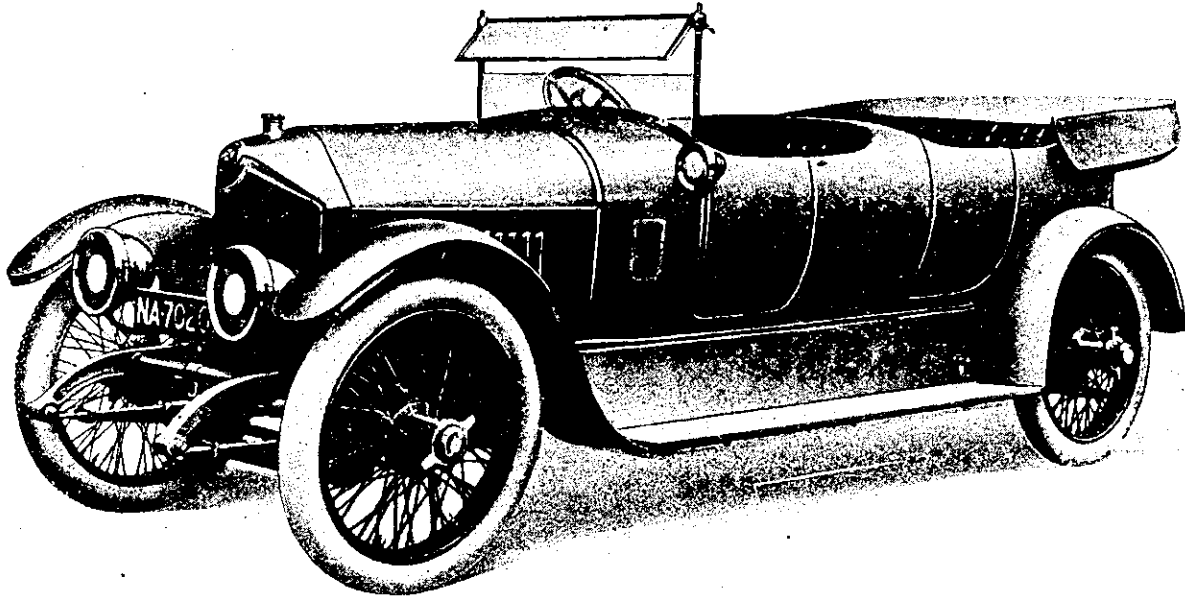
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"You ought to get a bar to the V.C. for that, Jack," were the words that greeted Sergeant John Whittle, V.C., at the close of a little incident at Port Melbourne (reports the "Argus"). Dr. Weigall, president of the Automobile Club, was taking four V.C. heroes, of whom Sergeant Whittle was one, through Port Melbourne in his motor car, when a young and powerful horse attached to a baker's cart was startled by a band and bolted. It was heading straight for the crowd which had assembled along the route, and a tragedy seemed inevitable. Sergeant Whittle sprang out of the motor car, dashed at the horse's head, grasped the reins, and, exerting all his strength, stopped the horse, and finally led it back to a place of safety. It was as he was returning to the motor car amidst the cheers of the crowd that one of his V.C. comrades told him that he had earned a bar to his V.C.

At the Palmerston North Patriotic Society's meeting, a proposal was made by the Manawatu Motor Cycle Club to hold a motor cycle race meeting on the 22nd January, to be run on patriotic lines. The club would undertake the management of the racing, and had already got permission to hold a championship on that day. The club asked the society to find the money for prizes. It was decided to ask the club to be represented at the next meeting of the society to discuss the matter.

A conference of local bodies was held at Gisborne recently to consider the question of motor traffic control. The Mayor, Mr. W. G. Sherratt presided. Mr. L. B. Tullock (chairman of the Waikohu County Council) said he considered the time had arrived for uniform by-laws governing motor traffic. He then called on Mr. C. H. Bridge to speak on the matter, as he had fully gone into the question. Mr. Bridge said that although uniform control throughout the Dominion of motor traffic would be advisable, this could not be done unless the Government took some definite action in the matter. The Waikohu County desired the conference to adopt the principle that a by-law should be framed to govern motor traffic in this district. Correspondence in the matter pointed out that this district was one of the few which did not have some definite by-laws in this respect. If the conference primarily adopted the principle of the matter it would greatly assist the Government in adopting a uniform by-law for the whole of the Dominion. He moved: "That this meeting of delegates of Gisborne Borough Council, Cook and Waikohu Councils, Mangapapa, Patutahi and Te Karaka Town Boards, adopt the principle to jointly frame a by-law to control motor traffic on all the thoroughfares within the bounds of the several local bodies here named, and that each body adopt and enforce the said by-law on all the thoroughfares in the bounds of the borough." Mr. J. R. Redstone seconded. Mr. Dean referred to the question of the licensing of drivers of motor cars. He quoted extracts from the New South Wales regulations, which he considered could be adopted safely in the New Zealand constitution. He supported the proposal. Mr. A. M. Lewis contended that each individual district should control its own traffic. For instance, in Wellington vehicles could travel faster than in Gisborne; therefore by-laws which applied in that city were not practicable in this town. Mr. C. H. Bridge said they could not decide at that sitting any definite by-law beyond affirming the principle of it. The motion was carried unanimously. After some further discussion a committee comprising the chairmen of the respective local bodies with a representative of the Motor Association was appointed to go into the matter and report to a further meeting.

"Aeroplanes will be out here two or three years after the war," declared Lieutenant-Colonel Sleeman, in the course of a lecture in Gisborne on the Air Service. Whilst desirous of refraining from posing as a prophet, the speaker said he was prepared to wager that in two or three years after the war there would be a regular aerial service in New Zealand. From Gisborne he was now proceeding to Tauranga, and if only the Department were to provide him with a machine he could reach Tauranga in an hour or an hour and a half. Wellington would be reached

in a 2½ hours' flight. Already a firm had announced their intention of introducing a London to Paris service and had figured out the fare at £5 a head, which was actually less than the present rail and steamer fares. The lecturer went on to express the opinion that after the war one would be able to buy aeroplanes for about £600, just in the same way as one bought a motor car. Already Sir Joseph Ward had foreshadowed the carrying of mails by aeroplanes, and he was quite right. Newspapers would also be delivered by aeroplane. They would only want landing stages every 20 miles, where the papers would be dropped, and the machines would go on. Amongst the New Zealanders they now had hundreds of pilots, and he had not met one who had not said he was going to continue the "game" after the war. In a country like New Zealand, especially in Gisborne, which was cut off from the rest of the Dominion, aeroplanes would be the solution. To get to Auckland it would be a simple matter to hop into a machine, and they would be there in no time. At the close of the war all the knowledge and experience that had been gained would be disclosed and the public would enjoy the pleasures of the air equally to the pleasures of the sea.

Motor car stealing in the United States has developed to an appalling extent. Careful checking of figures from all parts of that country show that during a period of nine months 22,750 cars were stolen in 50 of the largest cities. Of these, no trace has been found of over 8000. When it is considered that 8000 cars represents four per cent. of the cars made in America during 1917, it will be realised to what a serious extent car thieving has developed in the land

of the Stars and Stripes. Owing to recent developments in this direction, the insurance companies who insure against theft, have had to raise their rates considerably. One American Judge has threatened that any future car thieves brought before him will receive not less than 10 years' imprisonment. Even police cars have been "lifted" in some cities.

American motor car manufacturers will keenly appreciate the approaching climax of the world's greatest war, for peace will save the partial disruption of the American passenger motor car trade, owing to the Government's warning that car manufacturers might have to devote all their efforts to war work after December 31.

Word from Detroit—the hub of the American car industry—states that manufacturers of passenger cars have somewhat recovered from the daze which struck them as the result of the announcement made by the War Industries Board suggesting that it may be necessary to convert all passenger car manufacturing plants into 100 per cent. war work by January 1. Although it was at first received as a serious blow to the industry, the latter's excitement has subsided and the situation is seen with a clearer vision though still with a serious aspect.

Few motorists realise what an enormous quantity of petrol is produced in America. In May last the output was over 319 million gallons, the daily production being over 10 million gallons. Even then the consumption is such that the oil companies at the end of May only had on hand 460 million gallons.

If it is absolutely necessary for the Government to utilise these plants to 100 per cent. capacity, the manufacturers are ready to give them over regardless of the hardship it may cause the passenger car business and its distributing organisation. The decision is not regarded as an order as yet, however, and the manufacturers are waiting to see what the outcome will be.

Already 30,000 miles have been covered by the Washington aeroplane mail service between that city and Philadelphia and New York. The machines used have a maximum speed of 100 miles per hour, and carry upwards of 300lb. of mails. Consideration is now being given to the possible operation of a daily airplane mail route between New York and Chicago, who would cut in half the time between the two greatest cities of the United States and bring the entire West, including the Pacific Coast, 12 hours closer to New York and the Atlantic sea ports.

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ZOE BARTLEY'S PUPILS' RECITAL.

"FLORODORA."

There was a very good house at His Majesty's on Saturday night when the first performance of "Florodora" was given by Auckland amateurs, under the auspices of the Women's Mutual Aid Society, in aid of the Soldiers' Hostel. Influenza had left its mark there with no uncertain note, and prior to the opening Miss Daphne Knight craved the indulgence of the audience. Miss Mabel Oliver, who was cast for the important part of Lady Holyhood, was taken seriously ill early in the evening, and at a quarter to seven Mrs. M. M. McCallum was rung up and generously consented to step into the breach, a gracious act that was recognised with a storm of applause on that lady's entrance. In spite of the handicap of having to read her lines, Mrs. McCallum brought her natural resourcefulness and elocutionary talent to bear, and succeeded in giving a pleasurable delineation of the quick-witted Lady Holyhood. Miss Lalla Knight made a thoroughly adequate Dolores, singing with much charm and infusing the requisite ardour into her characterisation. Her songs, "The Silver Star of Love" and "The Queen of the Phillipine Islands," were delightfully given. Mr. Frank Constant as Abercoed used a light baritone voice to pleasing effect, giving an artistic rendering of "The Shade of the Palm." The droll Tweedlepunch was handled by Mr. Wallace Atkinson, who scored a good many laughs with his vagaries. Miss Myrtle Hillyer was bright and sparkling as Angela Gilfain, and comported herself creditably on the vocal side. Mr. W. Meredith was thoroughly at home as Arthur Donegal, and Mr. Rex Yates made a picturesque Leandro. A popular number was "I Want to Marry a Man, I Do," by Mrs. McCallum, Mr. Atkinson and Miss Hillyer. The sextette "Tell Me Pretty Maiden" was naturally in great favour, the girls looking very smart in distinctive black and white frocks of taffetas and net, topped with large black hats edged with white and long streamers of black velvet. The fact that several of the cast were anything but word perfect, it was sincerely hoped to remedy at the following performances. The success on the musical side was due to the energies of Mr. Leo Whittaker. Outstanding features of the production were the ballets under Miss Daphne Knight's direction, the grace and precision of the dancers being notable. The ballet consisted of Misses Anita Webster, Undine Moeller, Lois Brierly, Rosa Sachs, Grace Fenton, Ruby Shirriffs, Marion Webb, Myrtle Shirriffs, Grace Dawd, Beryl Taylor, Zoe Moore, Elsie Tate. To-night (Wednesday) will be the final performance.

FANCY DANCING.

An exposition of dancing that promises to have unusual features is that to be given by Miss Aileen Beresford and her pupils at His Majesty's Theatre on Saturday and Monday (November 9 and 11). The programmes have been arranged to ensure brevity, and they include the ballets "The Fascination of the Rose," "The Chinese Fete," ragtime specialties introducing new and original turns, patriotic tableaux, etc. The proceeds are in aid of the Red Cross.

Mr. Alan McElwain, the popular amateur comedian and reciter, has been rejected from the C1 Camp as unfit for active service. He is to act as stage manager for the Wellington competitions next month.

Mr. Rud. Petersen, quondam showman and now mine host of the Aratapu Hotel, spent a day or two in Auckland last week trying to convert his former city associates with his views on rural joys. It did not take the cheery Rud long to make friends in the country, and it's the simple life for him every time now.

The prevailing epidemic brought Mr. Walter George to the footlights on Monday night to apologise for the absence of Miss Hylda Shannon and a couple of other members. Still a very enjoyable presentation of "The Pearl of Persia" was given. Miss May Geary did excellent work as the leading harem lady, and sang charmingly the solo "In Monterey." Mr. George Storey, who has barely recovered from influenza, was responsible for all the laughs of the piece, his interpolation with Miss George Martin of "Impressions of Daily Life" being heartily enjoyed. Miss Polly McLaren's Eastern dance was artistically done. Miss Dulcie Milner, Mr. Walter George, Mr. Holly Leslie, and Mr. Frank Haining were prominent in the several successes. In the first part of the entertainment Miss Violet Trevenyon had a flattering reception on her return, and was obliged to give half a dozen numbers, her special hit being "On the Day on Which Peace is Declared." Miss Trevenyon pleases with her pretty frocking as well as her dainty personality, and is a great favourite with all parts of the house. Miss Elsa Brull and Mr. Arthur Hemsley—a couple whose impersonations are worth going a long way to see—gave a turn of endless merriment, representing in turn a Lancashire lad and his lass at the races, a husband and wife and seven imaginary children spending a day at the seaside, and by special request their very clever impression of a couple at the movies. Miss Bessie Lester provided an exhilarating interlude with her dialect songs and stories.

"The Thirteenth Chair" Company terminated their season at His Majesty's on Friday, and returned to Sydney by the Atua. Miss Margaret Wycherly, famed for her characterisation of the leading role, leaves for America on the Niagara's next trip.

Mr. W. A. Low is in Auckland arranging for a season of "The Enemy Within," the sporting film which has done excellent business for him elsewhere.

To give all her numerous pupils an opportunity to appear in public, Miss Zoe Bartley decided this year to divide her dramatic recital into two programmes. These were given in the Town Hall Concert Chamber on Friday and Saturday evenings, and attracted highly appreciative audiences. The items were discriminatingly chosen, and fitted the tiniest maids in recitations pure and simple as happily as the more sophisticated in Shakespearian and dramatic excerpts. An elaborated number that was loudly applauded at both performances was a Chinese musical scene, led by that clever little girl Fay Ballin, assisted by Mr. Edward Bailey and a chorus, the dressing and colour scheme being artistically carried out. Another popular item which marked Miss Ballin's ability for singing and acting was "Mammy's Coal Black Rose," supplemented with a sprightly chorus. "Ashra," a picturesque Indian scene conceived by Miss Zoe Bartley, was prettily enacted by a number of dainty maidens, Miss Freda Bartley taking the role of the Princess. A phantasy on "Hearts" was delightfully done by Miss Ruby Aldridge as Love and Miss Doris Herman as the Maiden. Linda Murphy made a decided hit with her professional-like handling of a musical sketch entitled "Bobby," and had to give a second song. Ysolinde McVeagh was particularly good as Hamlet, giving due weight to the soliloquy, and Freda Maskell made a gentle Ophelia. Jocelyn Dixon was another performer of special merit. The long list of items included every variety of entertaining fare, and all through the performances proof was given of Miss Bartley's aptitude for bringing out talent. Miss Doris Herman acted as accompanist.

Miss Maggie Dickinson takes a prominent part in "Hello, Everybody." In "The Maid of the Mist" she is seen as the "Spirit of the Falls"; a "Sesame" dance is her feature in "Oriental Nights"; in the Wheat Scene she is "The Bridal Rose," and in the grand finale, "The Gathering of the Clans" (Scotland for Ever), a bonnie Hielan' Lassie.



MISS AILEEN BERESFORD, of Auckland, who is holding a dance exposition at His Majesty's Theatre on Saturday and Monday next in aid of the Red Cross.

[Crown Studio, Photo.]

The Kennas with hair-raising and humorous specialty stunts in an aeroplane have been engaged in America for the J. C. Williamson pantomime "Goody Two Shoes."

The New Zealand tour of the Muriel Starr Company has been mapped out as follows:—Auckland, December 26-January 11; Wanganui, January 13, 14; Hawera, January 15; Palmerston North, January 16, 17; Napier, January 18, 20; Masterton, January 21; Wellington, January 22-February 8; Dunedin, February 11-15; Invercargill, February 17, 18; Timaru, February 20, 21; Christchurch, February 22-March 4. The repertoire will consist of "The Bird of Paradise," "The Man Who Came Back," "The Easiest Way," and a revival of "Within the Law." Supporting the star will be Louis Kimball, Frank Harvey, Arthur Styan, Edwin Lester, J. B. Atholwood, Marion Marcus-Clarke, and Norma Mitchell. Mr. W. F. Russell will be business manager of the tour, Mr. Robert Williamson touring manager and Mr. R. McCarthy treasurer.

Miss Violet Trevenyon, who shows a fastidious taste in costuming, is much admired by Opera House patrons this week in an old rose crepe de chine confection, the skirt being accordion pleated and the long tunic coat and cuffs being bordered with a wide hem of ermine, set off with an ermine hat. Her second frock is a dainty pink ninon with a pelerine of shimmery bronze satin touched with posies of pale pink and blue roses, and finished with sash ends of blue. Her hat is carried out in the same tones.

Reginald Newberry, the boy tenor who toured New Zealand and Australia on the Fuller circuit, is resting his voice in Sydney at present. Dame Melba heard the lad sing, and in a letter to his mother said he had a very fine voice indeed. She liked his musical intelligence, and hoped "that when the time comes for his voice to break, that every possible care be taken to give it a chance to mature into a good manly one."



MISS VIVIAN WATSON, as the Masked Dancer, appearing at Miss Beresford's recital.

THE "CHEAPER SEAT" CLAUSE.

MR. JOHN FARRELL AND THE HASTINGS EMBARGO.

Mr. John Farrell, J. C. Williamson's well-known manager, speaks out in an interview in the "Tribune" concerning the "cheaper seat" clause included in the conditions under which the Municipal Theatre, Hastings, is let. This "very objectionable" clause insists that theatrical companies must keep five rows of stalls for the second priced seats. On the majority of occasions that J. C. Williamson, Ltd., attractions visit Hastings patrons of the second priced seats may select positions in ten rows in the stalls, but, of course, when a pantomime or a big musical attraction happens along the booking may be so heavy that before the doors are opened there may be only three or four rows available for patrons of the back stalls, but this rarely happens. "Surely," says Mr. Farrell, "if there are no seats available in the front rows playgoers should not be debarred by the council from securing positions in the five back rows, should they wish to do so. It is really the principal of facilitating matters for our patrons that we are endeavouring to protect. The conditions under which all other theatres are let do not include a like clause to that which we refer, and we regret that we cannot present any of our attractions at Hastings until the clause is rescinded from the Hastings by-laws."

HUGE TRANSIT EXPENSES.

Mr. Farrell also throws interesting light on the transit of big theatrical

ment have not been increased since the war, consequently most of the companies sent to New Zealand during the past four years by the J. C. Williamson, Ltd., management have proved losers. Ship freights have increased by close on 100 per cent., railway and boat fares have been considerably raised, the cost to produce the plays has risen in every department, and the artists' salaries have also been greatly increased owing to the high cost of living, and also to the fact that there is at present a shortage of performers because of the very large number of actors who are on active service."

TERENCE RAMSDALE, ENTERTAINER.

A much travelled entertainer who is visiting New Zealand for the first time is Mr. Terence Ramsdale, at present holiday making in the Auckland district. For the past fifteen years Mr. Ramsdale has been touring the East, visiting all the big cities as well as the most outlandish places, appearing in numerous remote stations never previously visited by any white performer.

Mr. Ramsdale was brought up to a stage career from his early boyhood, his father and mother being among the first to appear on the music hall stage in London. When he was 14 years old, his father started out with a pantomime venture of his own, and had three companies in the United Kingdom out at a time. Short character sketches and quick changes are his metier, and the whole world

May Yohe, the well-known American actress, was married in August to Lord Hope.

The only professional comedy company now in New Zealand is J. and N. Tait's company playing "Peg o' My Heart." This company has now been touring New Zealand for over two months, and is still going strong. It is due in Auckland in December.

The two young soldiers, Hampden Booth and John Patrick, who are responsible for "Kitty Nobody," the play included in "Honi Soit" at the Tivoli, will be gratified at the success of their venture, says Sydney "Sun." Although soldiers, however, they do not bring a pretence hand to stage business. John Patrick had considerable acting experience to guide him, and Hampden Booth handles the pen as readily and effectively as the bayonet. Still, it is something of an achievement for two New Zealanders to write convincingly of New York art life.

A prominent Auckland who has nearly reached the allotted span of three score years and ten was tempted to attend a theatre the other evening for the first time in 44 years. Vaudeville was the lure that induced him to depart from his anchoritic ways, and the Opera House had the pleasure of unfolding to him the jollier aspect of life.

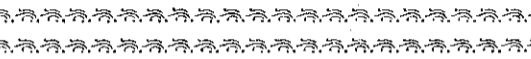
Miss Muriel Starr is at present appearing in "The Great Divide" at the Criterion, Sydney. The story is of a dreaming, high-spirited girl, left alone

Signor Lucien Cesaroni, the handsome basso recently with the Cappelli Concert Company, is staying in Wellington until the end of the year, when he will go to Tasmania to take part in ten classical concerts.

How she nearly sang for the Kaiser and was prevented from filling the engagement on account of a great tragedy in her life (the death of her mother) is told by Alice Nielsen, the American opera and concert singer. Just before the world at large began to fight for democracy, and when it was the vogue and ambition of American prima donnas to sing at the royal courts, a series of such engagements had been arranged for Miss Nielsen in the courts of Europe. The date of her appearance at Kiel, the summer palace of Emperor Wilhelm, had been set and her gown ordered from Paris for the occasion. It was at the time when tight skirts were the vogue, but that style of dress was tabooed by the Empress. The American singer was in distress, for she vowed she would not wear anything that did not look smart. As is usual with Miss Nielsen, her sense of the fitness of things solved the problem and she ordered her gown made after the fashion of the Empress Maria Louise period, in compliment to the sovereigns for whom she was to sing. On the day her gown was delivered to her, she received a cable from New York telling her of her mother's death. This changed all Miss Nielsen's plans. She immediately notified the administrator of functions at Kiel that it would be impossible for her to appear at the royal court as scheduled, explaining the cause, but in reply she received word that in spite of her bereavement she was still expected to sing as arranged. Did she do it? Not Alice Nielsen. No command through the house of the Hohenzollerns could dissuade Miss Nielsen from her desire to respect her mother's memory by cancelling all her appearances. "Now that Germany has proved herself such a monster," says Miss Nielsen to an American interviewer, "I feel I was blessed to have been spared the memory of that event in my musical career."



MR. TERENCE RAMSDALE, a monologue entertainer, who opens a New Zealand tour shortly.



The Cockney: Mr. Ramsdale in one of his character studies.

companies and increased expenses arising from the war. "There is no part of New Zealand which is enjoyed by members of theatrical companies so much as Hawke's Bay, and Napier and Hastings must be numbered with the best show towns in the Dominion, that is so far as theatre lovers are concerned. Unfortunately, however, their geographical position makes both of them bad propositions from a financial point of view. This may sound strange to those who are not acquainted with the huge expenses incurred in bringing a big spectacular pantomime to these parts. To convey a pantomime company from Wellington means an outlay of close on £200 for fares, another £25 has to be paid out for freight, the salaries of the company amount to £200 per night, to which has to be added high royalties on the pieces, the rent of the theatre, advertising and sundry other expenses. Roughly it costs £900 to play two nights at Napier and one night at Hastings, and it is quite impossible for the takings to reach anything like this amount. One will ask: Why do big companies visit Hawke's Bay if it is a certainty they must lose money and the answer is a certain amount of time has to be devoted to New Zealand tours, and the money lost in the provincial towns is invariably made up in the larger centres, where longer seasons can be played. I would like to impress upon the public that while the expenses of theatrical companies have increased by close on 100 per cent., the charges for theatrical entertainments under the J. C. Williamson, Ltd., manage-

over—he had five years experience in London and the leading provincial towns before setting out on his lengthy tour—he has won gratifying opinions for his entertainments. A glance at a sheaf of testimonials shows Mr. Ramsdale to be a refined and amusing entertainer, an inimitable delineator of character, and an actor of great cleverness and versatility.

Mr. Ramsdale, whose New Zealand tour will be under the management of Mr. W. Randall, known in theatrical enterprises of earlier days, will open his season in Auckland during Christmas week, when the public can expect something out of the ordinary in monologic recitals.

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Miss Harris, the Feilding pianist, travelling with the "Peg o' My Heart" Company, who met with a severe accident at Reefton, is now quite recovered, and is again with the company.

Fred Bluett, comedian, is at present in Dunedin at the Fuller house, repeating his old successes with up-to-the-moment songs and business.

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Mr. and Mrs. John Farrell are staying at Cargen.

Coats and skirts were the order of the day at the Trentham races, according to a Wellington writer. The weather lent itself for sensible and serviceable raiment only.

The engagement is announced of Miss Gwendoline Bull, elder daughter of Mr. James Bull, "Makaraka," Hunterville, to Mr. Bernard Glasgow, elder son of Mr. A. H. Glasgow, Wanganui.

Mrs. H. Barry and Miss Barry, of Cambridge, are on a visit to Auckland and are staying at Arundel.

Nurse E. Laing, who has been masseuse at the Napier Hospital for some time, and is proceeding to England, is visiting her relatives at Auckland. She will take up military duties on her arrival in England.

The Minister for Justice, the Hon. T. M. Wilford, is strongly against the appointment of women police. He says:—"The only women, in my opinion, who would be fit to be women police are women who would not take such positions."

Mrs. Hastings Bridge, who was in England at the outbreak of the war, has returned to Christchurch. Her daughter, Mrs. Burrows, whose husband was killed in March, 1916, has remained in England to continue her medical studies at the London Hospital.

A Scouts' wedding took place at St. Peter's Church, Wellington, on October 28, the Rev. H. Watson officiating, when Scout Commander Walter Phillips was married to Miss Amy Gladys Lawrence. The bridegroom wore Scouts' officer's uniform, and ten officers and one hundred Scouts paraded, and formed an arch of staves and flags.

A London cable states that as the result of the House of Commons' acceptance of the desirability of admitting women to the House on an equal footing with men, women entered the Strangers' Gallery, the first to enter being Mrs. Walter Kerr, of New Zealand.

During a thanksgiving service at Alban's Church, Eastbourne (Wellington), for the unconditional surrender of Bulgaria, the Rev. O. M. Stent, vicar, dedicated for use in the church a beautiful double set of Communion vessels, which had been presented by Miss Mary Seddon, in memory of her brother, Captain R. J. S. Seddon, who was recently killed in France.

At the opening of Parliament last week, His Excellency the Governor-General was accompanied by the Countess of Liverpool, who was presented by the Acting-Speaker, the Hon. Mr. Carncross, with a beautiful bouquet of lilies of the valley and maidenhair fern. Mrs. Massey and Lady Ward were also presented with bouquets. Subsequently Their Excellencies gave a very largely-attended afternoon tea at Government House, Ministers and members of both Houses with their wives and daughters being among those who were present. Her Excellency wore a gown of soft black chiffon with touches of mauve, and a wide black hat. She also wore her badge of Dame of the Order of the British Empire, as did other recipients of the various degrees of the Order. Mrs. Massey wore a black silk costume with furs and a black hat, and she carried the bouquet which had been presented her at the opening of Parliament. Lady Ward was in black, with furs and a small black hat, and carried her bouquet of mauve flowers.

Mrs. Cameron, senr., of Hastings, has in the last four years knitted (at the rate of three pairs per week) 620 pairs of socks for soldiers at the front.

The wedding took place in St. John's Church, Wellington, on October 25 of Miss Ivy Iorns, youngest daughter of Mr. W. Iorns, of Masterton, to Captain Munro M. McRae, M.C., son of the late Alexander McRae, Strathcarrow, Rosshire, Scotland. The bride was till recently on the staff of Solway College, Masterton. The bridegroom, Captain McRae, has been three and a half years on active service with the Argyle and Sutherland Highlanders in France and Serbia. Later he returned to France with the Northumberland Fusiliers, and for his services at the Battle of Arras, in April, 1917, he was awarded the Military Cross. He is returning to England at an early date to take up his duties with the R.A.M.C.

Geddes, "but we must have a bright, attractive place, or else the girls will not come to us, for we have to compete with so many outside attractions." Inspiring addresses were also made by Mr. Todd-Smith (who pointed out that the building, with furnishings, had cost approximately £19,000, and carried a debt of £8000), by Miss Griffin (who trusted that the new building would be a centre which would radiate influence throughout the community), the Hon. Geo. Fowlds, Mr. P. R. Kenny, and Mr. H. M. Smeeton. Afterwards the numerous guests present were entertained at afternoon tea in the cafeteria, the arrangements being splendidly carried out. The building was thrown open for inspection, the various rooms with their artistic and cosy equipment being enthusiastically admired. The association stands for the development of a perfect womanhood, and meets the needs of every side of the girl's nature.

plies for the soldiers, but actually digging trenches against the possible invasion of the Germans at the time of their great drive.

Mrs. Elizabeth Sutherland, of Auckland, died last week at the age of 104 years. She retained her faculties up to the last.

A very pretty wedding took place at St. Mary's Cathedral, Parnell, on Wednesday, October 30, when Miss Esther M. O'Callaghan, younger daughter of the Rev. T. M. O'Callaghan, D.D. (formerly vicar of St. George's Church, Thames), and Mrs. O'Callaghan, was married to Captain George P. Rogers, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Rogers, of Blenheim. The bride, who was given away by Mr. J. W. Tibbs, looked most winsome in a graceful frock of palest grey taffetas, the sleeves and tunic being composed of georgette, and a swathing of sunset pink tulle on the bodice giving a delicate and charming finish. Her chic black tulle hat was enlivened with subtle touches of silver, pale blue and heliotrope, and her bouquet was of pink and cream roses. Miss Nancy Stubbs (cousin), who was bridesmaid, looked very dainty in a cream georgette frock inlet with filet lace, and a distinctive hat of black and jade green tulle. Lieutenant Coombes was best man. The ceremony was performed by the bride's father, assisted by Archdeacon MacMurray. Later the bridal party were entertained to afternoon tea by the bride's parents. Mrs. O'Callaghan wore a smart fawn costume with black marabout stole and black tagel hat. Those present included Mrs. C. E. Armstrong, the bride's sister, Mrs. Stubbs, Dr. and Mrs. Rogers and Mr. and Mrs. Stace, Hamilton, Miss N. Rogers, Blenheim, and Miss Tibbs. Captain and Mrs. Rogers are spending their honeymoon in the Hot Lakes District.

A Sydney "Sun" writer has the following to say on the fashions at Randwick: Perfect spring weather, with a lingering suspicion of a winter wind—the latter justifying the carrying or wearing of a light topcoat—was responsible for a really wonderful display of gowns, hats, bags, foot-gear, and exquisite hosiery, and very charming accessories, the veil of the moment being something more than this—nearly a fetish—for hardly was there a hat on the face beneath it unswathed with the ubiquitous yashmak—tulle. It was to be seen in every hue and shade and tone, and worn by matron, maid, and flapper. Certainly it was the one touch that made the feminine world kin. The Oriental note did not end here. Most of the silks and ninons used for the fashioning of elaborate frocks owed their origin or their designs to the looms of the East. Arabesques and hieroglyphics printed and stamped and embroidered were used in alluring ways and allied to others no less subtle, though of a contrasting one-tone effect. Beads, too, played their part more than bravely, and on the latest of tunic models, "imported" breathing from every fold and bugle, the application of cut glass or wood as a trimming was positively educational. Lace, too—filet mostly—trimmed a vast number of good frocks. Bags deserve something more than passing mention. The simple leather or silk utility affair has by degrees been metamorphosed into an object of delightful art, and Randwick frockers outvied one another in a desire to carry the most original "dilly" receptacle. The novel galleon-covered card bag was a first favourite, but crazy silks, with the mandarin tassel and jade or amber cabochons, were also to the fore. Parasols—Japanese and pagodas, in charming tints, with bamboo or ivory ribs and mounts—supplied relief notes to a number of green and grey frocks, and as the throng was not so great as on other days, these were seen to full advantage.

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An important era of progress in the work of the Y.W.C.A. in Auckland is marked by the opening of the handsome new building which took place last Thursday. There was a very large gathering of citizens at the ceremony, and the social hall was crowded. On the platform were the Mayor and Mayoress (Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Gunson), Mrs. J. McKail Geddes, president of the association, Miss Elsie Griffin, secretary, and members of the Board of Directors. A dedication service was conducted by Archdeacon MacMurray, and an eloquent address was given by the Rev. Knowles Kempton. In the course of a congratulatory speech, Mr. Gunson said the opening of so fine a building had been brought about by two things—the strong faith of the association in its work, and the generosity of the public which had subscribed to the building campaign. He trusted that its work on behalf of the girl-life of the city would increase and prosper. "Some people have said that the building is far too extravagant," said Mrs.

Speaking at the annual meeting in Wellington of the Society for the Protection of Women and Children Sir Joseph Ward said that the war could not have been carried on by Great Britain but for the work of the women. That fact was absolutely indisputable. They had taken the places of over three millions of men who had gone to the war, and if those men had not been freed by the women it would have been a greatly weakened force that would have represented Britain in the titanic struggle that was taking place across the Channel. Women were to be found doing all kinds of work, even to shovelling coal for the engines in the railway yards, working in shipyards, doing riveting, tarring, in fact every imaginable kind of work that was previously done by men, and the women were doing it cheerfully, too, carrying on until America was ready to send her overflowing numbers across the Atlantic. Their courage, too, was magnificent. In France women were working everywhere, not only driving motor lorries with sup-

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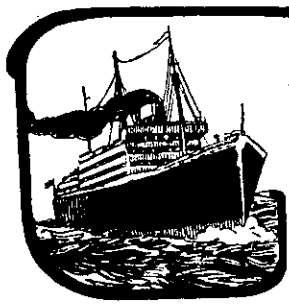
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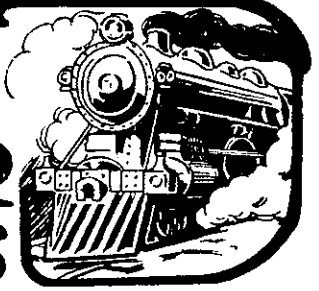
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Dr. Barnett, who has been absent on military duties for some time, has returned to Palmerston North.

Captain Bruce Bairnsfather, the clever caricaturist, who has been on a war mission to America, has returned to England owing to ill-health.

Mr. W. A. Kennedy, manager at Wellington for the Union Steam Ship Company, has returned from a holiday trip to Wanganui and Rotorua.

Mr. Otto Wadsted, Consul-General for Denmark at Melbourne, passed through Wellington last week on his way to South America.

A Palmerston North team of pigeons flew from Patea to Palmerston on Wednesday week in 85 minutes, an air line distance of 80 miles.

Captain J. Manuel Montalva and Lieutenant Jorge V. Lopez Vidau, of the Chilean training ship General Baquenado, were entertained at dinner at the Wellington Club by Mr. J. B. Harcourt, president of the Wellington Racing Club, and next day were the guests of the Racing Club at Trentham.

The Hon. Charles Hill-Trevor, who was on the staff of Lord Ranfurly in New Zealand, being unable on account of his age to obtain service with any branch of the British service, has joined the French Red Cross as a private, and is serving with the forces.

A remarkable feat was recently accomplished by a 12-year-old girl named Delany, of Tahuna, Nelson. She was placed in charge of a mob of 500 sheep, and drove it all the way from the Moutere into Nelson. Not a single animal was lost.

His Majesty's Trade Commissioner in New Zealand (Mr. R. W. Dalton), who left Wellington some two months ago in order to make an official tour of the United Kingdom, has arrived in London.

The death occurred in Masterton last week of Mr. Arthur R. Bunny, Crown Prosecutor for the Wairarapa. The deceased, who was 73 years of age, was the second son of the late Mr. Henry Bunny, at one time a member of the House of Representatives. He leaves a widow and family of seven.

"As regards this country," said Mr. Massey in an interview before he left London, "I am convinced that we shall have to do more than we have done in the way of publicity. It is quite true that New Zealand stands high in the public estimation in the United Kingdom by reason of the character and the fighting capacity of her troops, as well as the quality of her produce, but something more requires to be done. Both Canada and Australia are spending very large sums of money for publicity purposes, and in proportion to our population we shall have to do something similar."

Speaking from personal observations at the front of the spirit of the British forces, Mr. Alexander Watson, the English elocutionist, informed a "Dominion" interviewer that it was something too superbly sacred to speak about. Frankly, I was depressed in England (he said), but at the front there was not the slightest trace of depression. It was the finest pick-me-up a man could have to note the glorious spirit of the men under all sorts of miserable conditions. He had seen the men lying happily in puddles of water and patches of mud by the roadside—lying down by word of command, and sleeping the sleep of just men on the instant. What caused it all? He attributed it in the main to the fine spirit of camaraderie between the men. Bill knew that Jack and Tom had to put up with it all cheerfully, so Bill had no course but to do likewise, and perhaps at the back of it all there was a sustaining and inspiring influence such as comes to all who fight the good fight. Could such a spirit exist in the German lines? He doubted it.

The South African cricketer, Gordon White, has succumbed to wounds in Palestine.

The Hon. G. Carson, M.L.C., has been granted leave of absence for the session on account of ill-health.

Captain Esmond Napier, M.C. (son of Mr. W. J. Napier, Auckland, has been promoted to major. He left with the 20th Reinforcement, and was gassed early in 1917 and wounded this year at Gravenstafel. He won his M.C. some six months ago.

An official return shows that up to October 14 the New Zealand Expeditionary Force had lost 15,051 men killed in action or died of wounds or sickness. This total comprised 689 officers and 14,362 non-commissioned officers and men.

Lieutenant A. E. Cain, R.N.R., formerly master of the Union Company's Kaitangata, has been awarded the Distinguished Service Cross.

Mr. R. Vance, who died from injuries received through being accidentally shot at the Awapuni Ambulance Camp, was formerly a resident of Blenheim. He relinquished his business there a few months ago in order to take up the position of Y.M.C.A. secretary at Awapuni. He is survived by a widow and two sons, both of whom are on active service.

Some 600 men have gone from the London "Times" to join the King's Forces. Of these 40 have been killed in battle and 110 have been disabled by wounds or sickness.

Captain T. W. Rutherford, son of the late Mr. John Rutherford, of Wairere, Masterton, has died from pneumonia in a hospital in Persia. The deceased left with the Main Body as a sergeant.

The increasing number of returned soldiers in our streets these days recalls (says the Christchurch "Sun") a protest made recently by the "Daily Mail" on the subject of the military salute. While repudiating the idea that the salute should be abandoned altogether, the "Mail" protested very strongly against the necessity of saluting at a casual meeting in the streets. In the interests of the officers no less emphatically than of the n.c.o.'s and men, it is maintained that the only salutes now necessary in London were those made on parade, or when a subordinate approached or stopped a senior to speak to him more or less formally. Everyone knows, of course, that this is largely the practice now; but why, asked the "Mail," not put the thing definitely in order?

The Australian and New Zealand editors are to tour the United States as the guests of the Committee of Public Information.



A snapshot on the Wellington Bowling Club's green during a recent inter-club tournament. From left: G. M. Julius (Hataitai), J. Ryder (Seatoun), L. Goldfinch (Lyal Bay), J. Muir (Wellington), W. H. Morrah (Lyal Bay).

Mr. F. H. Burbush, who returned from active service four months ago, has been appointed officer-in-charge of the new employment bureau in Victoria Street for returned soldiers. There were 22 applications for the position.

The success of the efforts of the Otago Acclimatisation Society to establish trout of the rainbow variety in Lake Hawea becomes more apparent each succeeding year (says a correspondent to the "Daily Times.") Several hundred thousand fry have been secured in the Timaru Creek this season, and hatched for liberation in the lakes and streams of Upper Clutha. From an angler's point of view the attractiveness of the district is greatly enhanced by the successful introduction of a fine sporting fish, and in the streams around Lake Hawea and in the lake itself, under favourable conditions, good sport may be obtained.

A prominent Wellington resident has passed away in the person of Mr. Charles William Adams, who died at his residence, Lower Hutt, Wellington, on October 29. He was formerly chief surveyor and Commissioner of Crown Lands, Marlborough, and was a brilliant mathematician. He leaves a widow, five sons and a daughter. His sons are Dr. C. E. Adams, Government astronomer, Wellington; Arthur Henry Adams, the well-known writer and journalist, now on the staff of the "Daily Telegraph," Sydney; Cecil Francis Adams, of New South Wales; George F. King Adams, of the Indian Civil Service; and O. G. Adams, now in the Field Service, Egypt; and the daughter, Mrs. J. E. D. Spicer, of Auckland.

Mr. C. Hampton Thorp, second son of Mr. John W. Thorp, of Paeroa, has been appointed director of press and publicity for the Australian Y.M.C.A. in the United Kingdom and France, with headquarters in London. Mr. Thorp has been on active service with the Light Horse and the Australian infantry.

It is stated that a great many hospital surgeons count stamp-collecting as one of their best allies in cases of shell-shock and nerve prostration.

In an address at the annual conference in Wellington of the Association of New Zealand Chambers of Commerce, the Prime Minister incidentally mentioned the prospect of an early peace. In doing so, he said that it was an open secret that the plans for the demobilisation of the Army were so well forward that if the war were to end to-morrow the men could start to get away home the next day; that is, if the ships were available. It was not generally known that at present there were about 700 British ships in the North Atlantic. British ships were doing 65 per cent. of the carrying trade in that region. Ship-building was being energetically taken in hand, not only in Britain, but in other countries, even in China and Japan. A very rapid improvement in the position was not to be expected, but he was confident it would come in time. Turning to questions of trade, Mr. Massey said that Britain would probably be still New Zealand's principal market, and there was the possibility of big trade with America, but the possibility of the Islands trade must not be lost sight of. Many of the islands in the Pacific were going to be very important places in the

years to come. There was Fiji, our nearest neighbour. When the time came, why should New Zealand not supply her with her goods and take from her her tropical products? But something more should be done. He would not go so far as to say that Fiji should join us politically, but he could see no reason why there should not be commercial reciprocity. Fiji was on the direct line to the Panama Canal, and that route was going to be the principal one to Europe in the future. The speaker added that he advocated the provision of faster ships, when possible; ships to do the journey to Britain in thirty days.

In defence matters, urged the Hon. A. F. Hawke, in the Legislative Council, the Government should take the people more into its confidence. For instance, he was told the other day that 1500 consumptive soldiers had been returned to New Zealand. This was not true. Only 600 consumptive soldiers had been returned to the Dominion; 300 had been cured, and 300 were still in hospital. At the Rotorua Hospital the patients were not getting the attention they should. It was stated that the consumptive soldiers were considered cured in three months. Consumption should be treated with the greatest care in New Zealand, and should be on no account handled carelessly. What was wanted really was a citizens' committee to look after the soldiers. It did not matter if the country's war debt mounted to £250,000,000; the soldiers should be properly looked after.

As the American papers have for weeks past been printing photographs of the super-Dreadnought of the air, which, by this time has probably made its appearance on the Western front, it is disclosing no secret to the enemy to say that if this gigantic bomber is only half a formidable as it looks the Germans are in for a particularly dirty time (says "Lloyd's News"). It would not be surprising if one of these monsters, which in length extends to what the Americans call a "block," was the first machine to cross the Atlantic by air. They have on trials covered more than the distance between America and Europe, at an average speed of 90 miles an hour. It is scarcely an exaggeration to say that each of them could carry a platoon of American soldiers across the ocean, in addition to petrol and provisions.

"I hope the Government is not going to send any more married men away to the war," remarked Mr. G. Witty (Riccarton) in the House. He gave an opinion that as the war was nearly over it should not be necessary to send such men, especially as "any amount of single men had escaped."



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The following are the "Ten Commandments" of Marshal Foch, Generalissimo of the Entente forces, for the conduct of the soldiers of the Allies:—Keep your eyes and ears ready and your mouth in the safety notch, for it is your soldierly duty to see and hear clearly, but, as a rule, you should be heard mainly in the sentry challenges or the charging cheer. Obey orders first, and, if still alive, kick afterward if you have been wronged. Keep your arms and equipment clean and in good order; treat your animals kindly and fairly and motor or other machine as though it belonged to you, and was the only one in the world. Do not waste your ammunition, your gas, your food, your time, for your opportunity. Never try to fire an empty gun nor fire at an empty trench, but when you shoot, shoot to kill, and forget not that at close quarters a bayonet beats a bullet. Tell the truth squarely, face the music, and take your punishment like a man; for a good soldier won't lie, he doesn't sulk, and is no squealer. Be merciful to the women of your foe, and shame them not, for you are a man; pity and shield the children in your captured territory, for you were once a helpless child. Bear in mind that the enemy is your enemy and the enemy of humanity until he is killed or captured; then he is your dead brother or your fellow-soldier beaten or ashamed, whom you should no further humiliate. Do your best to keep your head clear and cool, your body clean and comfortable, and your feet in good condition, for you think with your head, fight with your body, and march with your feet. Be of good cheer and high courage; shirk neither work nor danger; suffer in silence and cheer the comrade at your side with a smile. Dread defeat, but not wounds; fear dishonour, but not death, and die game; and, whatever the task, remember the motto of the division: "It Shall be Done."

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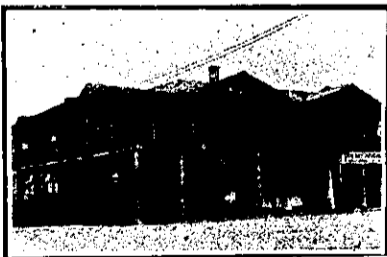
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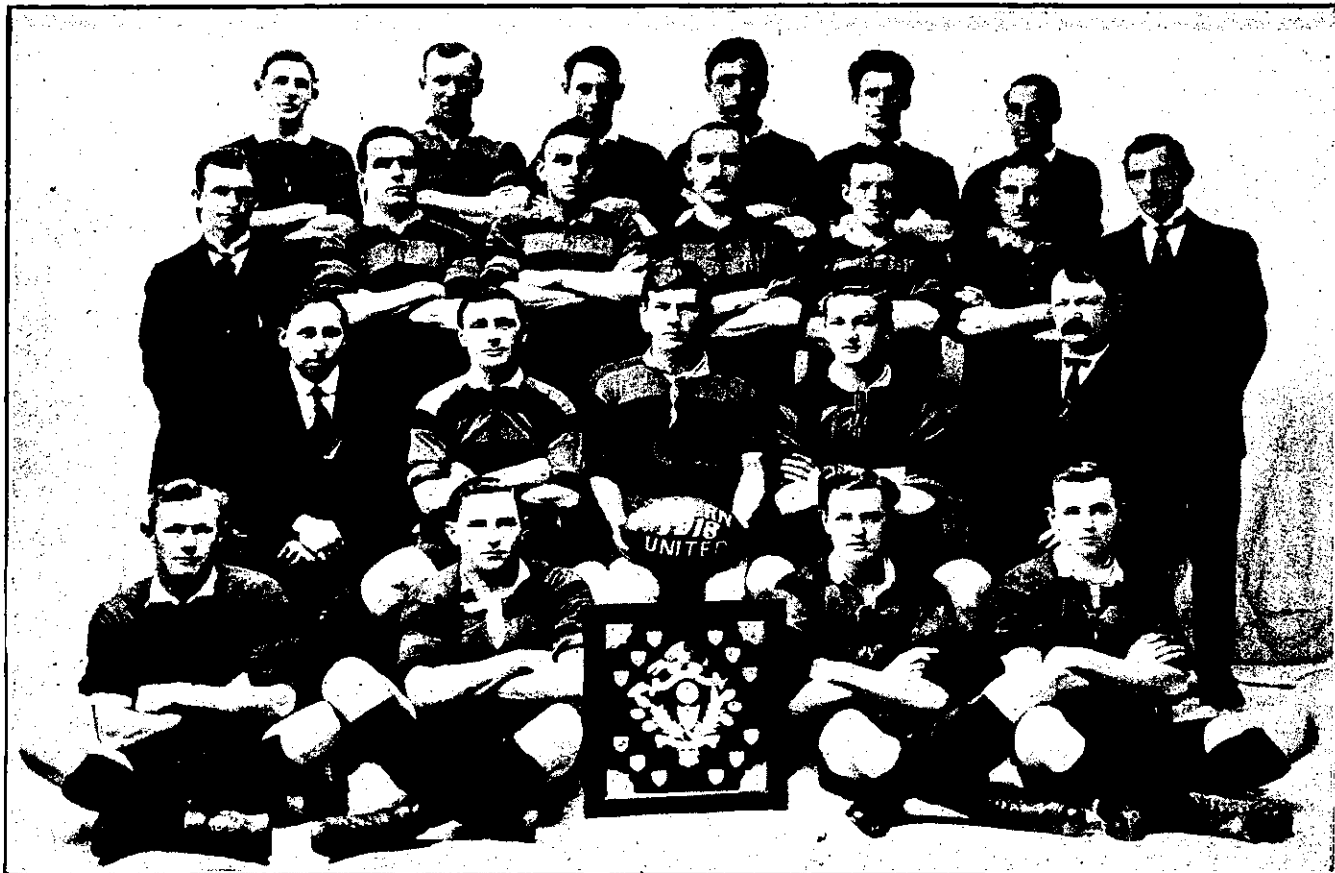
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Speaking in favour of a high preferential duty against German goods in the future, Mr. J. H. Marriner, of the Christchurch Chamber of Commerce, said at the recent conference that in the past some exporting houses in England had made vast fortunes by importing great quantities of manufactures from Germany and Austria, and assembling and baxing them up, and exporting them as British manufactures. The boxes were marked accordingly, but there were no marks at all on the goods themselves. Mr. Marriner pointed out that the greatest part of the cost of the articles was expended in labour, and that meant the enriching of the nation where that labour was employed. Other speakers emphasised the fact that a great deal of foreign capital had been employed in allegedly English manufacturing firms, and that such a practice should be rigidly guarded against in the future.

Dr. J. Hardie-Neil, of Auckland, who has been awarded the D.S.O., has already been decorated for services in the present war, receiving the French Croix de Guerre in February last. Dr. Hardie Neil served right through the South African War with the New Zealand Forces.

Well over £100,000 is given away to beggars in London streets every year, it was stated in a report at the centenary meeting of the London Mendicity Society. It is probable, added the report, that the average beggar gets more than the average working man earns. People who slept in London streets have disappeared and many beds in work-houses are now vacant.

The following official wireless message has been received in Sydney from Washington by the American Consul-General:—Throughout the country the census of U.S. manpower was taken in September, with registration of 13,000,000 between the ages of 18 and 45 for service. The day was observed as a national holiday, and there were patriotic demonstrations everywhere. President Wilson has signed the joint Congress resolution empowering him to establish prohibition zones around shipyards and munition factories and war industries.



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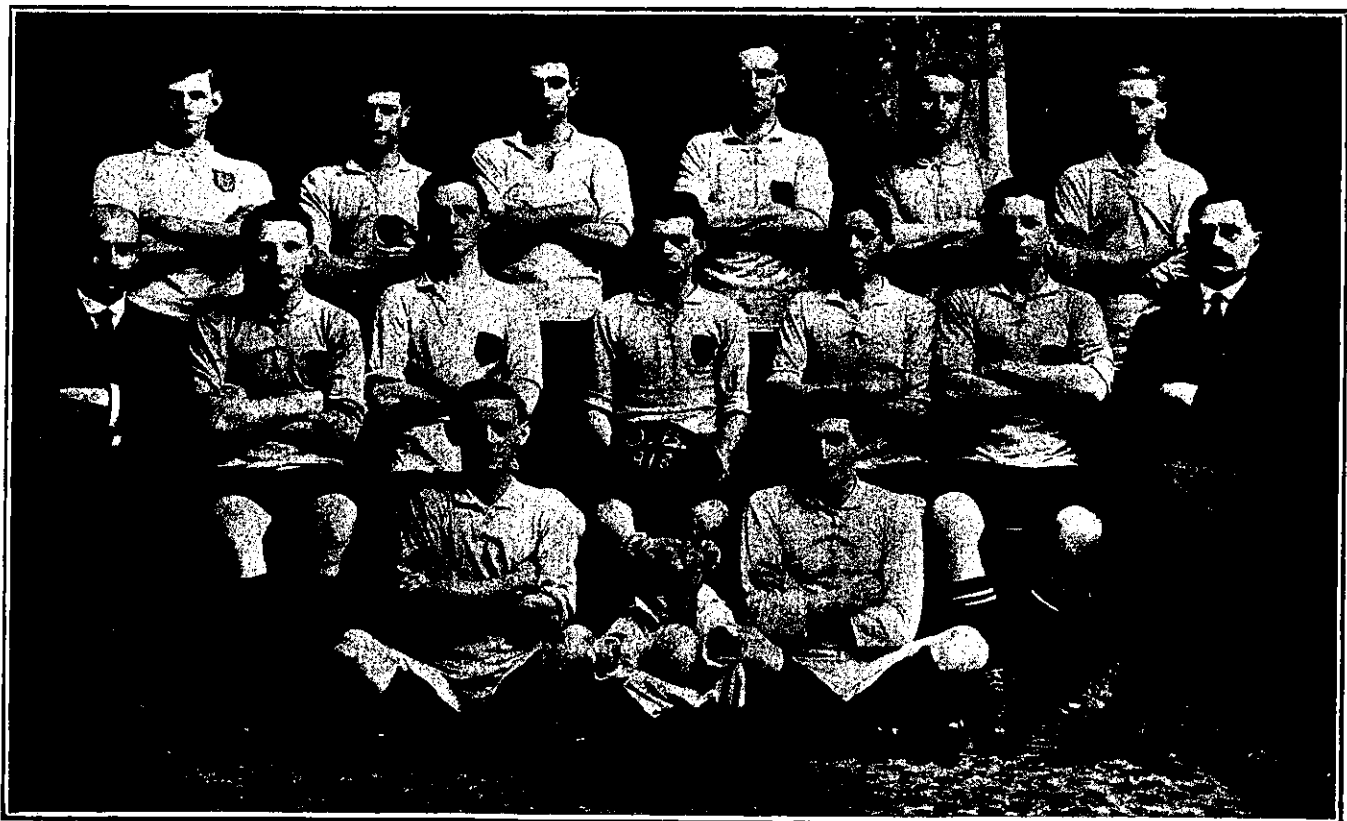
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Though the New Zealand Ministry has received an intimation that in future cargo space on outward-bound vessels will be reserved for the carriage of wool, to the exclusion of general merchandise, no such direction has been received by the Commonwealth shipping authorities (stated the Melbourne Argus on 28th, September). At the present time the shipping of all classes of freight from Australian ports is governed by the British Government's "priority list" system.

The newly-formed Anglers' Club at Lumsden, Southland, lately held a field day for the Copper Trail which resulted in a very good catch. In all 192 beautiful fish were caught of a total weight of 215lb. Mr. Ogilvy returned the best bag, his tally of 14 fish weighing 46 1/2lb. Mr. J. Scott was second. He landed 13 fish weighing 37lbs.

"Lloyd's Register of Shipping" states that recent experiments with cast steel cables instead of cables of wrought iron have proved so successful that sanction has been given to their use. These cables are stronger than iron, of less weight, and can be made in a quarter of the time. The United States Shipping Board has placed a contract for £200,000 for these new steel cables.

"Barbarism," was the comment of Judge Lloyd Morgan at Carmarthen County Court, when he was informed that a pair of gloves and a pair of cuffs had been put in a dead man's coffin. The witness said this was an old funeral custom in West Wales.

"I consider that a motor cycle on a road at night without a light is more dangerous than a motor car under similar conditions," said Mr. F. V. Fraser, S.M., during the hearing of a case at the Magistrate's Court, Wellington. "A motor car usually can be seen approaching, but a motor cycle has a habit of appearing on the scene when least expected."

At the Gisborne Police Court a man was charged with driving a motor car round a corner at an excessive speed. Defendant said he was conversant with the requirements of the law, but had forgotten them when he was called to the hospital to see his son, who was dangerously ill. His Worship said it was found by the Supreme Court at Wellington that even the ambulance had to proceed in conformity with the law. Defendant was fined 10s, with costs.

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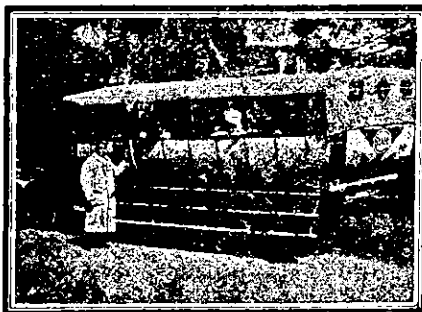
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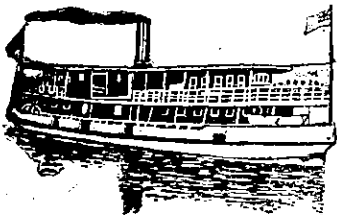
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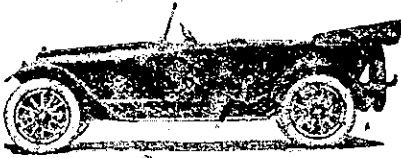


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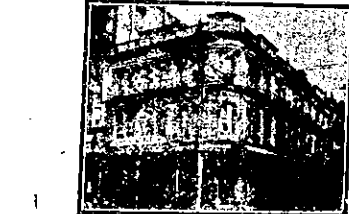
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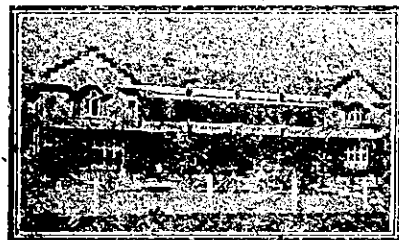
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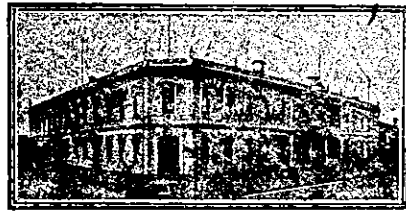
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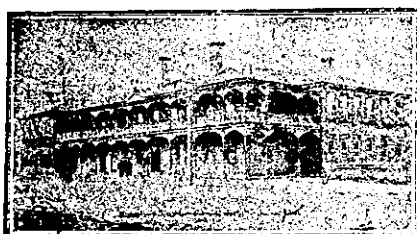
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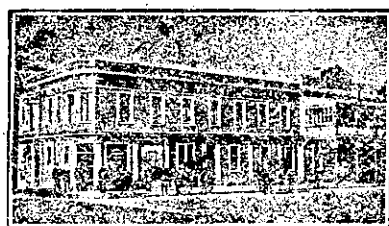
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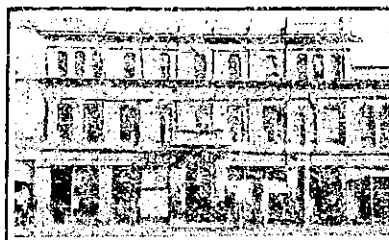
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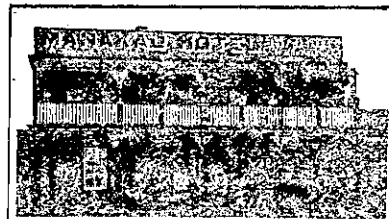


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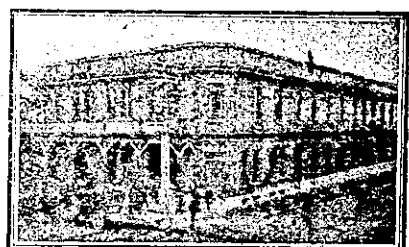


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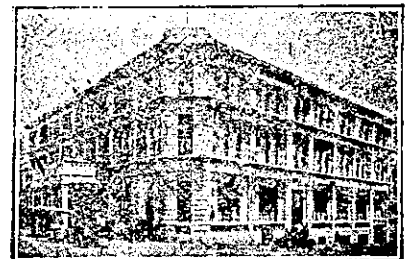
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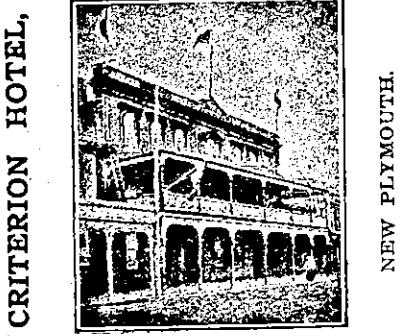
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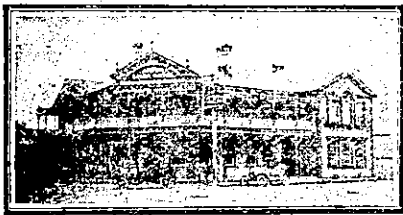
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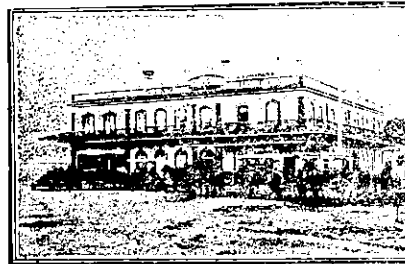
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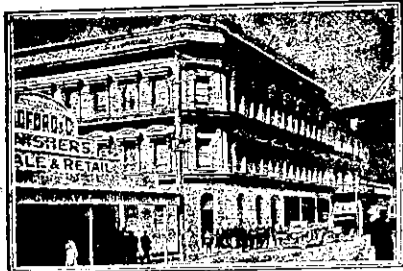
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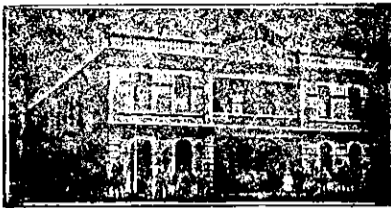
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