

ing up of passenger vessels due to the prevailing epidemic. Those visitors who did not remain for the final day's racing were back in the Wairarapa on Sunday last.

Mr. F. Jensen's two-year-old Hytinas is showing in her track efforts at Opaki that she can muster up a lot of speed, and P. Daly has the daughter of Hymettus and Martina looking fresh and well. Hytinas claims an engagement in the Feilding Stakes, to be run at the end of this month.

Nearly £800 was won in stakes by Masterton-trained horses during the Riccarton meeting. Snub's win in the Canterbury Cup was worth £575, while Torfreda's second in the Electric Plate and Affection's third in the Welcome Stakes brought in £100 each to their owner, Mr. A. McDonald.

Nothing is going better at Opaki just now than Hydrus, and he is expected to strip at his best at Ashhurst, which meeting, by the way, has been postponed until the 27th inst. in view of the epidemic. During J. T. Jamieson's absence in the south, the stable has been in charge of the head lad, Bert Jury, who is taking Hydrus through to Ashhurst and afterwards to Feilding, the latter meeting being set down for decision on November 30.

At the yearling sales at Christchurch last week, Mr. Kemball gave top price (825 guineas) for a colt by Martian from Rose Red. Another Masterton owner, Mr. A. McDonald, gave 800 guineas for a colt from Strathsprey and 700 guineas for a Vicella colt.

In common with other districts, the Wairarapa is having quite its share of the influenza epidemic, and several stable attendants are down with it in a more or less serious form. At Featherston it is reported to be very severe, and as the Wairarapa Racing Club's course is only a short distance from the camp, very little is being done on the track just now.

The death occurred at Gladstone on Saturday last of one of the oldest trainers and veterinarians of the Wairarapa district in the person of Mr. Philip Crewe. It appears that the deceased was crossing a log spanning the creek leading to his house, had lost his footing and fallen into the water. An inquest was held when a verdict of accidental death was returned. The late Mr. Crewe had not taken an active part in racing matters during the past few years, confining himself to the veterinary business. In the early days he won a number of races in the Wairarapa and Wellington districts with horses trained by him, among the number being Lady Agnes and Te Taiaha, the latter paying a dividend of over half a century on one occasion at Tauherenikau.

During the recent New Zealand Cup meeting Mr. W. R. Kemball, of Masterton, purchased Scornful (by Bonny Glen—Lady Disdain) and the two-year-old Rebuff (Martian—Lady Disdain). It is just about 12 months ago since the local sportsman bought Nanna and Snub out of the same stable, and he has had no occasion to regret his purchase, as between them the pair have won about £2500 in stakes. W. Hawthorne will now have 16 horses under his charge at Lansdowne. Rebuff is a full brother to Snub, the Canterbury Cup winner, and although he has not yet raced he shows plenty of promise, and is well thought of by his recent mentor, G. Murray-Aynsley.

WANGANUI.

Ashhurst Meeting Postponed—W. Rayner's Trio for Feilding—J. Peachey's Team in Steady Work—Prospects of the Feilding Meeting—Nobleman Reported to be Doing Well.

WANGANUI, Monday.

Owing to the influenza epidemic, the Ashhurst meeting, which was to have been held on Wednesday, has been postponed. The club have applied to the Minister for permission to hold the gathering on the 27th inst., but so far it is not known whether permission will be given. The 27th would be a very suitable day for owners and trainers, as it would be just three days before the Feilding meeting.

The very many friends of W. Price, the well-known rider, will learn with deep regret of the death of his wife, which occurred on Friday as the result of influenza following on confinement. The late Mrs. Price was very well known to racegoers, as she accompanied her husband to most of the meetings at which he had en-

gagements, and was very popular with all who knew her. The bereaved husband will have the sincere sympathy of hosts of friends in his great loss. W. Price himself had been in hospital for some time suffering from a relapse on an attack of the prevailing epidemic, but he is now able to get about again.

Work on the tracks recently has been somewhat interfered with on account of the "flu," but most of the horses engaged at Ashhurst and Feilding have been kept going.

W. Rayner intends taking Zola, Zela and Pennon to Feilding. The first-named is in the Hurdles at 11.3, top weight. The son of Sweet Simon is bowling along nicely on the tracks, and he should be hard to beat. Zela is also doing good track work, but she has been a disappointment so far in her races. However, she should do better in the future. Pennon continues to train on all right, and she is likely to be handy in whatever event she starts at Feilding. She claims an engagement in the Stakes.

J. Peachey has his team in steady work. Undecided appears to have livened up recently, and might show to more advantage in the Hurdles at Feilding than he did at Waverley. Hupana figures in the Flying Handicap at Feilding at the minimum. She has pace enough when in the humour, but she does not seem to be of the reliable kind.

The weights for the Feilding meeting have been framed in very careful manner by Mr. J. E. Henrys, and the club should receive capital acceptances. There is no more popular meetings held on the coast than those which take place under the auspices of the Feilding club, and with the excellent fields and splendid racing which are assured for the forthcoming gathering a record success should be scored, provided the epidemic does not interfere with the attendance.

Of those engaged in the Hurdles, the two top weights, Zola and Vucuum, together with Sir William, read as well as anything else.

In the Flying Stakes there is every prospect of a great race. Demos (8.5), Bo-Peep (8.3) and Starengo (7.5) are three which have recent winning form to recommend them.

There is a very big field engaged in the Tpit Hack, of seven furlongs. Paddington Green (9.2), Royal Park (8.13), 'Cello (8.11) and Signorella (7.12) read nicely.

The Manchester Handicap should be a great race. Onslaught showed such fine form at Riccarton that even with 8.5 he is sure to be one of the most fancied if he starts. Of the others, Devotion (9.0), Detroit (8.1) and Rose Pink (8.1) will all command solid support.

If Coolpan goes to the post dressed at his best he will take a lot of beating in the Cheltenham Hack, as he is reported to be doing good work. He has a big weight (9.8), but can gallop a fast six furlongs. Of the rest, Staccato (8.13) and Carmel Arch (8.6) read well.

Nobleman is reported to be going along well at Bulls, and if so he will take beating in the Kiwitea Welter, in which he has 9.12. Maioha (9.6), Hydrus (9.3) and Rio (8.0) are a dangerous trio.

Great interest will be taken in the Feilding Stakes, which is sure to be contested by a fine field. If Croesus, Surveyor, Bitholia, Royal Stag, Amythas and Ermine go to the post, together with the best of the others, a most exciting race should be witnessed.

HAWKE'S BAY.

Two Well-known Sportsmen Who Have Succumbed to Epidemic—Indigo's Full-brother Shows Promise on Hastings Tracks.

NAPIER, Monday.

Mr. F. Ormond has placed Hymarty with S. Waddell at Greenmeadows to be got ready for business. Hymarty is a younger full-sister to Hyllus, and was bred at Karamu by the late Hon. J. D. Ormond.

Mr. Rangī Kerehoma, who passed away at Featherston camp last week, from influenza, was a well-known figure in the world of sport in the Dominion, and his black and white quartered body, with black sleeves and gold cap, was carried prominently by a number of his representatives. About the best of the horses that he owned was Carlatour.

Mr. W. Richmond, of Hastings, is reported to have had a good win at Moonee Valley (Vic.) at the end of last month, for he had half a thou-

sand on Martino, who started at the nice price of 8 to 1 against and succeeded in landing the stake. If the information is correct, the Hawke's Bay owner, who is a fearless bettor when the fancy takes him, assuredly had a royal period.

The locally-owned horses, The Speaker, Orateur, Wapping and The Pagan, figure among the Ashhurst acceptances.

Mr. G. H. Redwood, one of the stewards of the Woodville Jockey Club, crossed the Great Divide last week. The deceased sport had journeyed to Gisborne to attend the funeral of his brother-in-law, who had succumbed to an attack of influenza, and Mr. Redwood was himself also stricken down with the complaint and failed to rally from its effects. He was a son of Mr. C. Redwood and a nephew of Archbishop Redwood, and for quite a number of years had been one of the controllers of the Woodville Jockey Club. An assiduous, capable worker, his loss will be keenly felt by the club.

Mr. T. H. Lowry, of Okawa, is mating several of his brood matrons this season with Egypt, the younger full-brother to Desert Gold.

The two-year-old full-brother to Indigo is making good in his efforts at Hastings under the tuition of R. Gooseman. He greatly resembles his consistent brother, and there is every indication that he will turn out just as good. He is owned and was bred by Mr. G. Hunter, of Porangahau.

TAKAPUNA JOCKEY CLUB

SPRING MEETING.

In consequence of the influenza epidemic several spring racing fixtures are temporarily held up, but it is hoped that the scourge will be finally checked at no distant date, thus enabling the spring meetings to be proceeded with. The Takapuna Jockey Club's spring gathering is set down for decision on Saturday week (November 30), but probably it will be found necessary to postpone the meeting until the following month. The restriction of racing fixtures during the last two years of the war has had the effect of bringing the various meetings closer together, this especially being the case as regards the meetings in Auckland, where no races were held this year from June 3 until November 6, an interval of five months. The position is such that unavoidable postponements of meetings further aggravate the situation, and but for the limited number of race meetings it would be impossible to avoid a clashing of dates. When the lost racing dates are restored it will be found of distinct advantage to hold the meetings at wider intervals, and distribute them over a greater period of the year.

Excellent nominations have been received for the Takapuna meeting, but so far the handicaps, which were due on Friday last, have not yet made their appearance. Now that the Eilerslie racecourse has been taken over as a convalescent home for influenza patients, it appears fairly certain that the Takapuna gathering will be held in advance of the Auckland R.C.'s spring meeting, and the appearance of the weights may not be delayed. At present, however, nothing definite is known regarding what steps the Takapuna Jockey Club anticipate taking, but with the near approach of the Christmas and New Year holidays a decision will no doubt be made public as soon as the influenza visitation shows signs of a permanent disappearance. That good fields will be seen out at the Takapuna meeting, provided nothing unforeseen occurs, is confidently expected, and the one-day gathering of this popular club should prove an unqualified success. The list of nominations is as follows:

MELROSE HANDICAP, six furlongs.—Ma. Copper, Kumara, Spanner, Ising-arch, Rangī Aroha, Koiwi, Admiral Advance, Penona, Monocrat, Whitford Belle, Hessian, Tleka, Marenga, Lady Ruge, Debutante, Flowing Bowl, Sea Prince, Cordite, Lady Petain, Elyan, General Stephen, Actrice, Athens II., Liansannor, Miss Ellice, Mountain Gold, Pretty Bobby, Whitehall, Queen Abbey, Talamai, Formalin, Cadet, Newlant, Rockfield, Glen Crispin, Orphelan, Pandemos, Rupara, Broderick.

BOROUGH HANDICAP, five furlongs.—Hineamaru, Danseuse, Vandubbe, Gayclum, Happy Valley, Cardrona, Comedy Prince, Kibbegan, Ring Lupin, Stilts, Arch Lassie, Rekanui, King Lupin, Cordite, Glenroy, Lightning, Dan Patch, Lord Kenilworth, Rockfield, Housewife, Lady Glen, Silver Link, Arran.

PONUI HURDLES, one mile and a-half.—Loyal Arch, Makaramu, Goldmount, Lady Lyddite, Waiakura, Cluttering, Signature, Bloomine, Falstone, Notability, Pendoo, Lady Bunyan, St. Diamond, Totara Jack, Golden Grafton, Aurore, Auldana, Peneton.

ALISON CUP, one mile two furlongs and a-half.—Spanner, Hineamaru, Col-

onel Soult, Depredation, Bedford, Slip-stitch, Multiplane, Uncle Ned, Hyllus, Sir Ralph, Tabasco, Pierrot, Mullingar, Windorah, Royal Irish, Teka, Fabrique, Blue Cross, Glenopal, Bingham, Rebel, Gazique, Lady Energy, All Over, Alteration, Multive, Multifual, Lord Kenilworth, Rockfield, Housewife, Rupara, Form Up, Cyrisian.

CAMBRIA HANDICAP, five furlongs.—Mistress Biddy, Harpalus, Heather Moon, Prince Charleroi, Phylona, Gold Plane, Dixie Land, Lady Una, Gwenetta, Valley Queen, Melting, Finkop, Canowindra, No Mistake, Glengarry, Princess Charming, Arati.

VAUXHALL HACK HANDICAP, seven furlongs.—Independence, Master Regel, Bellacity, Kumara, Don't, Hineamaru, Robur, Mahzoltov, Poi, Platoon, Mary Bruce, Penona, Duchess Eudorus, Slipstitch, Multiplane, Ohoreka, Seaciff, Tleka, Marenga, Glucian, Caballero, Mandrake, Gold Kip, Soult Rosa, Signature, New Zealand, All Talk, Miss Leslie, Meltonio, Declare, Garryowen, Step, Windorah, Athens II., Liansannor, Revenue, Whitehall, Te Miro, Madam Ristori, Lady Energy, Talamai, Thrace, Marble Star, Woody Glen.

TIRI HANDICAP HURDLES, one mile and three-quarters.—Con, Thrace, Loyal Arch, Penniless, Ditto, Tirau, Northland, Tenacious, Aurore, Crown Pearl.

CHELTENHAM HANDICAP, six furlongs.—Bellacity, Kereone, Hineamaru, Spanner, Robur, Bedford, Alf, Delaval, Downham, Gaycium, Gold Kip, Hyllus, Cardrona, Waiuta, Escaped, Stilts, Fabrique, Mossman, Arch Lassie, Rekanui, Lightning, Lord Kenilworth, Rockfield, Housewife, Melchikoff, Lady Glen, Silver Link, Form Up, Cyrisian, Arran.

CANTERBURY YEARLING SALES.

SOME GOOD PRICES.

The annual yearling sales, held at the Chester Street yards, Christchurch, by Messrs. Pyne and Co. in connection with the New Zealand Cup carnival, were well attended, and there was some spirited bidding. The following is a list of the yearlings disposed of:—

	Gns.
On account J. F. Buchanan.	
Br f, by Martian—Mazabuka (imp), J. F. Reid	125
Br f, by Martian—Grand Opera, R. Brough	135
On account J. F. Reid.	
B g, by Solferino—Bella Donna, J. Bell	55
Ch g, by Solferino—Dally, S. Spain	50
Br c, by Martian—Rose Red, W. R. Kemball	825
B g, by Solferino—Rose Salterne, C. W. Reid	70
B c, by Kilbroney—Teacup, J. B. Reid	575
B f, by Solferino—Miss Dalrymple, J. Todd	40
On account I. G. Duncan.	
B c, by Martian—Two Step, W. Stone	550
Br c, by Martian—Vicella, A. McDonald	700
B c, by Martian—Strathsprey, A. McDonald	800
B c, by Absurd—Sequinette, F. S. Easton	150
B c, by Kilbroney—Lady Jean II., R. A. McKenzie	250
B f, by Martian—Margarethe, H. Friedlander	250
Br f, by Birkenhead—Be Be, H. Friedlander	300
B f, by Bezonian—Desrina, H. F. Nicoll	50
B c, by Bezonian—Satisfaire, C. W. Reid	100
Br f, by Bezonian—Peace, J. Saunders, 150 (repurchased by the breeder for 200gns.)	
Br f, by Kilbroney—Somniform, Goring Johnston	250
B f, by Kilbroney Success, withdrawn	
B c, by Sunny Lake—Angele, H. Friedlander	225
Br c, by Bezonian—Purity, no bid	
B f, by Martian—Snowlike, E. Short	100
On account J. F. Reid.	
Ch f, by Solferino—Palone, H. Chisholm (Sydney)	300
Ch f, by Solferino—Elaine, withdrawn	
Ch f, by Sunny Lake—Amorilla, R. Derrett	140
Br f, by Solferino—Ailsa, H. F. Nicoll	130
Br f, by Solferino—Elysium, G. D. Greenwood	275
Ch c, by Solferino—Stepka, H. Chisholm (Sydney)	210
Ch g, by Solferino—Rosalia, J. Bell	25
B c, by Solferino—Madama, McLeod and Co.	100
Ch g, by Solferino—Raid, no bid	
Br g, by Solferino—Anitea, S. T. Spain	40
On account W. Deans.	
B f, 2yrs, by Sarto—Afer, W. T. Hazlett	50
On account Bruce Christie.	
Ch f, by Markhoue—Rhine Gold, J. Ayers	110
Ch f, by Markhoue—Colours, A. Boyle	35
Br f, by Markhoue—Brilliant Plumes, no bid	
Br f, by Markhoue—Achilla, R. Brough	30
On account G. L. Stead.	
Ch f, by Nassau—Dinner Gong, Fox	40
Br g, by Boniform—Gargaron, W. Hazlett	100
B f, by Nassau—Bonny Dream, H. Whitney	50
B c, by Boniform—Cassock, W. G. Stead	485
B g, by Boniform—Brocade, H. Friedlander	200
Br c, by Boniform—Tremulous, passed	
B f, by Boniform—Polly Prim, J. Jamieson	100
On account G. M. Currie.	
Br f, by Absurd—Roscommon, passed	
B f, by Absurd—Liquify, passed	
Ch f, by Absurd—Carmania, passed	
Ch f, by Absurd—Marsala, passed	
On account W. A. Nicholls.	
Ch g, by Masterpiece—Sober-sided, J. Bell	26
Br g, by Masterpiece—Lady Maorina, no bid	
On account H. Friedlander.	
B h Ardenvhor, 6yrs, by Martian—Mary of Argyle, W. T. Hazlett	100
B g Preludium, 3yrs, by Achilles—Prelude, John Adamson	50