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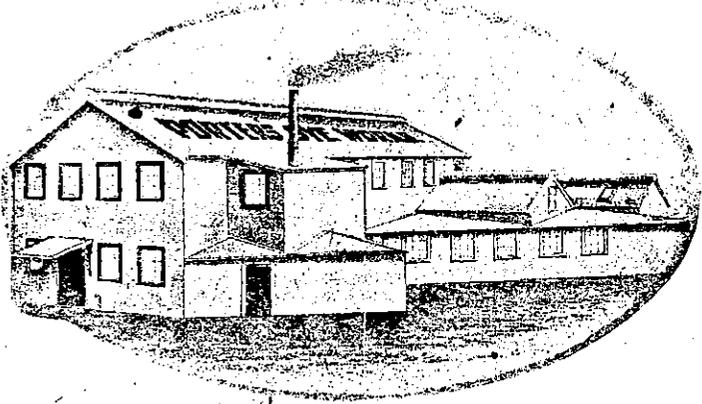
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FIRST DAY.

SATURDAY, APRIL 19, 1919.

PRESIDENT'S HANDICAP of 350sovs; second horse to receive 70sovs, and third horse 30sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Winner of any flat race after declaration of weights to carry 7lb penalty. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 3sovs each. One mile and a-quarter.

GREAT NORTHERN OAKS of 700sovs; first horse to receive 500sovs, second horse 100sovs, and third horse 50sovs out of the stake. The other 50sovs to go to the breeder of the winner, provided that the horse is bred in New Zealand. In the event of this condition not being fulfilled, the 50sovs to go to the first horse. For three-year-old fillies, 8.10. By subscription of 7sovs each, unless forfeit of 1sov is declared and paid by 5 p.m. on General Entry Day, Autumn Meeting, 1919 (Friday, March 28). All horses remaining in, after that date must pay the subscription of 7sovs on Friday, April 19, by 5 p.m. One mile and a-half.

BRIGHTON HURDLE RACE HANDICAP of 500sovs; second horse to receive 100sovs, and third horse 50sovs out of the stake. Over eight flights of hurdles. Winner of any hurdle race of the value of 100sovs after declaration of weights to carry 10lb penalty. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 4sovs each. Two miles.

GREAT NORTHERN CHAMPAGNE STAKES of 1000sovs; first horse to receive 600sovs, second horse 200sovs, and third horse 100sovs out of the stake. The other 100sovs to go to the breeder of the winner, provided that the horse is bred in New Zealand. In the event of this condition not being fulfilled, the 100sovs to go to the first horse. Colts 8.10, fillies 8.8, geldings 8.7. By subscription of 10sovs each, unless forfeit of 1sov is declared and paid by 5 p.m. on General Entry Day Autumn Meeting, 1919 (Friday, March 28). All horses remaining in after that date must pay the subscription of 10sovs on Friday, April 11, by 5 p.m. All forfeits go to make up or increase the stake. Six furlongs.

EASTER HANDICAP of 1000sovs; second horse to receive 200sovs, and third horse 100sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Winner of any flat race or flat races collectively after declaration of weights of the value of 250sovs to carry 3lb; of 500sovs, 5lb; of 750sovs, 7lb; of 1000sovs, 10lb penalty. Entrance 1sov, acceptance 4sovs, and a final payment of 5sovs each. One mile.

ONSLow STAKES HANDICAP of 250sovs; second horse to receive 50sovs, and third horse 25sovs out of the stake. For TWO-YEAR-OLDS that have never won a race of the value of 150sovs or races of the collective value of 400sovs at time of starting. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 2sovs each. Five furlongs.

NELSON HANDICAP of 250sovs; second horse to receive 50sovs, and third horse 25sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards that have never won a flat race of the value of 150sovs, or flat races of the collective value of 400sovs at time of nomination. Winner of any flat race after declaration of weights to carry 7lb penalty. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 2sovs each. One mile.

EDEN HANDICAP of 350sovs; second horse to receive 70sovs, and third horse 30sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Winner of any flat race after declaration of weights to carry 7lb penalty. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 3sovs each. Seven furlongs.

SECOND DAY.

EASTER MONDAY, APRIL 21, 1919.

STEWARDS' HANDICAP of 350sovs; second horse to receive 70sovs, and third horse 30sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 3sovs each. One mile.

MANGERE HANDICAP of 250sovs; second horse to receive 50sovs, and third horse 25sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards that have never won a flat race of the value of 150sovs, or flat races of the collective value of 400sovs at time of nomination. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 2sovs each. Six furlongs.

VICTORIA HANDICAP of 400sovs; second horse to receive 80sovs, and third horse 40sovs out of the stake. For TWO-YEAR-OLDS. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 3sovs each. Five furlongs.

GREAT NORTHERN ST. LEGER STAKES of 1000sovs; first horse to receive 600sovs, second horse 200sovs, and third horse 100sovs out of the stake. The other 100sovs to go to the breeder of the winner, provided that the horse is bred in New Zealand. In the event of this condition not being fulfilled, the 100sovs to go to the first horse. Colts 8.10, fillies 8.8, geldings 8.7. By subscription of 10sovs each, unless forfeit of 1sov is declared and

paid by 5 p.m. on General Entry Day, Autumn Meeting, 1919 (Friday, March 28). All horses remaining in after that date must pay the subscription of 10sovs on Friday, April 11, by 5 p.m. All forfeits go to make up or increase the stake. One mile and three-quarters.

ST. GEORGE'S HANDICAP of 1000sovs; second horse to receive 200sovs, and third horse 100sovs out of the stake. Winner of any flat race after declaration of weights to carry 7lb penalty. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 9sovs each. One mile and a-half.

AUTUMN STEEPLECHASE HANDICAP of 500sovs; second horse to receive 100sovs, and third horse 50sovs out of the stake. Winner of any steeplechase of the value of 100sovs after declaration of weights to carry 10lb penalty. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 4sovs each. About three miles.

HUIA HANDICAP of 500sovs; second horse to receive 100sovs, and third horse 50sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Winner of any flat race after declaration of weights to carry 7lb penalty. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 4sovs each. Six furlongs.

AUCKLAND WELTER HANDICAP of 350sovs; second horse to receive 70sovs, and third horse 30sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Winner of any flat race after the declaration of weights to carry 7lb penalty. Minimum weight, 8.0. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 3sovs each. One mile.

DATES OF NOMINATIONS, ACCEPTANCES, ETC.

AUTUMN MEETING, 1919,

With amounts to be transmitted to Secretary A.R.C.

FRIDAY, MARCH 14, by 5 p.m.

NOMINATIONS—Brighton Hurdle Race 1sov, Easter Handicap 1sov, St. George's Handicap 1sov, Autumn Steeplechase 1sov.

FRIDAY, MARCH 28 (GENERAL ENTRY), by 5 p.m.

ACCEPTANCES—Brighton Hurdle Race 4sovs, Easter Handicap 4sovs, Autumn Steeplechase 4sovs.

NOMINATIONS—President's Handicap 1sov, Onslow Stakes Handicap 1sov, Nelson Handicap 1sov, Eden Handicap 1sov, Stewards' Handicap 1sov, Mangere Handicap 1sov, Victoria Handicap 1sov, HuiA Handicap 1sov, Auckland Welter Handicap 1sov.

FORFEIT—Great Northern Champagne Stakes 1sov, Great Northern Oaks 1sov, Great Northern St. Leger Stakes 1sov.

FRIDAY, APRIL 11, by 5 p.m.

ACCEPTANCES—President's Handicap 3sovs, Onslow Stakes 2sovs, Nelson Handicap 2sovs, Eden Handicap 3sovs.

FINAL PAYMENTS—Easter Handicap 5sovs, Great Northern Champagne Stakes (sub.) 10sovs, Great Northern Oaks (sub.) 7sovs, Great Northern St. Leger Stakes (sub.) 10sovs.

SATURDAY, APRIL 19, by 9 p.m.

ACCEPTANCES—Stewards' Handicap 3sovs, Mangere Handicap 2sovs, Victoria Handicap 3sovs, St. George's Handicap 9sovs, HuiA Handicap 4sovs, Auckland Welter Handicap 3sovs.

DATES ON WHICH HANDICAPS APPEAR.

MONDAY, MARCH 24.

HANDICAP—Brighton Hurdle Race, Easter Handicap, Autumn Steeplechase.

MONDAY, APRIL 7.

HANDICAPS—President's Handicap, Onslow Stakes, Nelson Handicap, Eden Handicap.

SATURDAY, APRIL 19, by 8 p.m.

HANDICAPS—Stewards' Handicap, Mangere Handicap, Victoria Handicap, St. George's Handicap, HuiA Handicap, Auckland Welter Handicap.

W. S. SPENCE, Secretary.

AVONDALE JOCKEY CLUB.

AUTUMN MEETING.

SATURDAY AND WEDNESDAY,
APRIL 26 AND 30, 1919.

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FIRST DAY.

SATURDAY, APRIL 26, 1919.

MAIDEN PLATE HANDICAP of 150sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs, and third horse 10sovs out of the stake. For all horses that have not won an advertised flat race of any description at time of starting. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. Distance, six furlongs.

JUVENILE APPRENTICE HANDICAP of 150sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs, and third horse 5sovs out of the stake. For two-year-olds. To be ridden by apprentices that have not previously won more than 15 races. Minimum weight, 7.0. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. Distance, five furlongs.

HANDICAP HACK HURDLE RACE of 180sovs; second horse to receive 25sovs, and third horse 10sovs out of the stake. For all horses that have not won a hurdle race of the value of 150sovs, or hurdle races of the collective value of 400sovs at time of entry. Over seven flights of hurdles. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. Distance, one mile and three-quarters.

AVONDALE HANDICAP of 500sovs; second horse to receive 40sovs, and third horse 10sovs out of the stake.

Winner of any flat race after the declaration of weights to carry 5lb extra. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 3sovs. Distance, one mile and a-quarter.

OAKLEY HANDICAP of 150sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs, and third horse 10sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. Distance, one mile one furlong.

CHEVALIER STEEPLECHASE HANDICAP of 250sovs; second horse to receive 40sovs, and third horse 10sovs out of the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. Distance, about three miles.

RAILWAY HANDICAP of 250sovs; second horse to receive 40sovs, and third horse 10sovs out of the stake. Winner of any flat race after the declaration of weights to carry 5lb extra. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. Distance, six furlongs.

TITIRANGI WELTER HANDICAP of 200sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs, and third horse 10sovs out of the stake. Winner of any flat race after the declaration of weights to carry 5lb extra. For three-year-olds and upwards. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. Minimum weight, 8.0. Distance, one mile one furlong.

SECOND DAY.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 30, 1919.

WAIKUMETE HANDICAP HURDLES of 230sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs, and third horse 10sovs out of the stake. Over eight flights of hurdles. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. Distance, two miles.

DOMINION HANDICAP of 150sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs, and third horse 10sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. Distance, five furlongs.

NURSERY HANDICAP of 150sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs, and third horse 5sovs out of the stake. For two-year-olds. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. Distance, six furlongs.

AUTUMN HANDICAP of 350sovs; second horse to receive 40sovs, and third horse 10sovs out of the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 2sovs. Distance, one mile one furlong.

MT. EDEN HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 220sovs; second horse to receive 40sovs, and third horse 10sovs out of the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. Distance, about three miles.

WAITAKERI HANDICAP of 250sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs, and third horse 10sovs out of the stake. Winner of any flat race after the declaration of weights to carry 5lb extra. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. Distance, six furlongs.

MT. ROSKILL HACK HANDICAP of 150sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs, and third horse 10sovs out of the stake. For all horses that have not won a flat race of 150sovs in value, or flat races of the collective value of 400sovs at time of entry. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. Distance, one mile one furlong.

WELTER HANDICAP of 200sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs, and third horse 10sovs out of the stake. Minimum weight, 8.0. Winner of any flat race after the declaration of weights to carry 5lb extra. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. Distance, seven furlongs.

DATES OF NOMINATIONS AND ACCEPTANCES

AUTUMN MEETING, 1919,

With amounts to be transmitted to Secretary A.J.C.

FRIDAY, APRIL 11, by 5 p.m.

NOMINATIONS—Maiden Plate Handicap 1sov, Juvenile Apprentice Handicap 1sov, Handicap Hack Hurdles 1sov, Avondale Handicap 1sov, Oakley Handicap 1sov, Chevalier Steeplechase Handicap 1sov, Railway Handicap 1sov, Titirangi Welter Handicap 1sov, Waiakumete Handicap 1sov, Dominion Handicap 1sov, Nursery Handicap 1sov, Mount Eden Handicap Steeplechase 1sov, Waitakeri Handicap 1sov, Mount Roskill Handicap 1sov, Welter Handicap 1sov.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23, by 5 p.m.

ACCEPTANCES—Maiden Plate Handicap 1sov, Juvenile Apprentice Handicap 1sov, Handicap Hack Hurdles 1sov, Avondale Handicap 3sovs, Oakley Handicap 1sov, Chevalier Steeplechase Handicap 1sov, Railway Handicap 1sov, Titirangi Welter Handicap 1sov.

MONDAY, APRIL 28, by 12 Noon.

ACCEPTANCES—Waiakumete Handicap Hurdles 1sov, Dominion Handicap 1sov, Nursery Handicap 1sov, Autumn Handicap 2sovs, Mount Eden Handicap Steeplechase 1sov, Waitakeri Handicap 1sov, Mount Roskill Handicap 1sov, Welter Handicap 1sov.

DATES ON WHICH HANDICAPS APPEAR.

TUESDAY, APRIL 22.

HANDICAPS—Maiden Plate Handicap, Juvenile Handicap, Handicap Hack Hurdles, Avondale Handicap, Oakley Handicap, Chevalier Steeplechase Handicap, Railway Handicap, Titirangi Welter Handicap.

MONDAY, APRIL 28.

HANDICAPS—Waiakumete Handicap Hurdles, Dominion Handicap, Nursery Handicap, Autumn Handicap, Mount Eden Handicap Steeplechase, Waitakeri Handicap, Mount Roskill Handicap, Welter Handicap.

All Entries to be addressed to the Secretary, Union Bank Buildings, Victoria Street, Auckland.

H. H. HAYR, Secretary.

Mr. W. G. Stead has informed our Hawke's Bay correspondent that he is having Sasanof prepared for the Trentham Gold Cup. What about the Awapuni Gold Cup? As Gloaming will not be there is Desert Gold to be allowed a walk over? Client races well on the course but after winning the Wanganui Cup and Stakes left the Manawatu meeting out and went over and won the Hawke's Bay Cup last year.

OHINEMURI JOCKEY CLUB.

ANNUAL RACE MEETING.

To be held on the Paeroa Racecourse,
SATURDAY AND MONDAY,

MARCH 15 AND 17, 1919.

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PROGRAMME.

FIRST DAY.

SATURDAY, MARCH 15, 1919.

1. **HANDICAP HURDLES of 150sovs;** second horse to receive 30sovs, and third horse 10sovs out of the stakes. Over seven flights of hurdles. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. One mile and three-quarters.
2. **MAIDEN HANDICAP of 150sovs;** second horse to receive 30sovs, and third horse 10sovs out of the stakes. For all horses that have not won an advertised race of any value at the time of entry. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 30s. Five furlongs.
3. **NETHERTON WELTER of 160sovs;** second horse to receive 30sovs, and third horse 15sovs out of the stakes. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 30s. About seven furlongs.
4. **KARANGAHAKE HANDICAP of 200sovs;** second horse to receive 40sovs, and third horse 20sovs out of the stakes. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 2sovs. Five furlongs.
5. **OHINEMURI CUP HANDICAP of 500sovs;** second horse to receive 70sovs, and third horse 30sovs out of the stakes. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 4sovs. One mile and a-quarter.
6. **KOMATA HACK HANDICAP of 150sovs;** second horse to receive 30sovs, and third horse 10sovs out of the stakes. For all horses that have not won an advertised race of the value of 50sovs at the time of entry. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 30s. Six furlongs.
7. **PAEROA STEEPLECHASE HANDICAP of 140sovs;** second horse to receive 30sovs, and third horse 10sovs out of the stakes. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. About two miles and a-half.
8. **ST. PATRICK'S HANDICAP of 250sovs;** second horse to receive 40sovs, and third horse 20sovs out of the stakes. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 2sovs. Six furlongs.

SECOND DAY.

MONDAY, MARCH 17, 1919.

1. **SECOND HANDICAP HURDLES of 150sovs;** second horse to receive 35sovs, and third horse 15sovs out of the stakes. Over six flights of hurdles. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 30s. One mile and a-half.
2. **HIKUTAIA HANDICAP of 150sovs;** second horse to receive 35sovs, and third horse 15sovs out of the stakes. For all horses that have not won an advertised race of the value of 50sovs at the time of entry. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 30s. Six furlongs.
3. **WAIATEKAURI HANDICAP of 150sovs;** second horse to receive 35sovs, and third horse 15sovs out of the stakes. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 30s. Five furlongs.
4. **PAEROA HANDICAP of 400sovs;** second horse to receive 60sovs, and third horse 30sovs out of the stakes. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 3sovs. One mile.
5. **MINERS' HACK HANDICAP of 140sovs;** second horse to receive 30sovs, and third horse 10sovs out of the stakes. For all horses that have not won an advertised race at the time of entry. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 30s. Five furlongs.
6. **WAIKINO WELTER HANDICAP of 150sovs;** second horse to receive 35sovs, and third horse 15sovs out of the stakes. Lowest weight, 8.0. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 30s. About seven furlongs.
7. **AUTUMN STEEPLECHASE HANDICAP of 160sovs;** second horse to receive 35sovs, and third horse 15sovs out of the stakes. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 30s. About three miles.
8. **WAIHI HANDICAP of 200sovs;** second horse to receive 40sovs, and third horse 20sovs out of the stakes. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 2sovs. Six furlongs.

DATES OF NOMINATIONS, WEIGHTS AND ACCEPTANCES.

NOMINATIONS for all events close at 8 p.m. on SATURDAY, MARCH 15, 1919, with the Secretary, Paeroa, or with Mr. C. F. Mark, Durham Street East, Auckland.

WEIGHTS for First Day appear in Auckland "Herald" and "Star" TUESDAY, MARCH 17, 1919.

ACCEPTANCES First day close at 8 p.m. on WEDNESDAY, MARCH 12, 1919, with the Secretary, Paeroa, or with Mr. C. F. Mark, Durham Street East, Auckland.

WEIGHTS for Second Day will be declared at 8.30 p.m. on SATURDAY, MARCH 15, 1919. **ACCEPTANCES** close at 9.30 THE SAME EVENING.

CONDITIONS.

1. Entrance money must be enclosed with nominations, together with name and address of owner, name, age and pedigree of horse, name of trainer and colours.

2. Entries and acceptances made by telegram must be confirmed in writing by first mail, with full particulars and entrance money, otherwise fines

(provided for under Part XVI., Rule 4 of Rules of Racing) will be rigidly enforced.

3. All winning horses after declaration of weights are subject to be re-handicapped.

4. Owners are responsible for all penalties and allowances.

5. Minimum weights in Nos. 2, 4, 5, 6 and 8 races first day will be 7.0, and in No. 3, 8.0.

6. Minimum weight in Nos. 2, 3, 4, 5 and 8 second day will be 7.0.; in No. 6, 8.0.

H. POLAND,
Secretary.

TE AROHA JOCKEY CLUB.

ANNUAL MEETING.

To be held on the Te Aroha Racecourse, on

**SATURDAY AND MONDAY,
MARCH 8 AND 10, 1919.**

Patron: Hon. W. H. Herries, M.P.
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Secretary: E. O. Nash.

PROGRAMME

(Approved by the Auckland District Committee).

FIRST DAY.

- 1. RUAKAKA HANDICAP HURDLES** of 200sovs; second horse to receive 30sovs, and third horse 20sovs from stake. Nomination 20s., acceptance 40s. One mile and a-half, over six flights of hurdles.
- 2. WAITOA HANDICAP** of 175sovs; second horse to receive 25sovs, and third horse 15sovs from stake. Nomination 20s., acceptance 40s. Seven furlongs.
- 3. TRIAL HANDICAP** of 150sovs; second horse to receive 25sovs, and third horse 15sovs from stake. For horses that have not won a flat race of 50sovs or over at the time of entry. Nomination 20s., acceptance 30s. Five furlongs and a-half.
- 4. WAIHOU HANDICAP** of 200sovs; second horse to receive 30sovs, and third horse 20sovs from stake. Nomination 20s., acceptance 40s. Six furlongs.
- 5. TE AROHA CUP** of 400sovs; second horse to receive 50sovs, and third horse 25sovs from stake. Nomination 40s., acceptance 60s. One mile and a-quarter.
- 6. PIAKO HACK HANDICAP** of 165 sovs; second horse to receive 25 sovs, and third horse 15sovs from stake. For horses which have not at any time prior to the time of entry, won a race of the value of 150sovs to the winner, or races of the aggregate value of 400sovs to the winner. Nomination 20s., acceptance 30s. Six furlongs.
- 7. FLYING HANDICAP** of 175sovs; second horse to receive 25sovs, and third horse 15sovs from stake. Nomination 20s., acceptance 30s. Five furlongs and a-half.
- 8. HOT SPRINGS HANDICAP** of 200 sovs; second horse to receive 30 sovs, and third horse 20sovs from stake. Nomination 20s., acceptance 40s. One mile.

SECOND DAY.

- 1. MANAWARU HANDICAP HURDLES** of 160sovs; second horse to receive 25sovs, and third horse 15sovs from stake. Nomination 20s., acceptance 40s. One mile and three-quarters; over seven flights of hurdles.
- 2. TOURIST WELTER HANDICAP** of 150sovs; second horse to receive 25 sovs, and third horse 15sovs from stake. Nomination 20s., acceptance 40s. Minimum weight, 7.7. One mile.
- 3. MAIDEN PLATE HANDICAP** of 130 sovs; second horse to receive 20 sovs, and third horse 10sovs from stake. For horses that have not won a flat race at the time of entry. Nomination 20s., acceptance 30s. Seven furlongs.
- 4. DOMAIN HANDICAP** of 150sovs; second horse to receive 25sovs, and third horse 15sovs from stake. Nomination 20s., acceptance 40s. Six furlongs.
- 5. JOCKEY CLUB HANDICAP** of 300 sovs; second horse to receive 40 sovs, and third horse 20sovs from stake. Nomination 30s., acceptance 50s. One mile.
- 6. WAIRAKAU HACK HANDICAP** of 130sovs; second horse to receive 20 sovs, and third horse 10sovs from stake. For horses which have not at any time prior to the time of entry, won a race of the value of 150sovs to the winner, or races of the aggregate value of 400sovs to the winner. Nomination 20s., acceptance 30s. Six furlongs.
- 7. ELECTRIC HANDICAP** of 150sovs; second horse to receive 25sovs, and third horse 15sovs from stake. Nomination 20s., acceptance 30s. Five furlongs and a-half.
- 8. FAREWELL HANDICAP** of 165sovs; second horse to receive 25sovs, and third horse 15sovs from stake. Nomination 20s., acceptance 40s. Seven furlongs.

CONDITIONS.

ALL NOMINATIONS must be made to the Secretary, Te Aroha, or Mr. C. F. Mark, Durham Street East, Auckland, on or before FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21, at 5 p.m.

WEIGHTS for the First Day will be declared on MONDAY, MARCH 3.

ACCEPTANCES for the First Day to be in the hands of the Secretary or Mr.

C. F. Mark by 5 p.m. on WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5.

HANDICAPS for the Second Day's racing to be declared by 9 p.m. on SATURDAY, MARCH 8.

ACCEPTANCES to be in the hands of the Secretary only, by 10 p.m. THE SAME DAY.

Note.—Te Aroha Telegraph Office closes at 5 p.m.

Entrance money must be enclosed with nominations, together with name and address of owner, name, age and pedigree of horse, name of trainer and colours.

Entries made by telegram must be confirmed in writing by first mail, with full particulars and entrance money, otherwise fines (provided for under Part XVI., Rule 4 of Rules of Racing) will be rigidly enforced.

Owners are responsible in the matter of penalties and allowances.

All races to be run under the New Zealand Rules of Racing. Any horse winning after publication of weights is liable to be re-handicapped.

In no case will tickets be issued to trainers or jockeys except on production of licenses to the Secretary.

Owners desiring tickets to be forwarded are requested to notify the Secretary (when accepting), stating what tickets are required.

No person who has at any time since the passing of the Gaming and Lotteries Act, Amendment Act 1908, followed the occupation of a bookmaker or bookmaker's clerk, no disqualified or undesirable person will be admitted to the Te Aroha Racecourse during the race meeting, and if any such person is found on such course he will be removed therefrom and prosecuted for trespass.

E. O. NASH,
Secretary.

RANGITIKEI RACING CLUB.

ANNUAL MEETING.

To be held on the Bulls Racecourse on WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY, MARCH 26 AND 27, 1919.

OFFICERS:

Patron: Mr. J. A. Bailey. President: Mr. Jas. F. McKelvie. Vice-Presidents: Messrs. D. Coughlin, F. J. Mansell, J. H. Perrett and W. J. Phillips. Stewards: Messrs. A. Amon, G. H. Archer, F. O. Bailey, D. Coughlin, J. B. Johnstone, F. J. Mansell, J. F. McKelvie, T. F. Richardson, A. A. McDonel, J. H. Perrett, W. J. Phillips, J. Tricker, J. Twigg, J. E. Walker, and J. H. Whisker. Hon. Treasurer: Mr. F. J. Mansell. Hon. Timekeeper: Mr. W. J. Phillips. Judge: Mr. J. E. Cameron. Handicapper: Mr. J. E. Henrys. Starter: Mr. A. Keith. Hon. Clerk of the Scales: Mr. F. L. Young. Hon. Assistant Clerk of the Scales: Mr. J. B. Johnstone. Clerk of the Course: Mr. J. McDermott. Hon. Veterinary Surgeon: Mr. A. H. Bill. Secretary: Mr. H. A. Goodall.

PROGRAMME.

FIRST DAY.

To start at 11.30 a.m.

- 1. TRIAL PLATE** of 120sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs, and third horse 10sovs from the stake. For horses that have never won an advertised stake exceeding 25sovs at the time of starting. Weight, 9.0. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. Five furlongs.
- 2. SCOTT MEMORIAL HANDICAP** (Open) of 200sovs; second horse to receive 35sovs, and third horse 15 sovs from the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 2sovs. Six furlongs.
- 3. OHAKEA HACK HURDLE RACE**, a handicap of 150sovs and a bracelet of the value of 20sovs to the winner, presented by Mr. D. Coughlin; second horse to receive 30sovs, and third horse 10sovs from the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 30s. One mile and three-quarters; over seven flights of batten hurdles 3ft. 6in. high.
- 4. CARNARVON HACK RACE**, a handicap of 130sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs, and third horse 10 sovs from the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. Six furlongs.
- 5. RANGITIKEI CUP** (Open), a handicap of 400sovs and a silver cup value 40sovs to the winner, presented by Mr. J. A. Bailey; second horse to receive 70sovs, and third horse 30sovs from the stake. Rider of the winner will be presented with a gold-mounted whip by Mr. J. Bull. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 5sovs. One mile and a-quarter.
- 6. PUKENUI WELTER HACK**, a handicap of 130sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs, and third horse 10 sovs from the stake. Minimum weight, 8.0. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. Seven furlongs.
- 7. PAREWANUI WELTER HANDICAP** (Open) of 175sovs; second horse to receive 30sovs, and third horse 10 sovs from the stake. Minimum weight, 8.0. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 40s. One mile and half a furlong.
- 8. NGATIAPA HACK HANDICAP** of 130sovs; second horse to receive 20 sovs, and third horse 10sovs from the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. Five furlongs.

SECOND DAY.

To start at 11.30 a.m.

- 1. GREATFORD HANDICAP** (Open) of 170sovs; second horse to receive 30 sovs, and the third horse 10sovs from the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 2sovs. Six furlongs.
- 2. RANGITOTO HACK HANDICAP** of 130sovs; second horse to receive 20 sovs, and third horse 10sovs from the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. Six furlongs.
- 3. SANDON HACK HURDLE RACE**, a handicap of 140sovs; second horse to receive 25sovs, and third horse 10sovs from the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. Over six flights of batten hurdles 3ft. 6in. high. One mile and a-half.
- 4. MAIDEN HACK HANDICAP** of 120 sovs; second horse to receive 20 sovs, and third horse 10sovs from the stake. For horses that have never won a stake exceeding 25sovs at the time of starting. Lowest weight, 7.7. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. Seven furlongs.

- 5. FRASER MEMORIAL STAKES** (Open), a handicap of 300sovs; second horse to receive 50sovs, and third horse 25sovs from the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 3sovs. One mile and a distance.
- 6. PUKEHOU HACK WELTER**, a handicap of 130sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs, and third horse 10 sovs from the stake. Minimum weight, 8.0. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. One mile and half a furlong.
- 7. RAUMAI WELTER** (Open), a handicap of 150sovs; second horse to receive 25sovs, and third horse 10 sovs from the stake. Minimum weight, 8.0. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 30s. Seven furlongs.
- 8. FAREWELL HACK SCURRY**, a handicap of 130sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs, and third horse 10sovs from the stake. Nomination 1sov, and acceptance 1sov. Five furlongs.

NOMINATIONS, WEIGHTS, ACCEPTANCES, ETC.

NOMINATIONS for all events, including the Trial Plate and Maiden Race, close on TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 1919, at 9 p.m.

WEIGHTS for the First Day's events, including the Trial Plate, will be declared on SATURDAY, MARCH 16, 1919, and for the Second Day's events at the Office of the Club at 7.30 p.m. ON THE EVENING OF THE FIRST DAY.

ACCEPTANCES for the First Day's events, including the Trial Plate, will close with the Secretary at the office of the Club, Bulls, on FRIDAY, MARCH 21, 1919, at 9 p.m., and for the Second Day's events at the same place at 9 o'clock ON THE EVENING OF THE FIRST DAY.

PENALTIES.

The winner of any race after the declaration of weights may be re-handicapped by the handicapper.

RULES AND REGULATIONS.

1. Description, age, pedigree and name of trainer must accompany all nominations.
2. Entries must be accompanied by cash, cheque, or Post Office Order.
3. All races to be run under New Zealand Rules of Racing.
4. Any horse ineligible to start in the Trial Plate or Maiden Handicap after nominating through winning a race will have its nomination fee returned.

H. A. GOODALL,
Secretary.

WAIPUKURAU JOCKEY CLUB.

ANNUAL MEETING.

EASTER MONDAY, APRIL 21, 1919.

President: G. Hunter, M.P. Vice-President: W. H. Gaisford. Hon. Treasurer: P. Hunter. Stewards: G. Hunter, M.P., W. H. Gaisford, P. Hunter, H. A. Speedy, J. D. Ormond, G. B. Ashley, A. Johnston, W. Storah, F. Armstrong, T. E. Welch, P. Wall, D. McLeod, H. R. Peacock. Judge: J. W. Card. Handicapper: J. E. Henrys. Starter: R. E. Harley. Clerk of Scales: H. M. Bishop. Clerk of Course: A. Johnston, Junr. Timekeeper: W. E. Cooper. Secretary: W. G. Nightingale.

PROGRAMME.

- 1. MAIDEN RACE** of 110sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs, and third horse 10sovs from the stake. For horses that have never won a race at time of entry. Weight for age. Entrance 2sovs. Seven furlongs.
- 2. EASTER HANDICAP** of 135sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs, and third horse 10sovs from the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 2sovs. Once round.
- 3. HACK HANDICAP** of 135sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs, and third horse 10sovs from the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 2sovs. One mile and a-quarter.
- 4. WAIPUKURAU HANDICAP** of 200 sovs; second horse to receive 30 sovs, and third horse 20sovs from the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 3sovs. One mile and a-quarter.
- 5. ORINGI HANDICAP** of 150sovs; second horse to receive 25sovs, and third horse 15sovs from the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 2sovs. For two-year-olds only. Five furlongs.
- 6. LADIES' HANDICAP** of 80sovs; nominator of winner to receive Gold Watch of the value of 40sovs; nominator of second horse to receive Gold Watch valued at 25sovs; nominator of third horse to receive Gold Watch to the value of 15sovs. Horses to be nominated by ladies. Gentlemen riders. Minimum weight 10.7. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. One mile and a-half.
- 7. HATUMA HACK HANDICAP** of 150 sovs; second horse to receive 25 sovs, and third horse 15sovs from the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 2sovs. Five furlongs.
- 8. FLYING HANDICAP** of 180sovs; second horse to receive 30sovs, and third horse 15sovs from the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 2sovs. Six furlongs.

HACK DEFINITION.

No horse shall start in any Hack Flat Race which has, at any time prior to the time of entry, won a race of the value of 150sovs to the winner, or races of the aggregate value of 400sovs to the winner, provided that in calculating such values any moneys payable by reason only of no other horse winning second or third money shall be excluded. The amount won by any horse in flat races, hurdle races or steeplechases respectively shall be estimated separately, and shall not debar such horse from entry except in the special class of race in which he has won the amounts.

The winner of any flat race after the declaration of weights to carry 7lb penalty, and every additional race 7lb extra.

In all nominations, descriptions, age and pedigree of horses, the colours of the riders (unless registered), and the name of trainer must be given.

Any person who shall at any meeting

where the totalsator is used, run a horse in colours other than those notified in the Official Calendar as registered in his name, shall pay to the Club a fine of 1sov for every start (vide Rules of Racing, Part IX., Clause 5).

DATES OF NOMINATIONS, WEIGHTS AND ACCEPTANCES.

NOMINATIONS for all Events close by 8 p.m. on MONDAY, MARCH 31, 1919.

WEIGHTS for all Handicap Events will be declared on MONDAY, APRIL 7, 1919.

ACCEPTANCES for all Events due by 8 p.m. on MONDAY, APRIL 14, 1919.

All Nominations or Acceptances made by telephone or telegram must be confirmed by letter immediately afterwards (vide Rules of Racing, Part XVI., Clause 4).

W. G. NIGHTINGALE,
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TARANAKI FUTURITY STAKES.

The following is a list of the horses remaining in the Taranaki Futurity Stakes after the declaration of the second forfeit, to be run at the Waimate Plains Trotting Club's annual meeting on Easter Monday (April 21):—

TARANAKI FUTURITY STAKES (Harness) of 150sovs, for three-year-olds. One mile and a-half.

- Pringle's blk f, by Van Coronado—Lady Derby
- Ives' b c, by Petereta—D.I.C.
- Burke's b f, by Dominion—Rothschild Lad mare
- Ellaway's br c, by Van Coronado—Olive Wood
- Johnston's ch c, by Wildwood Junr.—Jenny Lynd
- Fleming's g, by Havoc—Lady Sybil
- James' b f, by Petereta—Bell Warbeck
- John McCarty's c g, by Dominion—Weasel
- McCarty's b c, by Franzi—Berlin Abdallah mare
- Orange's br f, by Hova—Bella Victor
- Kerr's b c, by Wildwood Junr.—Gertie
- Kerr's blk c, by Wildwood Junr.—Sybil
- Kerr's ch c, by Wildwood Junr.—Elsie W.
- Kerr's br or blk c, by Wildwood Junr.—Lady Dorn
- Kerr's blk c, by Wildwood Junr.—Prince Imperial mare
- C. Jones' g f, by Phosphorus—Albert Victor mare
- King's g, by Dominion
- King's f, by Dominion
- Knight's br f, by Van Coronado—Marie Narelle
- Shadbolt's br f, by Van Coronado—Sal Tasker
- Saunders and Dench's br f, by Brent Locando—Violet M.
- Tichborn's b c, by General Joubert—Baron S.
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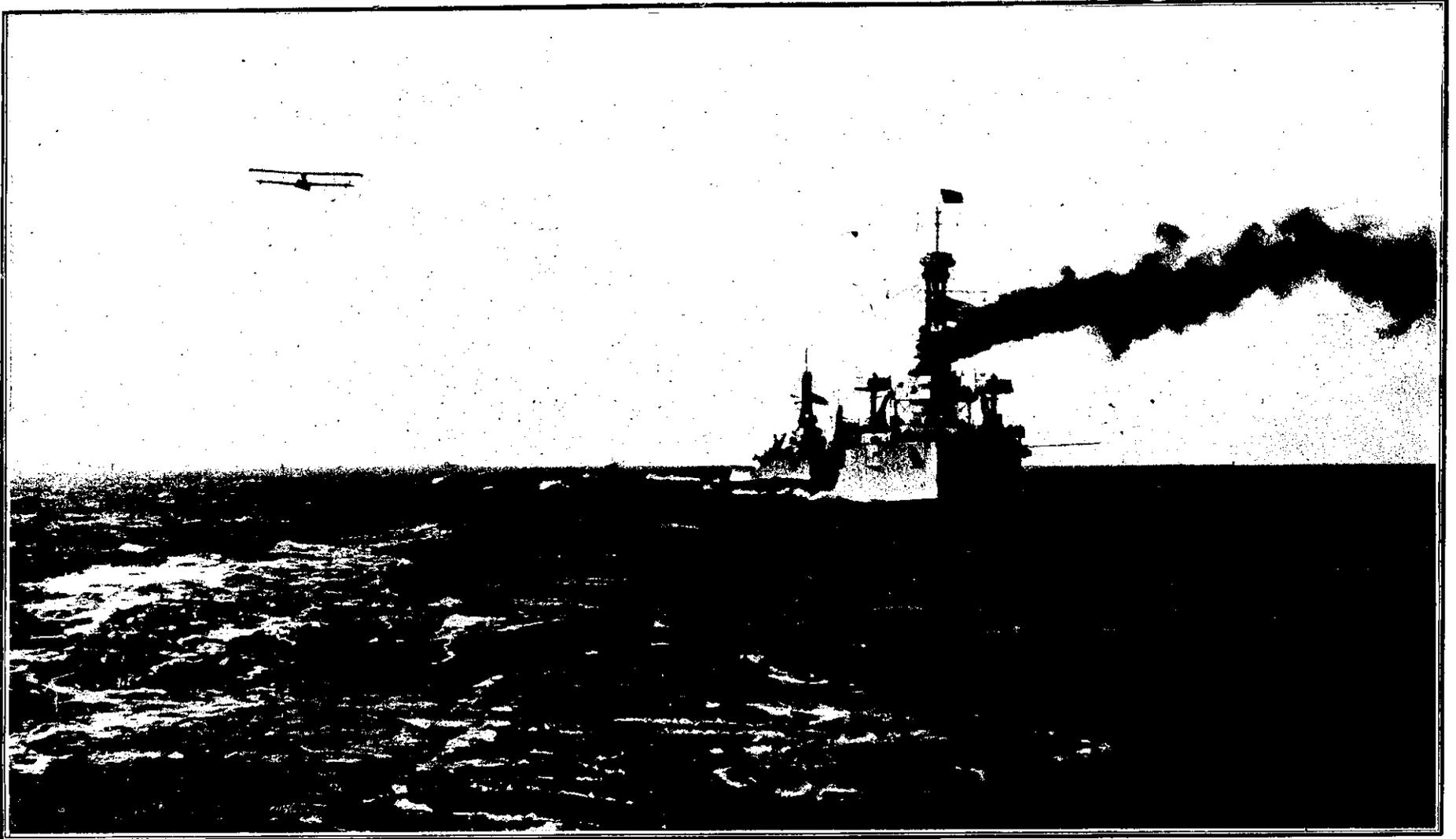
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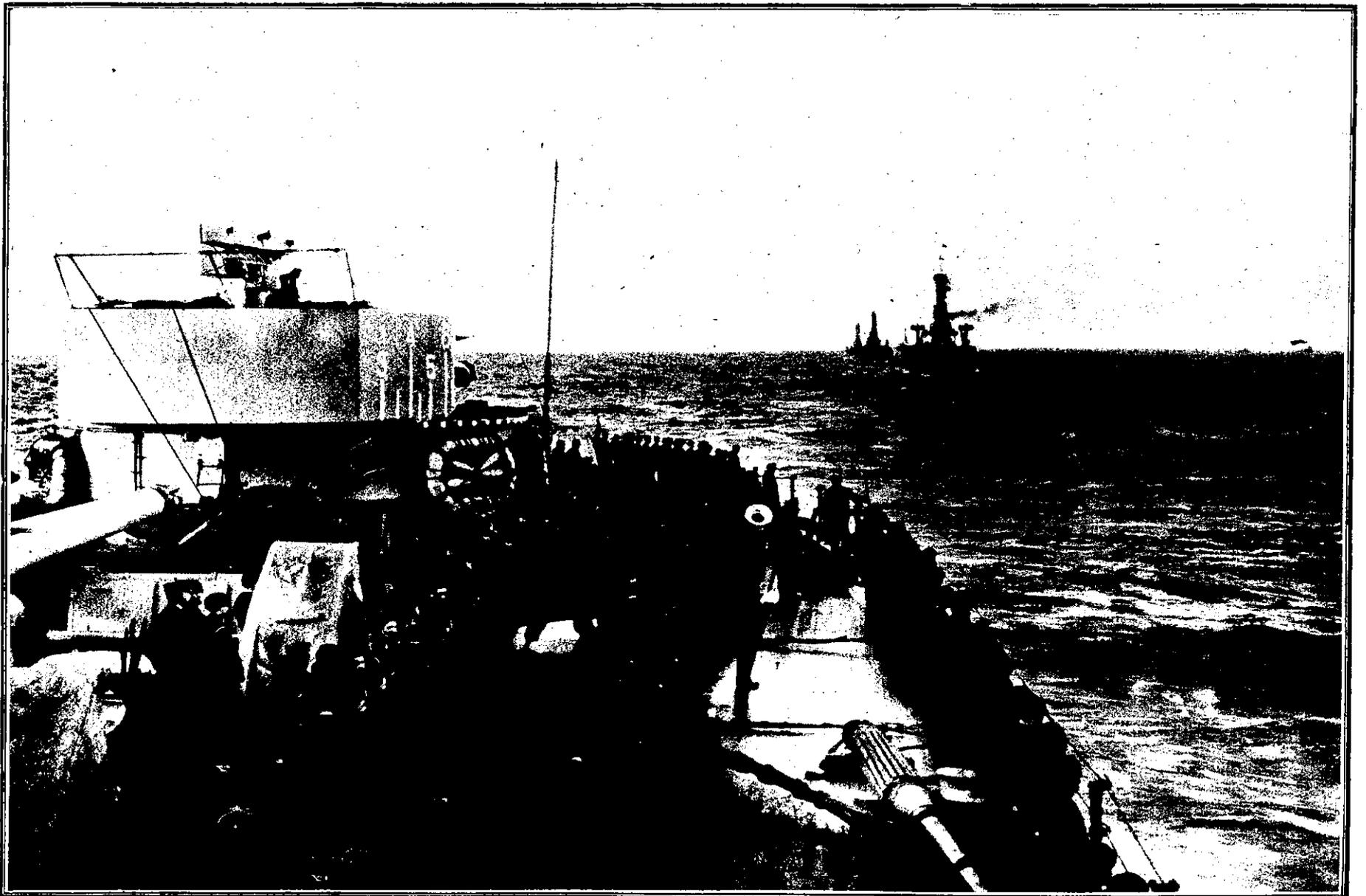
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The Wanganui Jockey Club's autumn meeting commenced under conditions of the best. The absence of Desert Gold was, of course, a disappointment to some, but did not mar the meeting, though the presence of Gloaming, whose star is in the ascendant, certainly helped to make it more attractive than it would have been without him. The Wanganui Jockey Club have been lucky in having a number of cracks present in two successive years, and with increased attendances it would have been strange had there not been a corresponding increase in the totalisator receipts each year. The club have always sought to keep up to date in its totalisator arrangements, and was one of the very first to have the old pari mutuel installed, 39 years ago, and is one of the clubs which will shortly instal new machinery similar to what was in use at Ellerslie at the summer meeting. Whether greater things will be accomplished than under the present regime remains to be seen. The business of to-day can perhaps be fairly well done by the aid of the machines in use, but the Wanganui Jockey Club is nothing unless it is progressive, and the executive are clearly looking ahead. Both the Taranaki and Egmont meetings, which preceded the Wanganui gathering, showed that increased totalisator figures had been reached, and the increases were put down to the presence of the two cracks, Desert Gold and Gloaming, and not to the natural order of racing affairs. Be that as it may, the Wanganui Jockey Club's meeting, with only one of the star performers on hand to assist, did very well to be able to show a correspondingly greater increase than the Taranaki clubs. Wanganui has always led, and the more central geographical position on the coast line on the West Coast of the North Island, gives the old-established metropolitan club a great pull over many of its rivals. The stake offerings are greater, and the meetings are very attractive to racegoers, both north and south.

There were many reasons for jubilation over the recent Wanganui meeting. The Wanganui Cup was won by a Wanganui-bred gelding, whose parents, sire and dam, were also bred in Wanganui, and were well known performers. Both Dusky Eve and his sire (Signor) were bred by Mr. G. F. Moore, of Bushy Park, who, though a breeder of good horses, is even better known as a breeder of a high grade of Hereford cattle. Dusky Eve's success was a tribute to his sire, who was a genuine stayer, also to his much-raced dam (Swift), who raced during seven seasons over all distances up to a mile and a-half on the flat and with a fair measure of success, averaging in starts some ten races each season, for a total of some 15 wins. It was not until she had been at the stud about 13 years that she bred Dusky Eve, so that Mr. H. M. Campbell's gelding, who is now well on in his seventh year, is a brilliant example of what may sometime result from the mating of an old and much-raced mare with a stout constitutioned, well performed sire. Signor holds a New Zealand record of 3min. 53 2-5sec. for two miles and a-quarter, and we have yet to hear of a four-year-old with 9.0, or any horse carrying that weight or more, successfully in Australasia in as good time. An English-bred mare, Harriet Graham, won the Australian Cup in the difference between one-fourth and one-fifth of a second faster time at five years old and carried the light impost of 6.12, and thus holds the Australasian record.

It may come as a surprise to many racing experts that such an old and much raced mare as Swift, whose pedigree cannot be traced far, was still equal to bearing an out-and-out stayer and a brilliant gelding like Dusky Eve, the Wanganui Cup winner. Old-fashioned breeders would certainly have bred freely from a stayer like Signor, a neat substantial horse, with mares like Swift in

order to try and obtain such as Dusky Eve, but the modern breeder would not consider it good business using a sire of an outside figure number on a mare of Swift's age and absence of longer pedigree credentials. Though hers has been a fairly good racing family, there have not been any champions of the line, none at least quite as capable it may be thought of getting a mile and three-quarters with even the same moderate impost as Dusky Eve carried. There have been some rather better horses at say a mile to a mile and a-quarter on the flat and a number were useful over hurdles. Swift was started in the jumping line a bit late in life after she had had a strenuous time on the flat. She won the Foxton Cup when it was a mile and a-half, and on the same day captured another flat race. At her best she was probably quite as good as her son up to a mile and a-quarter.

but the pace was all too solid for him to get up, as the race was run in the record time of 2min. 59sec. He was carrying 9lb. more than he had last year, and is probably quite as good a horse. A little bit of extra weight is nothing when the class is not good or when the bearer of it is the better stayer. Menelaus and Dusky Eve ran another good race in the Wanganui Stakes, and the difference in the weights as compared with what was carried in the Cup and the distance altered matters. Client was brought through from last place into second too sharply, and the early run settled him.

That the very useful Croesus did not suffer in the slightest from his fall in the Egmont Stakes is practically certain, and it is with much satisfaction that those who are fond of good horses would receive the evidence of this, for he ran every

because she was put to the limit of her speed by a fast lightweighed performer. The English-bred filly, Bonny Briar, who was carrying 7.7, or 14lb. over her original handicap impost, and 13lb. less than the Taranaki filly, who has the advantage in age. Silver Link is undoubtedly the fastest of her sex over a few furlongs that we have seen in the Dominion for some years, Desert Gold included. We do not need to bulk facts when they are so apparent. The best has not yet been seen of the daughter of Achilles, who won again on Saturday, carrying 9.3 and registering one of the best six-furlong gallops ever recorded on the Wanganui course. Achilles was one of the very best milers we ever had. Secret Link, dam of Silver Link, was a really useful mare, by Bezonian from Chainstitch, by Chainshot, from Sylph (by Javelin), from Maid of the Mountain, by Traducer from Myrtle, by Nutwith from Sharkie, ancestress of Advance. Silver Link was one of the many gifts that have been obtained at yearling sales in Auckland and at Epsom. She was one of a draft sent from the Waikanae Stud, and was purchased there by Mr. A. Alexander, her Taranaki owner, who got her for 80 guineas. She has won five races this season and three last, besides running third in her first essay as a two-year-old. Her record is a distinctly good one. She has certainly been very kindly dealt with in handicap events this season; indeed, she has been recognised as a good one on all courses where she has appeared, and has always acquitted herself well since she started racing, 14 months ago.

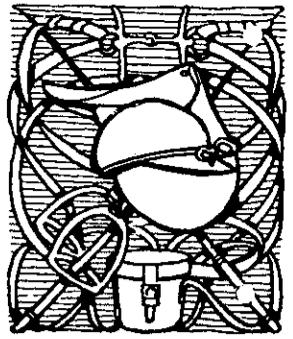
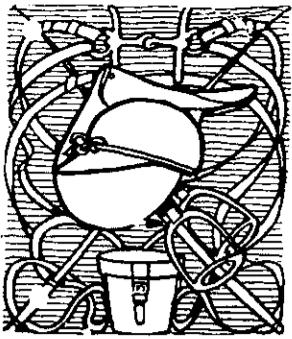
The restrictions placed on racing again in Australia just after the announcement that pre-war conditions would be resorted to are the result of the outbreak of influenza in the Commonwealth. They are not made general throughout the length and breadth of the island continent and have not reached to Queensland, and are apparently not likely to be of very long duration near the metropolis of New South Wales if the authorities can see their way clear to order otherwise. In Victoria the outlook is not quite so reassuring, and if some of the meetings next month are not held at their due dates there need be no surprise. It is thought that the Sydney side meetings will be the gainers, as horses intended to race at the V.R.C. and V.A.T.C. meetings will likely remain in New South Wales. It is an ill wind, etc. In New Zealand the effect of postponements was seriously felt by owners. In Australia the result of lifting restrictions there would have been an abnormal increase of meetings if clubs were all bent on trying to crowd in days that had been dropped temporarily and that appeared to be what some were aiming at. Owners are to be sympathised with, but the shareholders in proprietary clubs can live on their fat profits for a time, while the non-proprietary clubs are well off and will not suffer seriously. They are really managed for their patrons and the good of sport. Not only will the owners suffer, but horsemen, and in a lesser degree the trainers. It is usually a matter of six weeks or two months before the influenza runs its course, and the restrictions are not likely to be long found advisable or necessary. It is perhaps fortunate that the disease came while fine summer weather has been in evidence. A cable from Melbourne last Saturday stated that committee meetings of the Victorian Amateur Turf Club and the Victoria Racing Club considered the possible resumption of racing, and decided that should the embargo be raised in time the Caulfield autumn meeting should take place on March 3 and 4, and the Flemington meeting should start on March 8. The New Zealand horses from the Wairarapa were not released from quarantine until February 10, so would have just three weeks ahead of them if raced thereat.



KING GEORGE'S MOST RECENT VISIT TO THE FRONT. His Majesty is seen bidding farewell to Marshal Petain, the hero of Verdun.

Depredation, who Dusky Eve defeated in the Wanganui Cup, is a genuine stayer, and though he has been under a cloud since shortly before he won the Auckland Cup in 1916, was produced in something like his best form and made good use of his reasonable impost. Menelaus, who had bad luck in the race last year and who many were waiting to back on the second day had he then appeared, ran quite up to his best form of last season. Apparently this is the race that he was especially "set" for, and it was no disgrace to be beaten by two such good stayers and nicely treated pair as Dusky Eve and Depredation. The Musket blood is present in both. There are two strains in the last-named. Client, twice winner of the race, was set his most difficult task to date, but ran a good fourth, carrying 9.0,

bit as good a race in the Jackson stakes at Wanganui as he did a fortnight before in the Taranaki Stakes, and ran well each time. Gloaming, however, was meeting him on w.f.a. terms in the Wanganui event, and thus on 10lb. better terms and had a much easier race, as he was not interfered with in any way, and had no extra poundage. The effect of weight must necessarily be felt when it comes to racing over long distances, but in a lesser degree over the shorter courses. No authorities need be quoted in support of such a contention. Gloaming could easily have put up a course record at Wanganui had his rider had instructions to put him to an unnecessary test, other than winning the race. Silver Link, later in the day, put up a time performance that no other three-year-old has done over the same course



RACING NEWS

RACING FIXTURES, 1919.

Feb. 26, 27—Dannevirke R.C.
 Mar. 7, 8—Napier Park R.C.
 Mar. 1, 3—Hamilton R.C.
 Mar. 4—Akaroa County R.C.
 Mar. 5, 6—Nelson J.C.
 Mar. 8, 10—Te Aroha J.C.
 Mar. 13—Waimate R.C.
 Mar. 13, 14—Wairarapa R.C.
 Mar. 15, 17—Ohinemuri J.C.
 Mar. 17—Westport J.C.
 Mar. 17—Opunake R.C.
 Mar. 19—Ngaruawahia R.C.
 Mar. 22, 24—Thames J.C.
 Mar. 26—Rangitikei R.C.
 April 2—Gore R.C.
 April 9, 10—Southland R.C.
 April 19, 21, 23, 26—Australian J.C.
 April 19, 21—Auckland R.C.
 April 19, 21—Riverton R.C.
 April 21—Beaumont J.C.
 April 21—Waipukurau J.C.
 April 2, 3—Hawke's Bay J.C.

EVENTS REQUIRING ATTENTION.

Wednesday, February 26.

Weights second day Dannevirke R.C. autumn, at 8.30 p.m.
 Acceptances second day Dannevirke R.C. autumn, at 9.30 p.m.

Saturday, March 1.

Weights second day, Hamilton R.C. annual, about 8 p.m.
 Acceptances second day Hamilton R.C. annual, at 10 p.m.
 Nominations Ohinemuri J.C. annual, at 8 p.m.

Monday, March 3.

Weights first day Te Aroha J.C. annual.

Wednesday, March 5.

Acceptances first day Te Aroha J.C. annual, at 5 p.m.

Saturday, March 8.

Weights second day Te Aroha J.C. annual, at 9 p.m.
 Acceptances second day Te Aroha J.C. annual, at 10 p.m.
 Nominations Thames J.C. annual, by 5 p.m.

Tuesday, March 11.

Weights first day Ohinemuri J.C. annual.

Wednesday, March 12.

Acceptances first day Ohinemuri J.C. annual, at 8 p.m.

Friday, March 14.

Nominations A.R.C. Easter Handicap, St. George's Handicap, Brighton Hurdles and Autumn Steeplechase, at 5 p.m.
 Entries Hawke's Bay J.C. autumn, by 8 p.m., also subscript on H.B. Stakes.

HAWKE'S BAY JOCKEY CLUB.

AUTUMN MEETING.

The Hawke's Bay Jockey Club will hold their autumn meeting on the Hastings racecourse on Wednesday and Thursday, April 2 and 3, a first-rate programme having been arranged in connection with this popular fixture. The leading event is the Hawke's Bay Cup Handicap, of 700 sovs., 1½ miles, for which there should be a liberal entry from the prominent stables of the Dominion. The Hawke's Bay Cup is one of the oldest-established races in the history of the New Zealand turf, having been first run in 1875, and its distance is popular with owners and trainers, who appreciate the opportunity offered of winning a valuable handicap in the autumn, when jumping events are replacing many of the flat races on the various programmes. It is, therefore, certain that an excellent nomination will be received for the Hawke's Bay Cup. The chief sprint race on the opening day is the Porangahau Handicap, of 300sovs., six furlongs, which invariably attracts a large field of good quality. Another event which will assuredly meet with a deserving response from owners is the Nursery Handicap, of 300sovs., for two-year-olds, five furlongs, being an exceptional chance of picking up a substantial stake with a juvenile late in the season. The remaining events on the first day's programme are the Autumn Handicap, of 200sovs., once round; Mangatarata Handicap Hurdle Race, of 175sovs., 1¼ miles; Longlands Welter Hack Handicap, of 150sovs., once round; Poukawa Hack Handicap, of 150sovs., six furlongs; Maiden Hack Race, of 125sovs., six furlongs.

The second day's racing at Hastings will contain two notable attractions for the club's patrons, for in addition to the principal handicap event, the Burke Memorial Handicap, of 400sovs., 1¼ miles, that important weight-for-age classic, the Hawke's Bay Stakes, of 500sovs., for two and three-year-olds, 6½ furlongs, is to be decided. The prospect of a high-class

field contesting this valuable race is most favourable, so that a splendid race is promised. The two-year-old division will have another chance of earning distinction in the Juvenile Handicap, of 200sovs., five furlongs, while sprinters will be occupied with the Farewell Handicap, of 250sovs., six furlongs. Other events to be run on the second day are the Karamu Handicap Hurdles, of 175sovs., 1¼ miles; Ohiti Maiden Hack Handicap, of 125 sovs., six furlongs; Akitio Hack Handicap, of 150sovs., six furlongs; and the Okawa Hack Handicap, of 150sovs., 1¼ miles.

Nominations for all events are due with the secretary, Mr. H. S. Moss, Box 13 Hastings, on Friday, March 14, at 8 p.m.

ANOTHER STUD DISPERSAL SALE.

The lamentable death of the late Mr. R. D. M. Morrison, of Blairlogie, Masterton, a victim of the influenza epidemic, has brought into the open market a valuable stud of thoroughbreds, which are to be disposed of by auction, without reserve, on Friday, March 21st, at the Club Hotel stables,



Gisborne Cup candidates returning to the enclosure after the decision of that event.



Horses returning to scale after the Cook Handicap (six furlongs), won by WONDER (E. Reed), at the Poverty Bay Turf Club's summer meeting.

Masterton, by Messrs. Levin and Co., acting in conjunction with Messrs. A. J. Cooper and Co. There are twenty-one thoroughbred mares, including Straga (dam of Hymestra and Torfreda), Simper (dam of Affection), and other dams of winners; also five yearlings, comprising the Kilbroney-Linnet filly, King Mark—Simois colt, King Mark—Balama filly, Hymettus—Idealia colt, and King Mark filly from an unnamed daughter of Temeraire. The imported stud horse Hymettus and also Acrostic, by Multiform from Problem, who has been used as a station sire, will also be sold. The mares are nearly all stunted to Hymettus. It was the late Mr. Morrison's intention to breed for sale, but his untimely death has brought about the dispersal sale of the choice collection. Catalogues can be had upon application to the auctioneers.

OHINEMURI JOCKEY CLUB.

ANNUAL MEETING.

There should be an excellent response from owners and trainers on Saturday evening next (March 1), when entries for all events to be decided at the Ohinemuri Jockey Club's annual meeting on March 15 and 17, must be lodged either with the secretary, Mr. H. Poland, Paeroa, or with Mr. C. F. Mark, Auckland, by 8 p.m. The two days' programme is handsomely endowed in respect of stake monies, while the varied list of events caters for all types of the thoroughbred, and should be the means of providing the club's many patrons with some highly enjoyable sport. In addition to the Ohinemuri Cup, of 500sovs., 1¼ miles, and the Paeroa Handicap, of 400sovs., one mile (second day), the Paeroa Steeplechase, of 140sovs., 2½ miles (first day), and the Autumn Steeplechase, of 160sovs., three miles (second day), will create great interest among racegoers. The other events also promise to induce splendid entries, and the gathering should prove the most successful yet held at Paeroa.

In the Flying Handicap, after two or three breakaway, Pyjama got out on the move, and established such a lead that a win for him looked a certainty. His rider, however, took matters rather easily in the straight, and Hagerty, persevering on Buller, caught the leader in the last few strides, and piped him on the post.

There was no doubt a great deal of annoyance abroad when Pyjama slipped his field, but his subsequent defeat silenced any demonstrative feelings that might have been felt by the spectators. The stewards, however, held an inquiry into the start, and concluded by instructing the starter to make all the horses stand up to the barrier in future.

In the next race, the Waihoia Handicap, only six went to the post. The field included Bon Spec, who went out a strong favourite, whilst, apart from Osterman, the balance of the starters was made up by green performers. Bon Spec broke away as they lined up, but Porter stopped him before covering a furlong. At the next attempt Mr. Wood had them dead in line, but Bon Spec beat the barrier; Osterman was next out, but slow on his legs; whilst a couple of others made a very slow move off. Bon Spec cleared out from his field, and won pulling up. When the horses came back to enter the birdcage they were refused admittance, evidently because of an impression that it was not a start. The clerk of the course galloped down to meet the car bringing back the starter and stewards whose duty it was to be at the post for that particular race, and on his return the gates were opened.

By this time a large section of the outside patrons came down the course, and, surrounding the birdcage, set up a very hostile demonstration, which was joined in by many on the lawn, as Mr. Wood made his way to the stewards' stand. The demonstration was continued for several minutes, and no doubt its volume was assisted by the people seizing the opportunity to give vent to their feelings over the start for the Flying Handicap as well as for the apparently bad despatch in the Waihoia Handicap. The stewards again met, and the evidence of the officials who accompanied Mr. Wood to the post established the fact that the horses were in good line when sent away. There the matter ended as far as it was officially concerned, but undoubtedly a very hostile spirit was abroad concerning the advantage Pyjama obtained at the start for the Flying Handicap, and this, further augmented by the impression that Bon Spec had obtained an advantage in his race, largely contributed towards stirring up the feelings of the spectators.

Those who were closely observing the start for the Waihoia Handicap, however, were satisfied that it was a fair despatch, but the fact that Bon Spec is an exceptionally brilliant beginner and was only opposed by moderate performers and others with very little experience at the barrier, spoilt the appearance of the start. The cause for complaint and the demonstration was a climax brought about by the start for the D.J.C. Handicap, and that of the Flying Handicap, in which the despatch was of a very unsatisfactory nature. In future, the stewards should insist on a hard-and-fast observance of a rule that no start should take place unless a field is standing flat-footed at the barrier, and furthermore that far less consideration be extended to fractious horses.

Prior to the D.J.C. Handicap all the riders in the race were called before the stewards and warned about exercising more care in handling their mounts than was the case in connection with the running of the Dunedin Cup. After the first race, the stewards conducted the inquiry into the interference which took place during the running of the Berwick Handicap. After hearing evidence, it was decided not to take any further action in the matter, as there was not sufficient grounds to establish that there was any intentional interference.

CONCLUDING DAY'S RACES AT WINGATUI.

DEMONSTRATION AGAINST STARTER.

In connection with the concluding day's racing at Wingatui, remarks the Otago "Daily Times," a demonstration took place which has never been equalled on the Dunedin Jockey Club's course. Mr. A. G. Wood made a poor start in connection with the D.J.C. Handicap, in which, on the rise of the barrier, Rose Pink obtained a decided advantage, whilst Burringong was hopelessly left. Some of the others were apparently in doubt as to whether it was a start or not, and a momentary hesitancy on their part did not improve the appearance of the despatch. The spectators, however, accepted the uneven despatch as part of the game.

INTERPROVINCIAL

(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENTS.)

WELLINGTON.

Wanganui Jockey Club's Successful Meeting—Bonny Briar's Attractive Displays—Jutland's Impressive Showing—Bright Prospects for Dannevirke Meeting—Some Fancied Candidates.

WELLINGTON, Monday.

Returned visitors from the Wanganui Jockey Club's meeting, that took place on Thursday and Saturday last, speak of the gathering as being highly successful. With some capital racing and several exciting finishes, the club's handicapper, Mr. H. Coyle, was deservedly complimented on the result of his handiwork, and the fixture will long be remembered as a very enjoyable one to all concerned.

Mr. J. Cameron, who has accepted the position of judge to the Rangitikei Racing Club, has also been appointed to act in a similar capacity to the Feilding Jockey Club. With the increasing patronage that is being accorded him, Mr. Cameron should soon find himself a busy man with the racing clubs in his new capacity.

Mr. A. J. Toxward, of Lady Lucy Lodge, Kairanga, appears to have got hold of a clinking good sort in the English-bred filly Bonny Briar, who put up a distinctly creditable performance at Wanganui on Thursday. The three-year-old was produced in the Juvenile Handicap, run over five furlongs, which she won easily. She was again started later in the afternoon in the Flying Handicap, and after an exciting finish was beaten by a narrow margin by the favourite, Silver Link. To run two such excellent races within the space of an hour and a-half is surely something out of the ordinary, and betokens a

successful career in the future for this promising galloper.

Quite one of the most popular wins at Wanganui on the opening day was that of Rebekah in the Petre Hack Handicap, the daughter of Bezonian scoring in a convincing manner. The three-year-old is owned by Mr. J. J. Corry, Mayor of Blenheim, a pillar of the turf in Marlborough, who was present to see his galloper win. In Rebekah, Mr. Corry has a distinctly promising equine, and one that should carry his colours with some success.

Wellington and district was well represented at Wanganui, but the efforts of the local contingent were nothing to enthuse over, the only ones to get amongst the winners on the opening day being Rebekah and Cooing, while the failures of the remainder, especially Menelaus and Bonnie Maid, were very discomfiting to stay-at-home backers. By the way, Bonnie Maid's prospects in the Cup were considered second to none, and in a conversation with the writer on the morning of the race, the genial medico who owns the mare expressed the opinion that he fully expected her to win the event in question. The Great Northern St. Leger winner was, however, beaten out of a place. Bonnie Maid can be depended upon to make some amends for her defeat in the near future, as she is very well just now.

Jutland, the full brother to Postillion, Square Deal and Foeman, gives every promise of developing into a useful performer. The four-year-old, prior to starting at Wanganui, had only started once, when he won the Maiden Hack Scurry on the concluding day of the Egmont meeting. The black son of Advance should certainly bring some prestige to O. Cox's Hawera establishment.

Mr. J. Goring Johnston, an esteemed resident of Palmerston North, who, by the way, is unfortunately an inmate of a private hospital, was represented at Wanganui by a good-looking sort in Neglige, a two-year-old filly by Hallowmas from Overall, who ran a creditable second to Bonny Briar in the Juvenile Handicap on the opening day. The youngster gives every promise of carrying Mr. Johnston's colours with some success.

Amythas, owned by Mr. F. S. Easton, was one of the disappointments on the opening day at Wanganui. The two-year-old was burdened with a heavy impost, and this may have retarded his progress.

"Mick" Hurley, of Palmerston North, nearly sprang a surprise on his friends at Wanganui on Thursday last with Papanui, who ran third in the Wiritoa Hack Handicap. The brown gelding was a big outsider, and was just headed off by Arrowfield for second place. The son of Papakura is a distinctly promising sort.

Bo-Peep again ran very disappointingly when started in the Flying Handicap at Wanganui. This three-year-old daughter of Bezonian and Shepherdess is not quite so good as some of her friends make her out to be, but she may improve with age.

The acceptances received for the Dannevirke Racing Club's meeting this week are very satisfactory. Quite a number of local sporting enthusiasts are planning a trip to the fixture, and this district should be well represented. Gatherings at Dannevirke are always held in high esteem and the approaching fixture promises to be no exception to the general rule.

F. J. Carmont, at Levin, has Naughty Girl (Nautiform—Waingonoro) fast getting up to concert pitch. This half sister to the once speedy Tangimoana should soon be accounting for some stake money. The three-year-old is down to compete at Dannevirke.

The Wellington owner, Mr. F. O. Weine, will be represented at Dannevirke by the Auckland-bred Arch

Lassie, who is doing nicely under C. Pritchard's care at Trentham.

Dry Up (Demosthenes—Drought) is shortly due for a win. The bay gelding will be found amongst the runners at Dannevirke.

In Simonides, Depredation and Robur the New Plymouth trainer, R. Barlow, has a trio of gallopers that should bring some prestige to his establishment during the next few months.

Stutter, the five-year-old mare by Demosthenes from Tamereri, is fast coming up to concert pitch under J. F. Walker's guidance at Woodville. The galloper named should soon be getting her number hoisted by the judge.

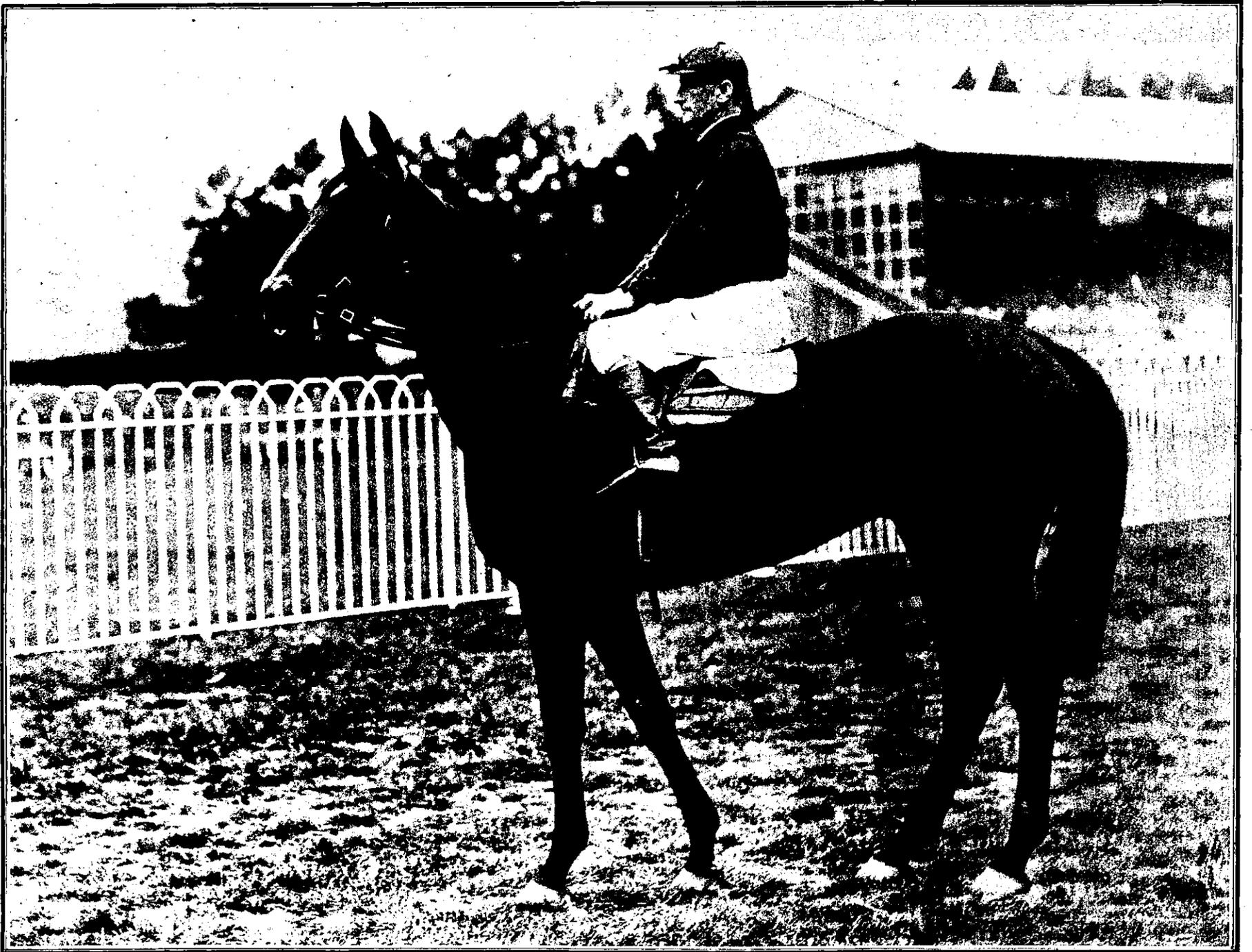
Quite a number of enthusiasts are wondering how Haumakaka is doing. Perhaps Mr. Claude Nelson, of Martinborough, will be able to tell them shortly. It is rumoured that the Achilles—Punawai gelding is being reserved for an important race to be run in the winter.

Birkenvale let his party down badly at Wanganui, and the writer is under the impression that the gelding's win at Hawera was a flash out of the pan. There are a number of enthusiasts who wish that the son of Birkenhead had not competed at Egmont owing to the fact that his success robbed a number of shrewd critics of some woolbrokers' coin, for had Bo-Peep exchanged positions with the winner there would have been something doing.

T. George, at Awapuni, has Volito showing excellent form on the tracks. This five-year-old son of Hymettus—Vega is credited with being capable of carrying his owners' (Messrs. C. R. and F. J. Attfield) colours with some success on the turf. Certainly the horse's prospects for the future are distinctly promising.

Consequent upon his securing several positions to act as judge, Mr. J. Cameron is fast relinquishing the horses trained by him. The latest to leave his stable is Forum, owned jointly by Mr. Alf. Reid, the well-known stock auctioneer, of Hawke's Bay, and Mr. Frank Armstrong, of Akitio, who has been sent to A.

Notable Performers on the New Zealand Turf.—No. 36: RORKE'S DRIFT.



A DUAL DUNEDIN CUP WINNER—MESSRS. F. A. AND V. N. PRICE'S B G RORKE'S DRIFT, AGED, BY CALIBRE—O'RORKE'S FANCY, WHO, A FORTNIGHT AGO, WON THE DUNEDIN CUP (ONE MILE AND A-HALF) FOR THE SECOND TIME, HIS FORMER WIN IN THAT EVENT BEING RECORDED IN 1916. J. OLSEN IN SADDLE. TRAINED BY P. T. HOGAN. Altogether RORKE'S DRIFT has won £6250 in stakes, £4050 of this amount being secured at the Dunedin Jockey Club's meetings at Wingatui.

Shearsby, at Palmerston North, to be trained for the future.

The Wanganui Jockey Club, with the idea of enlightening their patrons of the whereabouts of trainers, published in their race books a list of their respective addresses. In many instances the addresses given are very incorrect, and are certainly badly in need of revision if the information is to be of any use to racing followers. The innovation is a commendable one provided accurate information is contained in the 'krect card.

HAWKE'S BAY.

Waipukurau J.C.'s Contemplated Improvements—New Buildings to be Erected—R. Gooseman's Quartette for Dannevirke—Anzac Race Gathering in Palestine—Merrie Lad to be Given Another Chance at Cross-country Racing.

NAPIER, Monday.

Next Wednesday Mr. E. S. Luttrell visits the Waipukurau Jockey Club's property for the purpose of drawing up designs and preparing estimates for the new buildings that the club has decided to erect. As showing the progressive policy of the club, it may be stated that the sum set aside for the improvement is £8000, and as the matter is to be gone on with very shortly—after the approaching annual race meeting to be held on Easter Monday—next year's patrons of this popular country fixture should find their wants and requirements attended to in an up-to-date manner.

Waterform and Sensitive, who have not been long in work again after a lengthened holiday, are doing all serene in their track essays on the trying-out arena at Napier Park.

Trainer J. Munn, who has been on the sick list for some time past, is progressing favourably towards recovery, though it is anticipated by his medical attendant that he will not, for some time at least, be able to take an active hand in the following of his profession. During his lay up the team domiciled at his quarters are under the control of Luke Wilson, the bunch consisting of half a dozen, the latest addition to them being a coming two-year-old full-brother to Hetaua.

Four of R. Gooseman's team, in Hindi, The Speaker, Orateur and Murree, are under orders to leave Hastings for Dannevirke to-morrow. The latter filly is a three-year-old full-sister to Indigo and Hindi, but so far has not shown any of the ability possessed by her relatives.

This week I received an interesting letter from the erstwhile local jockey Clarence Rollo, who at the time of penning his communication was at Richon Le Sion, Palestine. He seems to be doing all serene at the khaki job, and in addition has not forgotten how to ride, for a race card that he also forwarded of the meeting held by the Anzac Mounted Division on December 11 last showed that he piloted the winner (Stonewall Jackson) of the Anzac Steeplechase. The distance of the trip was 1½ miles, over six jumps, each three feet six inches high, and all of the runners carried 12.0. He also had the seat on Sinia in the Divisional Stakes (four furlongs), weight 11.0, in which he was just beaten for second money. Sinia is identical with Chamois (Wonderland—Eland), who during the earlier portion of her career was trained by R. Gooseman for her breeder, Mr. G. Hunter, and who later on, under the cognomen of Gold Cup, was seen in action at Miramar, Wellington. Another locally bred gee-gee who was one of the runners at the meeting was Rising Sun (Robin Adair—Rangimoki) who was bred in the Wairoa district. A totalisator was run in connection with the gathering, dividends being paid on the first and second horses. The largest stake at the fixture was the Anzac Steeplechase, in which the winner's share

amounted to £10, and the runner-up got £3.

Amythas, who got away with the verdict in the two-year-old event at Wanganui on Saturday, was bred at Crissoge by the late Mr. G. P. Donnelly, and is a son of Demosthenes and Gold Treasure. The youngster is a full-brother to Demotic and brother to Treasure King, the latter being sired by King's Guest.

Eligible and Multiply are doing hack duty on their owner's (Mr. T. E. Welch) station at Wanstead. The pair are looking well on the tasks apportioned them, and Mr. Welch intends later on to give them another chance to distinguish themselves on the convincing grounds.

There were some good winners here on Thursday over the success of Dusky Eve, who was given out by his connections as having a second to none chance in the Wanganui Cup. They were right. On Saturday another bunch was unloaded on Dusky Eve, and his set-back took some of the profit off the first day's collection on his account, for his second dividend was considerably short of the original amount invested.

Mrs. M. A. Perry scored a win at Wanganui on Saturday, for Hendra, who settled those opposed to him in the Autumn Handicap, is her property.

Merrie Lad is expected back shortly at the Lake Station, and another attempt will be made to get him ready for 'chasing events.

Several of the local sports who assisted at the late Wairoa meeting give starter R. E. Harley great kudos for his work at the barrier.

Powder King, who paid the dividend of the meeting at Wairoa last week, is owned by Mr. H. J. Holder, one of the stewards of the Napier Park Racing Club. Powder King, who is a half-brother to Redloh by King's Guest, has not won out of his turn, for it was at the previous meeting of the Wairoa County Racing Club that he registered his last annexation, and in the interim he has faced the barrier on eleven attempts, a second being the best that he could do.

Silver Tongue, Manhattan and Lady Kilworth are now being trained by R. Plummer at Dannevirke. Mr. T. E. Welch owns the trio, who are coming on well in their tests on the hasten-up circuits.

WAIRARAPA.

Rebuff on Easy List—Masterton Trainers Assisting at Dannevirke—Valuable Youngsters at the Blairlogie Stud.

MASTERTON, Friday.

Mr. J. Bull's thoroughbred stallion, All Red (Stepniak—Madder) was awarded first prize at the Masterton Show this week.

Rebuff is on the easy list at present, and has been given a dose of physic. This youngster was to have gone to Australia with Mr. Kemball's other horses, but at the last minute was sent back to Masterton.

The Taratahi-Carterton Racing Club has been granted a permit for a one-day meeting, and it has been decided to race on May 29.

Ben. Nichols has now eight horses under his charge for Mr. Kemball, and it is quite on the cards that they will be shipped to Australia in a few months' time, to join the other members of the team now on the other side.

Otara was responsible for a really good gallop over a mile in company with Multicipal before going to Wanganui, and he was well supported locally for his engagements.

Masterton trainers at present assisting at the Dannevirke meeting are: T. Pritchard (Damien, Galore and Tuticorn), J. T. Jamieson (Multicipal and Rose Wreath), B. Nichols (Multaine and Missgold), T. Higgins (Zabism), and R. Knox (Penury Rose).

Chimera ran a good race in the Flying Handicap at Wanganui on the

opening day, and was just behind the placed horses. Mr. Vallance's mare at last shows signs of coming back to form.

Master E. Garrett, a son of the well-known Opaki trainer, was awarded first prize for the best boy rider at the Masterton Show this week.

Missmorn and Missmaid, the two Bezonian fillies owned by Mr. Kemball, have been given their initial try-out on the local track, and give promise of turning out useful. They are both quiet and easily handled, and it may not be long before they are sent along in earnest.

Among the youngsters at present at the Blairlogie Stud are a full relation to Affectation (Kilbroney—Simper) and a yearling by Kilbroney—Grey Linnet. Grey Linnet recently brought 600 guineas at the dispersal sale of Mr. J. B. Reid's stud.

The Martian—Rose Red colt, recently purchased by Mr. Kemball, is of a very quiet and contented disposition, and is now being handled by Ben. Nichols. It is to be hoped the stable will have better luck with this colt than was the case with Vasilkov, for the son of Autumnus and Ukraine was not able to show his pace on account of accidents.

Neither J. T. Jamieson nor T. Higgins made the trip to Wanganui through their charges having gone amiss. Lady General had a recurrence of the trouble which laid her aside a few months back, and has had to be blistered. This is hard luck for T. Higgins, as his mare was showing signs of coming back to her best form. Jamieson lost the services of both Torfreda and Affectation just prior to the meeting, although in neither case is it thought the injuries are serious. Torfreda has been very unlucky this season, and although she has run some good races, it has generally been through the interference of some other horse that she has met with one mishap after another.

At a meeting of stewards of the Pahiatua Racing Club on Tuesday last the president (Mr. J. McArdle) made reference to the impending departure from the district of Mr. E. Darley, one of the stewards and hon. clerk of the scales. He said Mr. Darley had been a most valuable member of the stewards committee and had filled his duties in the weighing room admirably, the club having learned that there was no need for anxiety so long as Mr. Darley was at the scales. Mr. McArdle concluded by wishing Mr. Darley every success, and expressing the hope that he would always be able to return to Pahiatua at race time to give the club a lift along. It is Mr. Darley's intention to take up his residence in Auckland shortly.

CANTERBURY.

Matters Quiet at Riccarton—Miss Mimic on Easy List—Primum Sold—Punka and Kilrush Being Treated to Spells—Sundance Suffering From Slight Injury—Notes on the Otago Meeting—Kilbrogan Wins Chief Event.

CHRISTCHURCH, Saturday.

During the past week matters have been exceptionally dull at Riccarton as a result of so many trainers being away.

Most of the Chokebore horses have been doing the lightest of tasks, but there is nothing much for them till the big autumn meetings come round.

Since her return from Dunedin Miss Mimic has been on the easy list, and she will not sport silk again till the C.J.C. Easter meeting.

Primum was sold last week to an Invercargill owner at 350gns., but made an inauspicious start in his new owner's colours. At Oamaru on Thursday he got so badly left in the Juvenile Handicap as to have his chance quite spoiled. When trained at Riccarton by G. M. Aynsley the son of Nassau shaped so well as to sug-

gest a good race coming his way in the autumn.

Punka was not taken to the Oamaru meeting, and is at present on the easy list. It would not come as a surprise to find her racing in Australia before very long.

Kilrush is practically out of commission, and may not race again this season. A lengthy spell should do him a lot of good.

The Yaldhurst-trained filly Sundance has been on the easy list as a result of being badly kicked before the Dunedin meeting. Fortunately the injury is not of a very serious nature, and trainer Dick O'Donnell has every hope of having her right by the time the C.J.C. Easter meeting comes round. She has a torrent of speed, and only wants more racing experience to make the best use of it.

Riccarton-trained horses did not fare any too well on the first day of the North Otago Jockey Club's meeting. Margerine had a strong following for the North Otago Cup, but though she ran a fair race, appeared to be in want of a few strong gallops. She should be quite at her best by the autumn, and is almost sure to pick up a good race.

Sisyphus, in the same stable, showed further improvement by capturing the Pukeuri Welter. He was always in a handy position, and finished so well as to suggest a longer distance race coming his way. R. Derritt has effected a great improvement in the son of Treadmill since getting charge of him.

Judging by her display in the North Otago Cup, Rose Pink is not much good under heavy imposts. She failed to show any of her accustomed brilliancy, and never had a look in.

Kilbrogan had a fair share of luck in winning the big event at Oamaru. He got away particularly well from an indifferent start, while Winter Cherry, John Barleycorn and Golden King were all badly served at the barrier. Under the circumstances Golden King did remarkably well to run Kilbrogan to within half a length, and the positions may have easily been reversed.

The starting at the North Otago meeting was anything but satisfactory, especially on the first day. Eleus and Daytime both got badly left in the Flying Handicap, and the former's win was, under the circumstances, a great performance. Daytime made up most of his leeway, and under average conditions should have got second money.

It would hardly be fair to blame Mr. Wood for the indifferent starting at Oamaru, as he was greatly handicapped by the out-of-date barrier. In the last race he discarded it, but the result was not too favourable.

LATER.

Sisyphus Scores Dual Win at Oamaru—Claims Two Engagements at Akaroa—Recent Addition to M. Hobbs' Team—Koesian on the Improve—Fairie Knight Changes Hands.

(Telegraph—Christchurch Correspondent)

All Riccarton horses that raced at North Otago are back again, and many of them are being kept going in view of the Akaroa County meeting next Saturday.

As a result of his dual win at Oamaru Sisyphus will have to put up a 12lb. penalty in both his races at Akaroa. Even so, he has made so much improvement of late that the extra poundage should not stop him in either event he is started in.

On his return from Oamaru M. Hobbs brought with him several yearlings purchased on behalf of Australian owners at the Elderslie sale. He will look after them at Riccarton till the opportunity comes to ship them to their new homes. A recent addition to Hobbs' stable is a yearling by Kilbroney from Teacup, owned by Mr. E. Luttrell. Being an early foal he will be broken in forthwith.

Winter Cherry's new owner has tired of her recent failures, most of



THE FINISH OF THE COOK HACK HANDICAP (SIX FURLONGS) AT THE POVERTY BAY TURF CLUB'S SUMMER MEETING.—WONDER (A. Reed) wins from LORD MUSKERRY (C. Emerson), with RYLSTONE (Goodwin) third.

which can be put down to her refusal to face the barrier. The daughter of Minoru has been acquired by Mr. N. Fulton, who will probably retire her to the stud.

After being in a rather bad way for a week, Koesian is on the improve, and Longley has hopes of being able to race him again late in the season.

Though he has not done much beyond sprinting tasks, Fiery Cross is galloping almost as brilliantly as ever. All going well with him he will be raced at the Gore and Invercargill meetings.

Fairie Knight has been purchased by Mr. R. Acton Adams, who intends trying to make a jumper out of Golden Knight's good-looking son.

After Sisyphus had won the Burnside Handicap at Oamaru he had to undergo the ordeal of a protest lodged on the ground of bumping. Though there was undoubtedly a good deal of rough riding in the race, the stewards met the case by cautioning Sisyphus' rider.

Gamecock let his connections down badly again in the Parkside Welter at Oamaru, quite failing to reproduce anything like his best track form. This probably accounts for his withdrawal from his Akaroa engagements.

Mr. J. B. Reid's promising two-year-old, Sunart, finished up his task in the Juvenile Handicap at Oamaru like a tradesman. A hundred yards from the post Marjery looked to have him well beaten, but the Sunny Lake gelding wore her down in the last few strides.

Daytime effected a great surprise by running out a very solid mile in the Buckley Memorial Handicap at Oamaru. He was in front practically all the way, and just struggled home from the stronger-finishing Golden King.

WANGANUI.

Jutland's Promising Form at Local Meeting—F. Tilley's Representatives for Hamilton Meeting—Other Local Candidates Claiming Engagements at Hamilton—Sale of Mr. G. M. Currie's Yearlings.

WANGANUI, Monday.

Vance was very sore after running at Hawera, and was unable to start here. It appears that she broke away from a man who was holding her after running second to Jutland and knocked herself about badly.

The good opinion expressed in these columns about Jutland last week was soon confirmed, as the son of Advance—Brown Spec ran two good races at Wanganui, running second to Rebekah on the opening day and beating a good field in the Wiritoa Hack the second day.

F. Tilley will probably take four horses north for the Hamilton meeting, as he has Rude, Coolpan, Arrowfield and a maiden engaged there. Rude is in the Cup at 7.13, but will have to carry a penalty as the result of his win here. Even with the extra poundage he is likely to be hard to beat if he is at his best on the day.

Coolpan did not race at Wanganui, but is said to be going along well, and is not badly treated in the Claudelands Handicap with 7.9.

Arrowfield is in capital fettle, and on his running here should soon win. He is in the Karamu Welter at 8.9.

Pennon ran well in both her engagements here, and if she is not too sore after her exertions she will be taken to Hamilton for the Cambridge Handicap, in which she has 8.2.

Golden Bubble will also probably be seen out in the Tamahere Stakes at Hamilton, in which the two-year-old son of Absurd has 7.5. His racing here should have benefited him greatly.

Robur did no good here, but she is very well, and it would be no surprise to see her win a race at Dannevirke, as she was going very fast at the end of each of her races at Wanganui.

Although Chortle has not raced for a long time, and is looking very big, he slipped over half a mile in 51sec. on the track here the other morning, on the outside of the trestles, thus demonstrating that he has not lost his brilliancy.

Henry Clay was beaten in both his efforts here, but he is very fit, and is likely to win shortly. He is engaged in the Hartgill Memorial Stakes at Dannevirke at 8.10. Tigritiya (8.3) is in the same event, and her performances here point to her as one which should soon get amongst the winners.

The running of a number of the horses at the Wanganui meeting was remarkably consistent. For instance,

of the first four in the Wanganui Cup three were in the first four in the Stakes. Dusky Eve won the Cup and was just beaten in the Stakes by Menelaus, who ran third in the Cup, while Client was fourth in both events. Last year the son of Elevation landed the double.

At the sale of Mr. G. M. Currie's yearlings on Friday the highest price paid was 575 guineas, by Mr. Lindgreen, for the chestnut colt by Absurd from Eulogy (the dam of Pennon). Mr. J. Williamson, of Auckland, purchased four youngsters, including a colt by Absurd—Lady Eta for 175 guineas, a filly by Absurd—Condamine for 150gns., a gelding by Absurd—Holyrood for 40gns., and a gelding by King Rufus—Graduate for 30gns. Mr. G. D. Greenwood secured a brown colt by Absurd—Bronze for 200gns., and a similar amount was paid by Mr. Peacock, of Hastings, for a black colt by Absurd—Cintra. Mr. Lindgreen paid 105gns. for a chestnut filly by Absurd—Marsala. A brown filly by Absurd—Liquify realised 75gns., Mr. Crosse, of Hawke's Bay, being the purchaser. A chestnut filly by Absurd—Carmantia went to Mr. Sid. Reid for 120gns.

SOUTHLAND.

Gore Easter Meetings—Rorke's Drift's Successful Turf Career—Local Breeders' Purchases at Elderslie Sale—Daringdale Broken Down—Death of Popular Lake County Sportsman.

INVERCARGILL, February 20.

When the North Otago Jockey Club's fixture at Oamaru concludes this week and the southern horses competing thereat return home training operations will become more interesting in view of an unusually crowded autumn campaign. The weather is favourable for working horses and growing grain at present, and thus many owners of thoroughbreds are wearing the expression of contented men.

The Gore Racing Club have decided to race on April 2 and 4, with the Gore Trotting Club's postponed fixture on the intervening date. As both clubs race on the same track, a great deal of expense will be saved in working cost of totalisator and racecourse management, but the experiment is a risky one, as the meetings will follow on the heels of the Forbury Park Trotting Club and the Southland Racing Club gatherings, with the Riverton Racing Club fixture to come immediately afterwards. During the current season the pneumatic plague and the war curtailment of racing have played havoc with the operations of the two Gore clubs, and it is to be hoped that success will attend their April efforts.

"The Wingatui Champion," as Rorke's Drift is often termed, added to his unique record last week when he carried No. 1 saddlecloth in the Dunedin Cup and won in a gallant manner from a numerous field. He has started four times in the race and won on two occasions. The race was a very rough one, bumping and jostling being rife, but J. Olsen kept Rorke's Drift up at the head of affairs and thus the son of Calibre escaped serious trouble throughout. During his turf career the bay gelding has won £6250 in stakes, and his victories include all the leading events contested at the Dunedin J.C. headquarters, most of them on more than one occasion. His winnings to date at Wingatui total £4050.

The veteran trainer, George Hope, is at present an inmate of the Southland Hospital, suffering from a broken leg, the injury being sustained as the result of slipping off a curbstone during a dark night.

The Messrs. F. A. and V. N. Price's horse, Rorke's Drift, ran a great race under 10.0 in the Dunedin Jockey Club Handicap on the concluding day of the meeting, but Rose Pink held an initial advantage gained at the start to score by a length and a quarter, while Glendower defeated Rorke's Drift by a nose for second money. P. T. Hogan's stable made a fine effort to secure the double of the day, as Rorke's Drift's stable companion, Redshire, was narrowly beaten into third place by Lionskin and Kilbrogan in the Publican's Handicap.

Local breeders were prominent buyers at the Elderslie Stud dispersal sale. One of the imported mares, Sprig of Erin, purchased by the president of the Southland Racing Club, was evidently wanted in Australia, as Mr. W. T. Hazlett was offered a substantial increase on the 500 guineas for which she was knocked down

to his nod to permit the daughter of Desmond and Sweet Vernal leaving the country, but he steadfastly refused to be tempted. A well-known Sydney bloodstock authority waxed enthusiastic over the Kilbroney—Sprig of Erin filly foal, also the property of Mr. Hazlett, and declared a few days after the sale that she was the juvenile bargain of the dispersal occasion at 200 guineas.

The local owner, Mr. W. Stone, purchased the Nassau—Prim two-year-old Primum from Mr. Dalgety, of Christchurch, last week at 350 guineas, and the youngster joins J. Stewart's team at Wingatui. Stewart has three other valuable youngsters under his care which were owned by Mr. Stone up to a short time back, viz., Silent King, Silent Knight, and the Martian—Two Step gelding. The last-named was added to the list of unsexed gallopers last week. Stewart's responsibilities are growing apace, and it looks as if he will have a very valuable collection of horses under his charge next season.

One of the unlucky horses of the Dunedin Cup gathering was Burringong, who ran a fine race in the big event and was practically left at the post in the Dunedin Jockey Club Handicap. He created the impression that he will be found among the early winners of the autumn season, a fact which is said to have swayed his owners in refusing an offer of £1000 for him.

The old Canrobert—St. Bridg gelding Daringdale broke down very badly during the progress of the Dunedin J.C. meeting, and has probably seen the last of the racecourse. It is understood that he has been brought back here and is to be turned out to end his days in peace. During his term on the turf he proved a very profitable racer to Mr. W. T. Hazlett. He must rank as one of the best of the progeny of Canrobert, and he certainly stayed better than either of the Sout stallions other two good sons, viz., Robert Bell and Buller. The last-named, by the way, won the Flying Handicap on the concluding day of the Dunedin meeting under adverse circumstances. Pyjama got away from the barrier to a galloping start and pursuit appeared to be hopeless, but L. Hagerty kept Buller going, and Mr. T. B. McIntyre's representative made up lost ground and won by a short head, Ludlow being blamed in some quarters for over-confidence with Pyjama.

A popular sportsman of Lake County district passed away this week in the person of Mr. G. D. Baird, who bred and raced a number of horses and was also known as one of the most enthusiastic officials of the Lake County Jockey Club. The last horse to carry his colours to victory was Copper Boy. He was also part owner of Lady Wayward II. (dam of Emperador), who was sold at the recent Elderslie Stud sale. The imported English mare is now owned solely by the other partner, Mr. R. Paterson.

Trainer P. T. Hogan was very successful with representatives of Calibre during the Dunedin Cup gathering, Rorke's Drift winning and running into third place, Tin Soldier securing a stake, and Calma being placed second and third in the hurdle races.

At the Elderslie Stud sale, the brood mare Strathpeffer (Birkenhead—Ideal) and her filly foal by Winkle, were knocked down to the bid of Mr. W. Couser, but the Mataura Island breeder did not retain possession of the pair. On learning that the breeder and owner of Michaela and Thaddeus was anxious to get them, he agreed to that gentleman taking them over at the auction price.

It is understood that several North Island owners of cross-country horses are contemplating an invasion of Southland during the autumn meetings.

Alf. Delaval came to light at last and registered a long overdue win at Waipa, starting favourite. The punters do sort them out. Mr. Kemp's win was a popular one.

To decide a wager between C. and P., it has to be stated that Lochiel won the Newmarket Handicap in 1887 and was unplaced in the Australian Cup, in which he struck himself. He won that race, however, later on, and also the New Zealand Cup, but prior to doing so had run in the Auckland Cup. He was not regarded as a thorough stayer for a considerable time but was particularly brilliant, and his brilliancy carried him a long way in his races. He was a puller.

WANGANUI JOCKEY CLUB.

THE 1919 CUP MEETING.

DUSKY EVE WINS CUP IN RECORD TIME.

GLOAMING CAPTURES STAKES.

(From Our Wanganui Correspondent.)

The autumn meeting of the Wanganui Jockey Club opened on Thursday, when there was a record attendance, including visitors from all parts of the Dominion, who were privileged to witness some splendid racing. The morning broke dull and threatening, and a very light drizzle fell just before the opening event, but fortunately it soon cleared up, and the afternoon was gloriously fine. The course was looking at its best, and that the racing track was in capital order was proved by the remarkably fast times recorded, notably in the Cup, in which Dusky Eve established a record for the Dominion by running the mile and three-quarters in 2min. 59sec., which time goes very close to being an Australasian and a world's record. Then in the Flying Handicap, Silver Link ran six furlongs in 1min 12 3-5sec, while Gloaming cantered home in the Guineas in 1min. 13 1-5sec., and just what he could have done had he been extended is hard to say.

The sport provided was of a high-class and most enjoyable description, the fields being of a good size and of excellent quality throughout. It was generally agreed that the day's racing was the finest ever provided by the Wanganui Club, and that means a lot, as the meetings held here always rank with the best and most popular held in New Zealand. The management of the sport was right up to the club's best standard, and reflected great credit on secretary W. Hall and his staff, and the officials generally, who all worked hard and carried out their duties in a manner which made for success and ensured enjoyment to their patrons. Mr. H. Coyle had good reason to be pleased with the results of his handicapping, which was a big factor in the success achieved, while Mr. R. B. Lusk, the newly-appointed judge, created a favourable impression by the efficient way in which he carried out his work. Mr. C. O'Connor, the starter, got his fields away well in the majority of events, while the management of the birdcage by Mr. W. Duncan was excellent. The Garrison Band enhanced the enjoyment of all by rendering a splendid programme of music, which was greatly appreciated. Speculation was very brisk, the sum of £42,369 being put through the machine, as compared with £36,811 on the corresponding day last year, an increase of £5558. The totalisator staff was equal to the occasion, and Mr. J. H. Kelleher, the Government inspector, lost no time in checking the figures, so that the programme was got through with commendable punctuality.

Proceedings opened with the Stewards' Handicap, for which nine started, Form Up and Paddington Green being withdrawn. Rude, Kipling and Tigritiya were very evenly backed, in that order. Tigritiya essayed to win all the way, but Rude cut the filly down at the finish and won after a splendid race by a narrow margin. The winner is a four-year-old gelding by Cyrus—Cheeky, and is owned by Mr. W. Duncan, who purchased him in New South Wales. Kipling ran well for three-parts of the journey, but then faded right away. Robur was along way back at the half distance, but finished very fast and got up fourth. As Mr. Duncan is a well-known local patron of the turf and a steward of the club, the win was a very popular one.

Hallow, Metallum and Bold Boy declined their engagements in the Petre Hack Handicap, leaving 15 to run. There was spirited betting, Rebekah, Jutland and Active each carrying over £1000, Idle Talk being the best backed of the others. Wonder made the pace, but Rebekah was always handy, and the three-year-old Bezonian filly took command in the straight and won in good style. Jutland was coming so fast as they turned into the straight that he looked a sure winner, but he had to be content with second place, Active being third, and thus they finished in the order in which they were backed. Star Lady, a three-year-old filly by Demosthenes—Lady Lucy, was a good fourth, and should be worth watching. The winner ran the distance in 1min. 14sec., so must be smart.

The six acceptors in the Westmere Hurdles all went to the post, a fav-

ourite being found in Waipuna, Loyal Arch and Golden Grafton being the most fancied of the others. The race needs little description, as First Line went to the front from the jump off, and, jumping like a stag, never gave anything else a chance. It is probable that the other riders expected him to come back, but the son of Advance—Ballarat finished strongly and won anyhow, Golden Grafton just beating Loyal Arch out of second money. Arlington fell when going well.

Four saddled up for the Jackson Stakes, viz., Croesus, Killowen, Gloaming and Borealis. Needless to say, Gloaming was made a hot favourite, and his backers were never uneasy about the result. The champion hopped off well, and led all the way. In the early stages Killowen was his nearest attendant, but Mr. Lowry's colt was not ready to go on with it, and he soon gave up second place to Croesus. The old fellow did his best, but Gloaming carried too many guns, and strode home a very easy winner in 1min. 13 1-5sec., time which is only one-fifth of a second outside of Ermengarde's record for the race. It is a pity Gloaming was not sent along, as the record must have gone with a bang. Mr. G. D. Greenwood has now won the Jackson Stakes on seven occasions, the three last years in succession. It was generally regretted that Desert Gold was not on hand to tackle the gelding again, as her presence in the field would have made the race a memorable one.

All of the acceptors in the Cup saddled up, and as they paraded in the birdcage the contestants were eagerly scanned by a large crowd of interested spectators. They all looked well, and the field was generally voted right up to the best Cup standard. The preliminaries were keenly watched, those which moved best being perhaps Menelaus and Henry Clay, though no fault could be found with the way in which Bonnie Maid, Dusky Eve and Bingham moved down. Client looked very fit, though he moved a bit short, while Depredation looked rather scratchy. When betting opened, it was soon seen that despite his big weight Client was one of the popular picks. However, Dusky Eve finished up a slightly better favourite than the top weight, while Bonnie Maid also carried over £1000. Menelaus and Depredation were solidly supported. It was a splendid race, and was won by the favourite in fine style. Form Up, Depredation and Rewi Poto made the early running, Client bringing up the rear, and at the half distance last year's winner was a long way back. Form Up was still in front six furlongs from home, with Depredation and Dusky Eve handy. The latter took charge three furlongs from home, where Client made a great effort and got up fourth. Depredation and Menelaus finished well, but they could make no impression on the leader, Dusky Eve going on to win a fine race by two lengths, Menelaus a couple of lengths away third, with Client right up on his quarters. Then came Bonnie Maid, Bingham and Henry Clay, with Form Up last. Henry Clay had a bad passage, but could have had no chance with the winner.

Dusky Eve ran the mile and three-quarters in 2min. 59sec., one and three-fifths of a second faster than the previous record for the race, which stood as a New Zealand record for the distance. The record for Australia was held by Scoutmaster, and stood at 3min., but it is believed this was recently beaten—since the last lot of records were published. It was a splendid performance for the son of Signor—Swift, and Depredation did well to get so close. The same might be said about Client, especially as he had to make up so much ground over the last half mile.

There were 11 starters in the Juvenile Handicap, in which there was a big pool. Amythas was entrusted with most money, while of the others Passin' Through and Bonny Briar were the most fancied, in that order. Golden Bubble was the quickest to get into his stride, and he made the pace warm until well into the straight, where Bonny Briar put in her claim, and the three-year-old daughter of Bona Rosa—Spring Briar got the verdict comfortably, Negligee just beating Golden Bubble. The last-named is a two-year-old son of Absurd—Catchfly, and is owned by Mr. G. M. Currie. The colt was making his first appearance on public, and he promises to furnish into a top notcher. He should win soon, and looks like one that will have to be reckoned with in the big three-year-old events next season.

A dozen saddled up for the Wiritoa Hack, Cooing being made a warm favourite. Sacramento, Arrowfield, Perfect Day and Paddington Green were very evenly supported. Papanui and Willys Knight led to the turn for home, where Cooing got through cleverly on the rails, and went on to win rather easily from Arrowfield. The last-named was badly placed in the earlier stages, but got through in the straight and made a big effort, which might have proved successful had he not been bumped badly at a critical moment. Paddington Green was fourth after getting away badly, and Perfect Day fifth.

The day's racing was brought to a close with the Flying Handicap, for which 13 went to the post, Chorlie being withdrawn. Silver Link was the public pick, but solid support was accorded Waimatao, Bo-Peep and Acre. The favourite won in good style from Bonny Briar, which must have been much closer had she not carried 7lb. overweight. Waimatao got off badly and finished well in the rear, while Starengo had no chance from the jump, as he was left several lengths. He was looking well. Pennon was going along nicely three furlongs from home when she stumbled, but she managed to get up fourth. Acre was never prominent, but he drew an outside position, and got hemmed in.

The results were:—
STEWARDS' HANDICAP of 400sovs. One mile and 110 yards.

- 1—W. Duncan's br g Rude, 4yrs, by Cyrus—Cheeky, 8.4 (C. Price) . . . 1
 - 3—K. S. Williams' ch f Tigritiya, 3yrs, 7.13 (R. Reed) . . . 2
 - 7—Mrs. M. A. Perry's blk g Hendra, 6yrs, 7.10 (A. Reed) . . . 3
- Also started: 5 Bagdad 8.0 (Berry), 2 Kipling 7.12 (L. Morris), 8 Dingle 7.10 (Corlett), 4 Marquetteur 7.7 (McLean), 6 Robur 7.0 (C. Reed), 9 Otara 6.7 (Bagby).

Won by a neck, three lengths between second and third. Robur was fourth. Time, 1min 47 1-5sec.

PETRE HACK HANDICAP of 150sovs. Six furlongs.

- 1—J. J. Corry's ch f Rebekah, 3yrs, by Bezonian—Snowstell, 7.13 (R. Bagby) . . . 1
 - 2—J. Campion's blk g Jutland, 4yrs, 7.7 (L. Morris) . . . 2
 - 3—W. E. Herbert's ch g Active, 3yrs, 8.13 (H. Gray) . . . 3
- Also started: 3 Cotillion 7.8 (L. Manson), 7 Red Signal 8.7 (McFlinn), 5 Endure 8.1 (C. Price), 4 Idle Talk 8.0 (Deeley), 6 Wonder 7.5 (A. Reed), 11 Halcyon 7.2 (McCarten), 9 Tirairaka 7.0 (E. Reid), 14 Bernice (C. Mackay), 12 Tunatau 7.0 (C. Reed), 10 Star Lady 7.0 (Taplin), 8 Glentour 7.0 (R. Reed), 13 Zemanek 7.0 (Rayner).

Cotillion and Active were bracketed. Won by half a length, four lengths between second and third. Wonder was fourth. Time, 1min 14sec.

WESTMERE HURDLE RACE of 200 sovs. About two miles.

- 5—A. M. Wright's blk g First Line, 5yrs, by Advance—Ballarat, 9.2 (Proctor) . . . 1
 - 3—E. George's b m Golden Grafton, aged, 11.0 (Tutchen) . . . 2
 - 2—H. W. Brown's br m Loyal Arch, 6yrs, 12.2 (Deerey) . . . 3
- Also started: 4 Arlington 11.10 (F. Flynn), 1 Waipuna 10.7 (McDonald), 6 Rio 9.0 (Lorrigan).

Arlington fell. Won by ten lengths, three-parts of a length separating second and third. Waipuna was fourth. Time, 3min 59sec.

JACKSON STAKES of 500sovs; weight for age. Six furlongs.

- 1—G. D. Greenwood's b g Gloaming, 3yrs, by The Welkin—Light, 8.4 (B. Deeley) . . . 1
 - 3—G. F. Hardy's b g Croesus, aged, 8.11 (B. Morris) . . . 2
 - 2—T. H. Lowry's b c Killowen, 3yrs, 8.7 (Gray) . . . 3
- Also started: 4 Borealis 8.4 (R. Reed). Won easily by a length, two lengths between second and third. Time, 1min 13 1-5sec.

WANGANUI CUP of 1000sovs. One mile and three-quarters.

- 1—H. M. Campbell's b g Dusky Eve, 6yrs, by Signor—Swift, 7.3 (G. McLean) . . . 1
 - 5—R. Barlow's Depredation, 6yrs, by Campfire—Gosling, 7.5 (R. Reed) . . . 2
 - 4—V. and E. Riddiford's b g Menelaus, 5yrs, by Martian—Love-lorn, 8.10 (A. Reed) . . . 3
- Also started: 2 Client 9.0 (C. Price), 7 Rewi Poto 8.10 (Johnston), 3 Bonnie Maid 7.9 (Gray), 6 Henry Clay 7.2 (Bagby), 10 Alteration 6.13 (L. Morris), 9 Form Up 6.12 (M. McCarten), 11 Bingham 6.12 (Hockley), 8 Master Moutoa 6.7 (Rayner).

Won by two lengths, two lengths and a-half between second and third. Client was fourth, followed by Bonnie Maid, Bingham and Henry Clay. Time, 2min 59sec—an Australasian record.

JUVENILE HANDICAP of 200sovs. About five furlongs.

- 3—A. J. Toxward's b f Bonny Briar, 3yrs, by Bona Rosa—Spring Briar, 8.12 (Taplin) . . . 1
 - 8—J. Goring Johnston's ch f Negligee, 2yrs, 6.10 (Hockley) . . . 2
 - 6—G. M. Currie's ch c Golden Bubble, 2yrs, 7.5 (Mackay) . . . 3
- Also started: 1 Amythas 8.13 (N. Gray), 4 Philomela 8.13 (Johnston), 5 Meli 8.4 (Berry), 2 Passin' Through 7.7 (McEwan), 7 Astinome 7.5 (B. Morris), 6 Rose Queen 6.10 (McLean) coupled with Golden Bubble, 9 Magistrate 8.10 (Rule), 10 Arch Salute 6.10 (McCarten).

Won by a length and a-half, half a length between second and third. Amythas was fourth. Time, 1min 2sec.

WIRITOA HACK HANDICAP of 150 sovs. One mile and 110 yards.

- 1—V. and E. Riddiford's b m Cooing, 4yrs, by Boniform—Ring-dove, 8.4 (A. Reed) . . . 1

3—W. Duncan's br g Arrowfield, 4 yrs, 8.7 (C. Price) . . . 2
11—N. Rasmussen's blk g Papanui, 7.2 (L. Morris) . . . 3

Also started: 8 First Salute 9.0 (McCarten), 5 Paddington Green 9.0 (Johnston), 4 Perfect Day 8.5 (McCormack), 10 Jiu-Jitsu 8.0 (Cook), 6 Signorella 7.10 (Bagby), 7 Willys Knight 7.5 (A. Reed), 12 Zela 7.0 (Rayner), 9 Lovematch 7.0 (Rule), 2 Sacramento 7.0 (Stratton), 13 Bold Boy 7.0 (C. Reed).

Won by two lengths, three-quarters of a length between second and third. Paddington Green was fourth. Time, 1min 15 1-5sec.

FLYING HANDICAP of 600sovs. Six furlongs.

- 1—A. Alexander's br f Silver Link, 3yrs, by Achilles—Secret Link, 8.6 (B. Morris) . . . 1
 - 6—A. J. Toxward's b f Bonny Briar, 3yrs, 7.7, inc. 7lb pen. (A. Reed) . . . 2
 - 3—W. E. Herbert's b f Bo-Peep, 3yrs, 8.2 (Gray) . . . 3
- Also started: 2 Waimatao 8.11 (B. Deeley), 4 Acre 8.10 (C. Price), 9 Birkenvale 7.9 (R. Reed), 5 Pennon 7.6 (Rayner), 11 Tirana 7.1 (Corlett), 13 Starengo 7.0 (McLean), 7 Simonides 7.0 (C. Reed), 12 Demagogue 6.12 (McCarten), 10 Chimera 6.9 (Bagby).

Won by half a length, two lengths between second and third. Pennon was fourth. Time, 1min 12 3-5sec.

WANGANUI GUINEAS DAY.

GLOAMING SCORES EASY WIN.

MENELAUS ANNEXES STAKES.

The gathering was brought to a most successful conclusion on Saturday, when the weather was delightfully fine and the attendance was again very large. The going was in good order, though evidently not quite so fast as on Thursday. The racing was remarkably good; in fact, it was pronounced by many visiting sportsmen to be one of the finest day's sport they had ever seen. The fields were all of a nice size, except the Guineas, and every race was splendidly contested, some exciting finishes being witnessed. As on the first day the management was excellent, and racing enthusiasts were almost unanimous in declaring that the meeting was one of the most enjoyable they had ever attended. Speculation was even brisker on Saturday than on the opening day, the sum of £46,536 being put through the machine, the total increase for the meeting being £7990.

The Autumn Handicap was the first event to attract the attention of backers, who made Tigritiya a better favourite than Form Up. Hendra was also very solidly supported, the outsider of the field being Otara. The favourite, Robur and Otara made the pace in turn to the bend for home, where Tigritiya again got in front, followed by Marquetteur, Hendra and Dingle. Hendra came with a rattle from the distance, and drawing up to Tigritiya a splendid race was fought out, Hendra getting the verdict by a very narrow margin. Dingle was a good third, and then came Henry Clay. The latter finished fast.

There were fifteen starters in the Matarawa Hack Race, Rebekah being withdrawn. Jutland was the popular pick, Fulica (with Gray in the saddle), Borealis and Hurry Up being the most fancied of the others. Metallum gave some trouble at the start, and when the barrier went up she was two or three lengths behind. Active and Meli showed out for the first furlong, and then Astinome took command and led to the turn for home. Here the Maniapoto filly ran out wide and Jutland got up on the rails, going on to win nicely from Hallow, which came very fast over the last furlong. Borealis was third and Astinome fourth. But for running out the last-named would have been close up to the winner, who has two wins and a second to his credit in his three starts.

Gloaming was voted a moral for the Guineas, in which event Mr. G. D. Greenwood also started Afterglow. It was thought by some that Killowen would be all the better for his race in the Jackson Stakes, and that he might keep the champion busy, but the son of Kilbroney was not even able to get second, let alone make Gloaming gallop, except perhaps for a couple of furlongs. From an even start the favourite rushed to the front and was never headed. Killowen was second for three-quarters of a mile, but Afterglow then ran past Mr. Lowry's colt, and finished a couple of lengths behind Gloaming, with Killowen three lengths further away. It was a slow run race, the mile taking 1min. 43 4-5sec. This made Mr. Greenwood's third success in the Guineas, Danube having won for him in 1910 and Nones in 1915.

Golden Grafton declined his engagement in the Fordell Hurdles, for which there was very solid backing for First Line. Want and Zola also carried a lot of coin. First Line tried to repeat his first day's performance

and win all the way, but he was not allowed to get far away, and the field were bunched, First Line in front, three furlongs from home. As they turned into the straight Zola was in front, but Want challenged, and a great race to the post ended in Want getting the verdict by a very narrow margin, with Loyal Arch third and Rio last. It was a fast-run race, the mile and three-quarters being covered in 3min. 14 2-5sec.

There were seven starters in the Okoia Two-year-old Handicap, including Mr. G. M. Currie's pair, Golden Bubble and Farce. Negligee carried more coin than the bracket, while Amythas was also well backed. Golden Bubble looked all the better for his race on Thursday, and he was again very quick to get under way. He led Negligee to the turn into the straight, where Amythas put in his claim, and galloping in fine style caught Golden Bubble at the distance, going on to win by a length, with the favourite third and Magistrate fourth.

There was some spirited betting in the Wanganui Stakes for which eight lined up, Dusky Eve being a very warm favourite, Depredation, Menelaus, Rewi Poto and Client all carrying a lot of money. The start was an indifferent one, Master Moutoa hopping out well in front of Depredation and Dusky Eve, Client and Rewi Poto being in the rear. Master Moutoa carried on the running to the half-mile post, where Dusky Eve took command, with Client coming very fast on the outside. The son of Elevation maintained his effort well, and got up second as they raced round into the straight, and his victory was being loudly proclaimed, as he was catching Dusky Eve. At the distance, however, the weight told on Client, and the favourite began to draw away again. Just then Menelaus put in a great run, A. Reed taking advantage of a lucky opening on the rails, and the Martian gelding just squeezed home from Dusky Eve, while Rewi Poto came fast on the outside and got into third position, just ahead of Bonnie Maid and Client, with Master Moutoa next and Depredation last.

The scratching of First Salute left ten to contest the Harrison Hack Handicap, Paddington Green being made a hot favourite. Papanui and Perfect Day were also solidly supported, while Idle Talk and Star Lady had each the same amount invested on them. There was a long delay at the start, Paddington Green giving a lot of trouble. Eventually from an even start Perfect Day, Halcyon and Paddington Green were the first to show out. Bold Boy took charge at the six-furlong post and led to the turn for home, where Idle Talk was in front from Lovematch, Paddington Green and Star Lady. A splendid race to the post ended in Paddington Green coming fast and just beating Star Lady and Idle Talk, with Lovematch fourth. The stewards subsequently fined H. Gray, the rider of the winner, £10 for alleged careless riding, it being held that he cut in in front of Star Lady too quickly in the final sprint.

The Farewell Handicap was a remarkably fine race, and proved a fitting finale to a most enjoyable meeting. There were eight starters, Simonides being withdrawn. Despite the fact that she carried 9.3, Silver Link was sent out a slightly better favourite than Bo-Peep, Acre also carrying a heap of money, Pennon being the most fancied of the others. Birkenvale was badly left, Inah, Pennon and Silver Link being the leaders to the bend. Pennon was first into the straight, but was tackled by Silver Link and Acre, both of whom ran past the English-bred filly and fought out a great finish, the favourite getting the verdict by a very narrow margin, while Pennon was a length away, third, with Bo-Peep a head further back.

B. H. Morris, A. Reed, C. Price, and B. Deeley were the most successful riders, scoring two wins each. Others to ride winners were H. Gray, A. Lorrigan, L. G. Morris, R. S. Bagby, J. Proctor, G. McLean, J. Taplin, and E. J. Reed.

The principal winning owners were: Messrs. A. Alexander £910, G. D. Greenwood £890, H. M. Campbell £800, V. and E. Riddiford £795, W. Duncan £410, Mrs. Perry £265, Messrs. A. J. Toxward £260, R. Barlow £200, F. S. Easton £165, A. M. Wright £160, G. Penfold £145, J. Campion £140, J. J. Corry £120, W. G. Emeny £120, and R. S. Williams £100. Other smaller sums brought the total prize money up to £5915.

The results were:—

AUTUMN HANDICAP of 300sovs. One mile and 110 yards.

- 3—Mrs. M. A. Perry's blk g Hendra, 6yrs, by Royal Artillery—Heirba, 7.12 (A. Reed)
1—K. S. Williams' ch g Tigritiya, 3yrs, 8.5 (R. Reed)
9—F. Selwood's br g Dingle, 6yrs, 7.3 (Corlett)

MATARAWA HACK HANDICAP of 150sovs. Six furlongs.

- 1—J. Campion's blk g Jutland, 4yrs, by Advance—Brown Spec, 8.1 (L. Morris)
8—N. King's b g Hallow, 3yrs, 8.4 (A. Reed)
3—F. R. Walker's br g Borealis, 3yrs, 7.11 (Taplin)

WANGANUI GUINEAS of 500sovs. One mile.

- 1—G. D. Greenwood's b g Gloaming, 3yrs, by The Welkin—Light, 8.5 (B. Deeley)
1—G. D. Greenwood's br f Afterglow, 3yrs, by Demosthenes—Sunglow, 8.5 (Mackey)
2—T. H. Lowry's b c Killowen, 3yrs, by Kilbroney—Success, 8.10 (H. Gray)

FORDELL HANDICAP HURDLES of 175sovs. About one mile and three-quarters.

- 2—G. Penfold's b g Want, aged, by Penury—Lady Flora, 10.10 (Lorrigan)
3—W. Rayner's br g Zola, 6yrs, 11.2 (Copestake)
2—H. W. Brown's br m Loyal Arch, 6yrs, 12.0 (J. Deerey)

OKOIA TWO-YEAR-OLD HANDICAP of 200sovs. Five furlongs.

- 3—F. S. Easton's b c Amythas, 2yrs, by Demosthenes—Gold Treasure, 8.13 (C. Price)
2—G. M. Currie's ch r Golden Bubble, 2yrs, 7.11 1/2 (Gray)
1—J. Goring Johnston's ch f Negligee, 2yrs, 7.3 (Bagby)

WANGANUI STAKES of 700sovs. One mile and a-half.

- 3—V. and E. Riddiford's b g Mene-laus, 5yrs, by Martian—Love-lorn, 8.12 (A. Reed)
1—H. M. Campbell's b g Dusky Eye, 6yrs, by Signor—Swift, 8.3 (McLean)
4—W. Raleigh's blk g Rewi Poto, aged, by Maniapoto—The Boyne, 8.9 (Johnston)

HARRISON HANDICAP of 150sovs. One mile and a distance.

- 1—W. G. Emeny's ch h Paddington Green, 5yrs, by Flagfall—Polly Perkins, 8.13 (Gray)
4—A. J. Toxward's b f Star Lady, 3yrs, 7.7 1/2 (Taplin)
4—H. Barrett's b m Idle Talk, 4yrs, 7.8 (Bagby)

FAREWELL HANDICAP of 500sovs. Six furlongs.

- 1—A. Alexander's br f Silver Link, 3yrs, by Achilles—Secret Link, 9.3 (B. Morris)
3—W. Duncan's b h Acre, 4yrs, 8.8 (C. Price)
4—G. M. Currie's b m Pennon, 4yrs, 7.5 (Rayner)

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WAIPA RACING CLUB.

ANNUAL MEETING.

GLENOPAL WINS CUP.

The annual meeting of the Waipa Racing Club was held on Saturday in Beautiful weather, and attracted a large crowd to the club's up-to-date racecourse at Te Awamutu, many journeying by the special train from Auckland to the fixture. The fields in nearly every instance were of good size and quality, and with the track in admirable condition, the racing proved decidedly interesting.

Mr. A. Gordon, stipendiary steward, was in attendance, but there was nothing of a serious nature to engage his attention. Mr. A. H. Storey gave universal satisfaction as judge, while Mr. J. Vincent despatched the field in a fair and even manner. The secretary, Mr. H. Lewis, worked hard to ensure the success of the meeting, and despite the additional demands made upon his services in consequence of the compulsory postponement of the fixture during the epidemic, the fact of his efforts being deservedly rewarded on Saturday last in the shape of a record gathering must afford him every cause for gratification.

The totalisator returns amounted to £16,915 10s., as against £13,670 10s. for the previous spring meeting of 1917, an increase of £3245.

There were six jumpers saddled up for the Pirongia Hurdles, Plenipotent, who had scored at the Te Kuiti gathering the previous Saturday, being elected favourite, with Signature and Lady Lyddite both in fair demand. The race proved a chapter of accidents, Grey Opal falling at the first fence, while the second obstacle saw both Plenipotent and Signature come to grief. Lady Lyddite was thus left in command from Carbiness and Mata-a-roa, and her task was made easier by the fact of Carbiness falling at the fourth obstacle and having to be remounted, enabling him to still defeat Mata-a-roa for second place. Lady Lyddite won by over 100 yards.

Miss Ellice, the three-year-old filly by Bronzino, justified the anticipations of her supporters by defeating a big field in the Waipa Maiden Handicap, Newlant, the second favourite, acting as runner-up, with Gold Bird third. The inconsistent Step brought off a mild surprise in the Kihikihi Handicap, which he won by a neck from Mill o' Gowrie, with Corregidor third. The favourite, Gold Kip, was unable to go the pace with the leaders and finished fourth.

Blue Cross, who had the services of J. O'Shea, was preferred to Glenopal in the Te Awamutu Cup, in which a quintette went to the post, including Empire, who began smartly when the tapes were released and set out as pacemaker. Going along the back Glenopal shot to the lead, and coming into the straight with several lengths' advantage she scored an easy win by two lengths and a-half from Lady Energy, who was two lengths in advance of Blue Cross, Munster being next.

R. Hannon's success in the Cup was followed up by another of his candidates in Queen Abbey accounting for the Ohaupo Handicap in easy style from Shining Light and Flying Gowrie. The daughter of Quin Abbey was a staunch favourite, and she led practically from start to finish.

Miss Ellice was again saddled up for the Orakau Hack Handicap, and was sent out a better favourite than Duchess Eudorus and Explode. She was quickly in the van, and maintained her position into the straight, where she looked an almost certain winner, but Rangī Aroha, finishing fast, worried her out of the verdict by half a length, Caballero being third.

Alf. Delaval and Step devided favouritism in the Paterangi Welter, in which there were only four starters. The public's estimation of their merits was correct, for Alf. Delaval and Step had the finish to themselves, the former winning by a length.

In the concluding event, the Flying Handicap, in which there were four starters, Gold Kip was the most fancied candidate, but had his colours lowered by Corregidor, who pre-

vailed by a length, Winning Shot being third.

The results were:—

PIRONGIA HURDLES of 100sovs. One mile and three-quarters less 100 yards.

- 3—G. Courtney's b m Lady Lyddite, aged, by Penury—Lyddite, 9.12 (E. Warner)
4—F. C. Hand's b m Carbiness, aged, 10.18 (Kelly)
6—S. R. Cribb's br g Mata-a-roa, aged, 9.0 (Erickson)

WAIPA MAIDEN HANDICAP of 60 sovs. Five furlongs.

- 1—W. M. Taylor's ch f Miss Ellice, 3yrs, by Bronzino—Elegance, 8.0 (Husband)
2—W. Schollum's ch m Newlant, 5yrs, 8.0 (J. O'Shea)
6—R. E. Burke's ch g Gold Bird, 5yrs, 7.7 (Ross)

KIHIKIHI HANDICAP of 100sovs. Seven furlongs.

- 5—A. Couper's ch g Step, aged, by Mystification—Stepdaughter, 7.13, inc. 2lb over (Warner)
2—R. Hannon's b m Mill o' Gowrie, 6yrs, 11.2 (Robinson)
4—R. G. Graham's b g Corregidor, aged, 7.2, inc. 5lb allow (O'Shea)

TE AWAMUTU CUP of 165sovs. One mile and a-quarter.

- 2—R. Hannon's b m Glenopal, 6yrs, by Glengowrie—Opal, 9.7 (Robinson)
3—R. Davis' b m Lady Energy, 5yrs, 8.2, inc. 4lb over (Rennie)
1—W. Colbourne's b g Blue Cross, 5yrs, 8.9 (J. O'Shea)

OHAUPO HANDICAP of 90sovs. Five furlongs.

- 1—R. Hannon's b m Queen Abbey, 3yrs, by Quin Abbey—Freedom mare, 9.10 (Robinson)
4—J. H. Edward's b g Shining Light, 3yrs, 8.10 (Rennie)
2—P. Norman's ch m Flying Gowrie, 5yrs, 8.13 (J. O'Shea)

ORAKAU HACK HANDICAP of 60 sovs. Six furlongs.

- 5—D. Jackson's b m Rangī Aroha, 6yrs, by Elysian—Te Aroha, 8.2, inc. 4lb over (Cotter)
1—W. M. Taylor's ch f Miss Ellice, 3yrs, 8.2, inc. pen. (Husband)
4—R. J. Graham's ch g Caballero, 5yrs, 8.11 (Rennie)

PATERANGI WELTER of 90sovs. One mile.

- 1—A. Kemp's b g Alf. Delaval, aged, by Seaton Delaval—Lilith, 8.8 (W. Ryan)
2—A. Couper's ch g Step, aged, 9.0, inc. pen. (Warner)
4—D. G. Sanson's ch g Moutoa Tiki, 7.7 (M. O'Shea)

FLYING HANDICAP of 115sovs. Six furlongs.

- 2—R. J. Graham's b g Corregidor, aged, by Hierarch—Waiatarua, 7.6, inc. 4lb allow. (M. O'Shea)
1—H. Keesing's ch g Gold Kip, 4yrs, 9.5 (Robinson)
4—H. E. White's b m Winning Shot, 5yrs, 8.11 (J. O'Shea)

ELLERSLIE ITEMS.

TUESDAY.

The tan rink was mostly patronised this morning, trainers not caring to take on the inner grass. Although a welcome shower fell in Auckland yesterday there was not a drop of rain on the course. Pretty Bobby put in a nice striding gallop in company with the Hamilton Cup candidate, All Talk, lightly weighted. The run should assist the gelding to make the opposition gallop in the Trial Handicap next Saturday. Mary Bruce alone skipped over half a mile on the tan in 52 4-5sec. Emerald Hill alone sprinted on the two-year-old rink. Fabrique, Flowing Bowl, Argent, and Gaycium were all on the easy list on the tan. Spanner, with trainer Gilchrist in the saddle, put a tan circuit past, sprinting home the last three furlongs. The Australian-bred colt is in great heart at the present time. Hineamaru was on the easy list, while the hurdler, Thrace, put a tan

circuit past, sprinting home at top. The gelding is in good form.

W. Smith, best known as the rider of St. Clements, has made a start as a trainer at Poverty Bay for some years. He has Canowindra, No Mistake, a maiden hurdler and Lansannor under his care. The last-named is to be operated on by Mr. Glover. Ring Lupin sprinted from the head of the straight, moving attractively. Monocrat, Whitehall and Mountain Gold were on the half-pace list.

W. Sharpe leaves next week for the Waikato to go on the land. He will take Winning Shot, Turangapito, Mistress Biddy's sister and a sister to Gwent with him. It is Sharp's intention to have a track laid out on his farm at Gordonton, and will devote his spare time to the horses under his care.

Last week Master Regel jumped the big schooling battens. The owner (Mr. Kenney Thornton) is back from the front and intends to keep the son of Regel at the lepping game.

Mr. John Sutcliffe tired of the mare Whitford Belle, and after her last failure at Taumarunui, gave her away to a friend.

Kauri King, the C.J.C. Grand National winner, is fineing down nicely, and will be ready to meet all demands when the winter fixtures roll round.

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HAMILTON RACING CLUB.
ANNUAL MEETING.

The two days' meeting of this progressive club commences on Saturday, and will be continued and concluded on Monday. The attendance will probably reach to record dimensions. For the eight events to be decided on the opening day there is an average of fourteen acceptors per race, quite equal to some metropolitan showings. The smallest number is seven, in the Karamu Welter. Of all the horses nominated from outside provinces eight have been paid up for. Their presence will help the meeting considerably. There are fifteen in the Trial Handicap, and perhaps Tempo, Pretty Bobby and Comedy Prince will be amongst the hardest to dispose of. There are the same number in the Claudelands Handicap, and most of them can scamper over five furlongs. It will take the best of them all their time to beat the visitors Coolpan and Royal Chef. Mossman is galloping pretty well. Flowing Bowl may be equal to beating Taiamai and the best of the others left in the Tamahere Stakes. Emerald Hill may have an outside chance. The Hamilton Cup has thirteen engaged, including Multicipal, Tekka and Rude. The last-named must be given a good chance, as he ran well at Wanganui, but it should be a good betting race. Waiuta may have freshened up lately, and should have an outside chance at the weights. Waimai and Thrace in the Waimai Hurdles, Arrowfield and Lord Kenilworth in the Karamu Welter, Golden Petal and Ohinewairua in the Hautapu Hack Handicap should run well. Bo-Peep and Spanner may have most friends in the Cambridge Handicap. Philomela and Gaycium are possibles. The following are the acceptances:—

- TRIAL HANDICAP**, one mile.—Comedy Prince 9.0, Hessian 8.12, Pretty Bobby 8.12, Benzine 8.12, Nunerrant 8.7, Mary Bruce 8.7, Tempo 8.0, Bridgie 7.12, Mountain Gold 7.12, Saloon 7.10, Monocrat 7.7, Te Ora 7.7, Shower Gold 7.7, Lady Iona 7.7, Glenval 7.7.
- CLAUDELANDS HANDICAP**, five furlongs.—Lightning 9.3, Royal Chef 8.6, Ring Lupin 8.1, Stilts 8.0, Mossman 7.12, Gaycium 7.12, Arran 7.12, Bellacity 7.10, Coolpan 7.9, Taiamai 7.3, Cambridge 6.7, Caballero 6.7, Rangi Aroha 6.7, Middlemark 6.7, Don Patch 6.7.
- TAMAHERE STAKES**, six furlongs.—Taiamai 8.13, Flowing Bowl 8.8, Mistress Biddy 8.3, Murihiku 8.3, Canowindra 8.0, Pentagram 7.2, Rose Wreath 7.2, Navana 6.12, Emerald Hill 6.12, Misslove 6.12.
- HAMILTON CUP**, one mile and a-quarter.—Tekka 9.7, Mullingar 9.0, Rude 7.13, Multicipal 7.13, Royal Irish 7.10, Killard 7.6, Windorah 7.5, Glenopal 7.5, Waiuta 7.3, All Talk 7.3, Housewife 6.13, Blue Cross 6.7, Rockfield 6.7.
- WAIMAI HURDLES**, one mile and a-half and 85 yards.—Thrace 12.4, Master Regel 11.10, Waimai 10.9, Mahzoltov 10.0, Tenacious 9.11, Carbine 9.6, Gluteren 9.3, Calais 9.2, Battletide 9.0, Signature 9.0, Mestee 9.0.
- KARAMU WELTER**, one mile.—Arrowfield 8.9, Lord Kenilworth 8.7, Pierrot 8.0, Ditto 8.0, Blue and Black 8.0, Empire 8.0, Marble Star 8.0.
- HAUTAPU HACK**, six furlongs.—Gold Kip 9.9, Hineamaru 9.9, Garryowen 9.6, Ohinewairua 9.6, Corregidor 8.10, Canzonet 8.7, Fulica 8.5, Flying Gowrie 8.2, Caballero 8.2, Revenue 7.13, Woody Glen 7.12, Rangi Aroha 7.10, Duchess Eudorus 7.9, Miss Leslie 7.7, Nunerrant 7.7, War Tank 7.7, Oakleigh 7.7, Penella 7.7, Silver Pine 7.7, Golden Petal 7.7, Mary Bruce 7.7, Aircraft 7.7, Whitehall 7.7, Golden Deer 7.7, Granada 7.7, Moutoa Tiki 7.7, Tama-a-roa 7.7, Erinagh 7.7.
- CAMBRIDGE HANDICAP**, six furlongs.—Bo-Peep 8.12, Spanner 8.12, Hylus 8.8, Lightning 8.7, Royal Chef 7.10, Stilts 7.4, Rockfield 7.3, Mossman 7.2, Gaycium 7.2, Arran 7.2, Philomela 7.0, Taiamai 6.7, Cambridge 6.7.

TE AROHA JOCKEY CLUB.
ANNUAL MEETING.

FIRST DAY.
The splendid list of nominations received for the Te Aroha Jockey Club's annual meeting, which takes place on Saturday and Monday, March 8 and 10, augurs well for a record meeting being experienced by the officials of this progressive racing body. Weights for the first day's events are due on Monday next, March 3, while acceptances are due on Wednesday, March 5, and must be lodged either with the secretary, Mr. E. O. Nash, Te Aroha, or with Mr. C. F. Mark, Auckland, by 5 p.m. The nominations are as follows:—

RUAKAKA HANDICAP HURDLES, one mile and a-half.—Orpheum, Thrace, Battletide, Plenipotent, Tenacious, Mahzoltov, Notability, Signature, Keystone, Carbine, Lady Lydite, Caballero, Calais, Gluteren, Aroha.

WAIUTOA HANDICAP, seven furlongs.—Revenue, Spanner, Lightning, Alf. Delaval, Garryowen, Melchikoff, Lady Glen, Step, Rockfield, Lord Kenilworth, Escapement, Royal Chef, Gold Kip, Explode, Glenopal, Gladly.

TRIAL HANDICAP, five furlongs and a-half.—Mary Bruce, Miss Ellice, Flying Gowrie, Newlant, Persian King, Pretty Bobby, Paddy, War Tank, Don Patch, Merry Nell, Golden Russett, Lady Olwyn, Canzonet, Geranium, Bang, Whitehall, Formalin, Hessian, Penella, Oakleigh, Amans Lass, Sans Gene, Middlemark, Bridgie, Hippocamp, Shower Gold, Debutante, Cotillion, Active, Mulletto, Mottle Rose, Escaped, Elyan, Elate, Brodrich, Rambler gelding.

WAIHOU HANDICAP, six furlongs.—Crowhurst, Lightning, Bedford, Taiamai, Silver Pine, Bo-Peep, Royal Chef, Arran, Gaycium.

TE AROHA CUP, one mile and a-quarter.—Spanner, Hineamaru, Windorah, All Talk, Royal Irish, Killard, Lord Kenilworth, Housewife, Empire, Uncle Ned, Hylus, Active, Mangamahoe, Tinopal, Waiuta, Munster, Multicipal, Blue Cross.

PIAKO HACK HANDICAP, six furlongs.—Revenue, Newlant, Hineamaru, General Advance, Monocrat, Flowing Bowl, Garryowen, Independence, Whitehall, Bridgie, Middlemark, Hippocamp, Silver Pine, Lady Elstow, Ohinewairua, Miss Leslie, Fulica, New Zealand, Gold Kip, Duchess Eudorus, Brown Loch, Hessian, Elate, Rangi Aroha, Motua Tiki, Corregidor, Tama-a-roa, Woody Glen.

FLYING HANDICAP, five furlongs and a-half.—Crowhurst, Miss Ellice, Don Patch, Bellacity, Ring Lupin, Taiamai, Rockfield, Ohinewairua, Philomela, Flying Gowrie, Queen Abbey, Campfire Jack, Arran, Gaycium.

HOT SPRINGS HANDICAP, one mile.—Spanner, Alf. Delaval, Melchikoff, Royal Irish, Marble Star, Step, Rockfield, Housewife, Empire, Hylus, Mill o' Gowrie, Waiuta, Munster, Multicipal, Mountain Gold.

SECOND DAY.
MANAWARU HANDICAP HURDLES, one mile and three-quarters.—Orpheum, Thrace, Battletide, Plenipotent, Tenacious, Mahzoltov, Notability, Signature, Keystone, Carbine, Lady Lydite, Calais, Caballero, Gluteren, Aroha.

TOURIST WELTER, one mile.—Revenue, Alf. Delaval, Lady Glen, Step, Lord Kenilworth, Housewife, Empire, Escapement, Silver Pine, Debutante, Gold Kip, Explode, Glenopal, Woody Glen.

MAIDEN PLATE, seven furlongs.—Mary Bruce, Miss Ellice, Persian King, Pretty Bobby, General Advance, Monocrat, War Tank, Notability, Canzonet, Formalin, Mountain Gold, Penella, Gladly, Amans Lass, Lady Elstow, Paddy, Bridgie, Merry Nell, Shower Gold, Lady Olwyn, Mulletto, Geranium, Escaped, Hessian, Elyan, Oakleigh, Elate, Brodrick, Motua Tiki, Golden Russet, Mottle Rose.

DOMAIN HANDICAP, six furlongs.—Crowhurst, Spanner, Lightning, Taiamai, Cotillion, Royal Chef, Queen Abbey, Arran, Gaycium.

JOCKEY CLUB HANDICAP, one mile.—Don Patch, Spanner, Hineamaru, Bedford, All Talk, Windorah, Melchikoff, Royal Irish, Lightning, Killard, Rockfield, Housewife, Empire, Uncle Ned, Hylus, Active, Multicipal, Royal Chef, Blue Cross, Mangamahoe, Munster, Tinopal, Mill o' Gowrie, Waiuta.

WAIKAKAU HACK HANDICAP, six furlongs.—Miss Ellice, Revenue, Newlant, Flowing Bowl, Garryowen, Independence, Don Patch, Middlemark, Silver Pine, Shower Gold, Lady Lydite, Ohinewairua, Fulica, Merry Nell, Gold Kip, Geranium, Brown Loch, Miss Leslie, Elate, New Zealand, Flying Gowrie, Duchess Eudorus, Rangi Aroha, Hessian, Motua Tiki, Tama-a-roa, Woody Glen, Caballero.

ELECTRIC HANDICAP, five furlongs and a-half.—Crowhurst, Don Patch, Bellacity, Ring Lupin, Taiamai, Rockfield, Golden Petal, Philomela, Miss Ellice, Flying Gowrie, Rangi Aroha, Queen Abbey, Campfire Jack, Arran, Gaycium.

FAREWELL HANDICAP, seven furlongs.—Spanner, Lightning, Alf. Delaval, Bedford, Royal Prince, Garryowen, Melchikoff, Independence, Lady Glen, Step, Escapement, Ohinewairua, Mill o' Gowrie, Bo-Peep, Corregidor, Munster.

DANNEVIRKE RACING CLUB.
AUTUMN MEETING.
The Dannevirke Racing Club will hold their autumn meeting this Wednesday and Thursday (February 26 and 27), and, judging by the excellent character of the acceptances for the first day, a highly successful meeting should be experienced. The acceptances for the opening day are as follows:—

PRESIDENT'S HANDICAP (Open), six furlongs.—Sweet Corn 9.13, Chortle 9.13, Comment 8.4, Crowhurst 8.3, Simmonds 7.9, Damien 7.9, Tirana 7.8, Astor 6.12, Raykawer 6.11, Ahika 6.7.

TAHORAITA WELTER HANDICAP, seven furlongs.—Sonnino 9.11, Penury Rose 9.2, St. Omer 8.9, Woodlark 8.8, Namur 8.6, Lady Kilworth 7.13, The Speaker 7.13, Mystified 7.10, Papanui 7.10, Sir Donald 7.9, Sacramento 7.9, Star Lady 7.9, Woolahra 7.7, Kohu 7.7, Recreation 7.7.

HARTGILL MEMORIAL HANDICAP (Open), one mile and a-quarter.—Depredation 9.0, Henry Clay 8.10, Multicipal 8.9, Hendra 8.3, Gold Soult 8.3, Tigritiya 8.3, Orleans 8.1, Robur 7.13, Loyal Arch 7.12, Pacific Slope 7.10, Galore 7.3, Altercation 7.2, Ladify 6.12.

RAKAITAI HACK HANDICAP, six furlongs.—Zabism 9.0, Gold Problem 8.9, Metallum 8.4, Tuticorn 8.2, Woodlark 7.13, Borealis 7.12, Hymarty 7.11, Pervolo 7.9, Tari 7.3, Kaimotu 7.2, Arch Lassie 7.1, Orateur 7.0.

JUVENILE HANDICAP, for two-year-olds, five furlongs.—Asterina 8.9, Mirk 8.0, Lucid 7.9, Red Pepper 7.9, Hindi 7.7, Stammer 7.4, Make Peace 7.4, Rose Wreath 7.4, Olynthus 7.3, Arch Salute 7.2, Sweet Song 7.2, Market 7.2, Ashmere Rose 7.2, Marere 7.2, Missgold 7.2, American Beauty 7.2.

MAKIRIKIRI HACK HANDICAP, one mile and 50 yards.—Sonnino 9.0, First Salute 8.8, Consultation 8.5, Torchlight 7.12, Kahumanga 7.9, Transmision 7.1, Willys Knight 6.13, Utuwai 6.12, Sacramento 6.11, Orateur 6.9.

TAMAKI WELTER (Open), seven furlongs.—Comment 9.8, Sweet Tipperary 8.11, Dribble 8.9, Multaine 8.9, Robur 8.9, Damien 8.8, Killess 8.8, Tirana 8.6, Goldstream 8.6, Revocation 8.5, Jean Laddo 8.4, Silver Tongue 8.3, Altercation 8.2, First Salute 8.2, Hastie 7.11, The Speaker 7.7.

The following entries have been received for the Maiden Plate, to be run on the opening day:—

MAIDEN PLATE, five furlongs.—Naughty Girl, Hymarty, Murree, Old Gold, March On, Aerial, Rora, Big Push, Dry Up, Restful, Kaimotu, Star-glow, War Nurse, Volito, Mahallan, Clever Mary, Papanui, Lovematch, Tipperary Lass, Gatha, Wakatere, Stutter, Content, Vance.

SECOND DAY.
Entries for the Hack Scurry, to be decided on the second day, are as follows:—

HACK SCURRY, six furlongs.—Old Gold, Naughty Girl, Birkelot, Murree, March On, Aerial, Big Push, Restful, Kaimotu, Recreation, War Nurse, Volito, Clever Mary, Papanui, Lovematch, Tari, Stutter.

ROTORUA JOCKEY CLUB.
ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Rotorua Jockey Club takes place on the Arawa Park Racecourse to-day (Wednesday), when a successful gathering is anticipated. The acceptances for the various events given in the order in which they are to be run are as follows:—

WAIMANGU HANDICAP, five furlongs.—Garryowen 9.6, Caballero 8.0, Cambridge 7.13, Shining Light 7.12, Erinagh 7.2.

MAIDEN HANDICAP, six furlongs.—Golden Petal 8.6, Miss Ellice 8.0, Notability 8.2, Monople 7.13, Nunerrant 7.11, Alfa Laval 7.9, Earl Marshall 7.9, Gladly 7.6, Escapement 7.5, Persian King 7.5, Chemone 7.5.

ROTORUA CUP, one mile and a-quarter.—Windorah 8.13, Royal Irish 8.10, Rockfield 7.10, Melchikoff 7.10, Winning Shot 7.2, Lady Energy 7.2.

TOURIST HANDICAP, six furlongs.—Gaycium 8.0, Independence 7.9, Winning Shot 7.4.

MOKOJA HANDICAP, seven furlongs.—Sleepy Jack 8.6, Golden Petal 8.3, Notability 8.2, Monople 7.13, Nunerrant 7.11, Lady Elston 7.8, Gladly 7.6, Persian King 7.5, Chemone 7.5.

ARAWA PARK HANDICAP, one mile.—Windorah 9.0, Royal Irish 8.9, Melchikoff 8.0, Winning Shot 7.4, Alf. Delaval 7.2, Corregidor 7.5.

FAREWELL HANDICAP, five furlongs.—Garryowen 9.6, Gaycium 8.6, Caballero 8.0, Independence 8.0, Shining Light 7.12, Cambridge 7.13, Miss Ellice 7.10, Earl Marshall 7.5, Erinagh 7.3, Alfa Laval 7.3, Persian King 7.0.



WANGANUI TROTTING CLUB.
ANNUAL MEETING.

GEORGE AKWOOD WINS CUP.
The Wanganui Trotting Club made a start with their annual carnival on Friday in ideal weather, a record crowd being in evidence. Good fields were seen out in the various events, and with the track in splendid order several close and exciting finishes taking place. The gathering proved most enjoyable to patrons, the only complaint from whom was in regard to the long delays which occurred between several of the races, the result being it was 6.20 p.m. before the last event was decided. This is a matter which the club cannot afford to overlook, as punctuality in the closing of the totalisator and the starting of the respective races to time are essential nowadays when the public rightly expect everything to be in apple-pie order. Except for the delays mentioned, no fault could be found with the management of the gathering, and with the capable secretary (Mr. W. M. Falconer) at the head of affairs, every hospitality was extended visitors to the gathering.

During the afternoon the totalisator staff handled £17,706, which is only £214 short of the amount invested on the machine at the one-day meeting of the club last year.

Proceedings opened with the Maiden Handicap, in which there were six starters, the scratch mare, Plain Rose, being a firm favourite, but she failed to settle down and eventually finished fourth. The winner turned up in Taikorea, who defeated Plain Bob by three lengths, Morning Light being third. The latter was disqualified for weighing in 3½lb. short, Plain Rose being placed third.

Woodland Rose, who was the favourite selection for the Morton Memorial Stakes, made a big attempt to win the event from end to end, but was unable to withstand a determined challenge from Stone Beldon in the straight, a great tussle for supremacy seeing the latter prevail by half a length amid intense excitement. Zita was half a dozen lengths away third, followed by Inora and Elmo Junior.

The Kirkwood Handicap attracted a field of 11 trotters, Aranui being a better favourite than the bracketed pair, Rio Grande and Meritorious. The favourite was handy throughout, but had to be content with second position at the finish. After Lady Esma had piloted the field over the early stages, Speculator took command going along the back, and eventually ran home an easy winner by four lengths from Aranui, 12 lengths after whom came Lady Esma. Capillose was fourth and Desmond next.

Galindo Belle was the only withdrawal from the Cup, leaving the excellent field of 17 to face the starter. The bracketed pair, Citadel and Wee Winnie, hailing from J. Bryce's Oakhampton Lodge establishment, were the ruling favourites when the totalisator closed, with Warlock, Red Empress, George Akwood and Star Queen most in request of the others. Reindeer led Warlock and George Akwood past the stand the first time, and this order was maintained in respect of the leading trio until the bend into the straight was reached the last time, when Warlock displaced Reindeer in the lead. Warlock was being proclaimed the winner, but the Auckland representative, George Akwood, quickly altered the situation, for W. Orange brought the son of Wildwood Junr. along with a great burst of speed in the straight and secured a two lengths victory. Hal Junior was 20 lengths away third, while Reindeer was fourth, followed by Red Prince and Sudite. After the horses had returned to scale, the Mayor (Mr. C. E. Mackay), who is president of the club, made the presentation of the valuable cup (which goes with the stake attached to the race) to Mr. H. McNaughton, of Auckland, owner of George Akwood.

Newcourt was elected favourite for the Gonville-Castlecliff Handicap, with Moneyka and Jimmy Richmond most in

demand of the other nine starters. The favourite did not settle down to his task too well at the start, but once he got going he soon wrested the lead from Moneyka, and though challenged by Jimmy Richmond over the concluding stage, he managed to defeat the latter by two lengths, Wee Bell being 20 lengths away third.

Over-rate was a slightly better favourite than Bluewood for the President's Handicap, for which nine started. Peter Bell was the early leader, with Over-rate and Bluewood both handy, and in this order they raced along the back. The favourite took charge entering the straight, and though Rio Grande made a big effort to get on terms with Over-rate in the run up the straight, the latter won in convincing style by three lengths, Peter Bell being third and Bluewood fourth.

Greta and Warlock monopolised the betting on the Liverpool Handicap, in which there were five starters. The pair mentioned practically had the race to themselves, a sterling finish being provided, in which Warlock gained a half-length victory.

The 20 carded for the Farewell Handicap was reduced to a field of 11 as the result of scratchings, Inora being made favourite, with Jolly Major and Eagle Abbey both well supported. The favourite was prominent in the early part of the race, but when it came to the business end both Lovelock and Waiteranui headed the daughter of Galindo, the pair fighting out a desperate finish, which resulted in favour of Lovelock by a head, Inora being a length away third.

The results were:—

MAIDEN HANDICAP (Saddle) of 50 sovs. One mile and a-half.

5—J. W. Hill's b g Taikorea, 5yrs, by Havoc—Allwood Fashion, 6 sec (Dench) 1
2—W. C. Aitken's b g Plain Bob, 6sec (Aitken) 2
1—H. J. Woodfield's b m Plain Rose, scratch (Moulder) 3
Also started: 6 Jersey Belle 6sec (Forbes), 4 Lady Morland 6sec (Bryce), 3 Morning Light 6sec (Fitzgerald).
Won by three lengths, same distance between second and third. Plain Rose was fourth. Time, 3min 50 3-5sec. Morning Light, which finished third, was disqualified for carrying 3½lb short weight.

MORTON MEMORIAL STAKES (Saddle) of 100sovs. One mile and a-quarter.

4—C. Gordon's b g Stone Beldon, aged, by Beldon—Red Stone, 4 sec (Bryce) 1
1—V. Alborn's b g Woodland Rose, 11sec (Owner) 2
2—A. Grant's br m Zita, 10sec (D. Nyhan) 3
Also started: 7 Galvanita 3sec (Moulder), 3 Inora 7sec (Green), 5 Wild Daisy 8sec (Barracough), 6 Elmo Junior 8sec (Jarden), 8 Lady Sefton 1sec (Stone).
Won by half a length, eight lengths between second and third. Inora was fourth. Time, 2min 58sec.

KIRKWOOD HANDICAP of 100sovs. One mile and a-half.

4—A. Day's b g Speculator, 5yrs, by Capitalist—Judge Beldon mare, 14sec (Owner) 1
1—H. F. Nicoll's br m Aranui, 12sec (Warren) 2
7—F. Hickenbottom's b m Lady Esma, 15sec (Wilson) 3
Also started: 2 Rio Grande scratch (Green), 10 Capillose 7sec (Bennett), 2 Meritorious 14sec (Barracough), 6 Gipsy Mac 14sec (Fleming), 3 Maqureda 14sec (Adams), 7 Pinella 14sec (R. Green), 5 Desmond 15sec (Bagley), 9 Othello 15sec (Hughes).
Won by four lengths, ten lengths between second and third. Inora was fourth. Time, 4min.

WANGANUI CUP HANDICAP (Harness) of 230sovs and cup value 75 guineas. Two miles.

4—R. McNaughton's blk g George Akwood, 5yrs, by Wildwood Junr.—Sybil, 13sec (Orange) 1
2—H. J. Woodfield's b g Warlock, 12sec (Fleming) 2
11—J. N. Lloyd's br g Hal Junior, 2sec (Jones) 3
Also started: 14 Lord Lytton scratch (Carper), 15 Lady Haldane scratch (Adams), 10 Red Prince 2sec (Alborn), 13 Jewel Wood 7sec (Barracough), 16 Lovelock 8sec (Conway), 7 Sudite 10sec (Bennett), 1 Citadel 11sec (Bryce), 5 Star Queen 11sec (Holmes), 6 Kate Zolock 12sec (Sharp), 3 Red Empress 13 sec (Warren), 12 Stormy Way 13sec (Jarden), 9 Reindeer 13sec (Mlad), 1 Wee Winnie 15sec (Bryce), 8 Lady Burlington 14sec (Malcolm).
Citadel and Wee Winnie were bracketed on the machine.
Won by a length and a-half, Hal Junior being a poor third. Reindeer was fourth. Time, 4min 52 2-5sec.

GONVILLE-CASTLECLIFF HANDICAP (Saddle) of 100sovs. Two miles.

1—H. F. Nicoll's br g Newcourt, 3 yrs, by St. Swithin—Brown Empress, 10sec (Warren) 1
3—C. Arden's b g Jimmy Richmond, 4sec (Barracough) 2
6—V. Alborn's b m Dixie Lee, 7sec behind (Alborn) 3
Also started: 9 Sirene scratch (Paul), 4 Plain Rose 4sec (Woodfield), 7 Lady Sefton 4sec (Stone), 5 Wee Bell 10sec (Wilson), 6 William the First 10sec (Adams), 2 Moneyka 10sec (Orange), 8 Lady Foster 10sec (Cotton).
Won by a length and a-half. Moneyka was fourth. Time, 5min 8sec.

PRESIDENT'S HANDICAP (Harness) of 125sovs. Two miles.

1—A. Quigley's b g Over-rate, 5yrs, by Norval King—Eladviat, 10 sec (Holmes) 1
3—A. H. Coe's b g Rio Grande, 4sec (F. Green) 2
8—F. Hickenbottom's b g Peter Bell, 14sec (Fox) 3
Also started: 2 Bluewood 6sec (J. Bryce), 4 Sweet Memory 17sec (Roe), 5 Roe Bell 13sec (Shadbolt), 9 Gipsy Mac 15sec (Fleming), 7 Speculator 14 sec (Mould), 6 Normica Heir 15sec (Nicholson).
Won by two lengths and a-half. Speculator was fourth. Time, 5min 6 sec.

LIVERPOOL HANDICAP (Harness) of 100sovs. Two miles.

1—H. J. Woodfield's b g Warlock, by Hal Zolock—Judge Beldon mare, 10sec (Fleming) 1

2—A. Rhodes' br m Greta, 15sec (J. Bryce) 2
 3—W. Samuel's b m Peace, 12sec (Nyhan) 3
 Also started: 5 Wild Daisy 13sec (Barracough), 4 Woodland Rose 18sec (Alborn).
 Won by half a length. Time, 4min 58 4-5sec.
FAREWELL HANDICAP (Harness) of 100sovs. One mile and a-quarter.
 6—J. Conway's br m Lovelock, aged, by Hal Zolock—Carrie B., 5sec (A. Fleming) 1
 8—J. H. Lloyd's c g Waiteranui, scratch (Holmes) 2
 1—G. Lynch's c m Inora, 7sec (P. Green) 3
 Also started: 10 Lady Haldane scr. (Adams), 9 Lord Lytton scr. (Harper), 3 Eagle Abbey 3sec (Compton), 4 Lucy Wallace 3sec (Alborn), 6 Van Coronado 7sec (Conway), 7 Stormy Way 8sec (Jarden), 5 Wee Winnie 10sec (Bruce), 2 Jolly Major 10sec (Warren).
 Lovelock and Van Coronado were bracketed on the machine.
 Won by a length and a-half. Time, 3min 2sec.

CONCLUDING DAY.

STAR QUEEN WINS STAKES.

The club were again favoured with perfect weather on Monday, when they brought the meeting to a conclusion in most auspicious circumstances. Another large crowd was present, and the sport provided was of a most enjoyable character. The totalisator investments amounted to £18,216, making a total for the two days of £35,708, as compared with the 1918 gathering, which, however, was limited to one day.

Backers of the favourite experienced an unsuccessful day, as Star Queen proved to be the only first choice to score during the afternoon. Plain Bob brought off a surprise, in the Innovation Handicap by winning by a couple of lengths from Wee Bell and Lady Morland. The favourite, Plain Rose, again failed to run up to expectations. Galvanita, an aged mare by Galindo—Vanquish, created quite a sensation by the convincing manner in which she defeated her nine rivals in the Tramway Handicap. Her prospects were not given consideration by backers, and she started a rank outsider, but this did not prejudice her chance in the least, as she placed victory beyond doubt by a dozen lengths from Inora, after whom came Zita.

Star Queen, a five-year-old black mare by Wildwood Junior—My Mistake, was entrusted with favouritism for the Wanganui Stakes, with Warlock and Citadel most in request of the other eight contestants. The favourite was leading Kate Zolock, Warlock and Citadel in that order passing the stand the first time, and there was little change in the positions going along the back. Star Queen was still the pilot rounding the home bend, and she ran in a comfortable winner by half a dozen lengths from Warlock, with Citadel third and Red Prince fourth.

Peter Timmerman, the favourite, let his supporters down badly in the Eastbrook Handicap, in which he was one of the last to finish. The race was won from start to finish by Maqueda, who, getting away smartly, led throughout, scoring by half a dozen lengths from Rio Grande, with Lady Esma a similar distance away third.

Of the ten starters in the Stewards' Handicap, Moneyka, Plain Rose and William the First were best supported in the order named. William the First and Moneyka immediately rushed to the front at the start, and gradually increased their lead, the former having most in reserve when the straight was entered, and, capably handled by J. Bryce, he won by several lengths from Moneyka, Plain Rose being a poor third.

Bluewood was the favourite for the Ballance Handicap, with Rio Grande and Normica Heir best fancied of the other half dozen starters. Bluewood was in charge as the field raced along the back, with Rio Grande in close attendance. The latter displaced the favourite racing to the straight entrance, and went on to win by four lengths from Peter Timmerman, who headed Bluewood for second honours.

There were 11 starters for the Final Handicap, Eagle Abbey being installed favourite, with Van Coronado and Wee Winnie both the medium of solid support. A surprise was in store, however, for an outsider in Rejoice assumed control and leading into the straight staved off an ineffective challenge from Inora, whom he defeated by several lengths. Sudite was third, just in advance of Stormy Way and the favourite.

The results were:—

INNOVATION HANDICAP (Saddle) of 50sovs. One mile and a-half.
 5—W. C. Aitken's b g Plain Bob, 3yrs, by Broadleaf—Rothschild mare, scratch (Aitken) 1
 2—F. Hickenbottom's b g Wee Bell, 8sec (J. C. Wilson) 2
 3—J. R. Corrigan's b m Lady Morland, 9sec (J. Bryce, Junr.) 3
 Also started: 1 Plain Rose 3sec, 4 The Bath 3sec, 6 Rosina Elect 3sec.
 Won by two lengths, a similar distance between second and third. Time, 3min 41 3-5sec.
TRAMWAY HANDICAP of 90sovs. One mile and a-quarter.
 9—Geo. Craw's b m Galvanita, aged, by Galindo—Vanquish, 4sec (M. Holloway) 1
 2—Geo. Lynch's ch m Inora, 7sec (P. Green) 2
 3—Alex. Grant's br m Zita, 9sec (A. Fleming) 3
 Also started: 7 Lord Lytton scratch, 4 Stone Beldon 1sec, 1 Lucy Wallace 3sec, 10 Our George 7sec, 8 Wild Daisy 8sec, 6 Elmo Junior 9sec, 5 Annie Black 10sec, 2 Lady Sefton 11sec.
 Won by a dozen lengths, a similar distance between second and third. Time, 3min 57sec.
WANGANUI STAKES (Harness) of 150sovs. Two miles.
 1—J. Parkinson's blk m Star Queen, 5yrs, by Wildwood Junr.—My Mistake, 10sec (P. Holmes, jur.) 1
 2—H. J. Woodfield's b g Warlock, 9sec (A. Fleming) 2
 3—M. Kennington's b g Citadel, 10 sec (J. Bryce) 3
 Also started: 8 Red Prince 3sec, 9 Jewel Wood 7sec, 6 Lovelock 7sec, 4 Sudite 10sec, 5 Kate Zolock 12sec, 7 Lady Burlington 14sec.

Won easily by half a dozen lengths. Time, 4min 49 1-5sec.

EASTBROOK HANDICAP (Saddle) of 90sovs. One mile and a-half.
 6—J. R. Corrigan's b m Maqueda, 6yrs, by Harold Dillon—Sheeba, 15sec (A. E. Adams) 1
 4—A. H. Coe's b g Rio Grande, 2sec (P. Green) 2
 2—F. Hickenbottom's b m Lady Esma, 15sec (J. C. Wilson) 3
 Also started: 5 Bobbie B. 6sec, 1 Peter Timmerman 6sec, 7 Capillose 10 sec, 2 Peter Bell 11sec, 8 Finella 15sec, 4 Meritorious 15sec, 3 Desmond 16sec.
 Won easily by six lengths, twelve lengths between second and third. Time, 3min 56 2-5sec.

STEWARDS' HANDICAP (Harness) of 100sovs. Two miles.

3—J. R. Corrigan's b g William the First, 4yrs, by Lord Chancellor—Princess Royal, 20sec (Bryce) 1
 1—Dr. W. G. Brockway's b g Moneyka, 20sec (Orange) 2
 2—H. J. Woodfield's b m Plain Rose, 20sec (Fleming) 3
 Also started: 4 Dixie Lee 15sec, 5 Jimmy Richmond 10sec, 7 Sirene 12sec, 8 Taikorea 13sec, 9 Lady Sefton 15sec, 6 Wee Bell 20sec, 10 Lady Foster 20 sec.
 Won by several lengths. Lady Sefton collided with Wee Bell going out of the straight, both coming down. Time, 5min 1sec.

BALLANCE HANDICAP (Harness) of 100sovs. Two miles.

2—A. H. Coe's b g Rio Grande, aged, by Harold Dillon—Maude, scr. (P. Green) 1
 4—W. H. Young's b g Peter Timmerman, 8sec (Fleming) 2
 1—R. M. Morten's br g Bluewood, 8sec (Bryce) 3
 Also started: 6 Sweet Memory 12sec, 5 Roe Bell 13sec, 7 Peter Bell 14sec, 3 Normica Heir 15sec.
 Won by four lengths. Time, 4min 59 1-5sec.

FINAL HANDICAP (Harness) of 90 sovs. One mile and a-quarter.

7—W. Jones' b m Rejoice, 4yrs, by Proud Child—Joy, 9sec (Maidmont) 1
 4—Geo. Lynch's ch m Inora, 8sec (P. Green) 2
 8—J. A. Watson's br g Sudite, 4sec (Bennett) 3
 Also started: 10 Lord Lytton 1sec, 2 Lovelock 3sec, 2 Van Coronado 8sec, 1 Eagle Abbey 4sec, 5 Woodland Rose 10 sec, 6 Stormy Way 9sec, 11 Sirene 11 sec, 3 Wee Winnie 11sec.
 Won easily by several lengths. Time, 3min 5 3-5sec.

THE WILDWOOD STUD DISPERSAL SALE.

We would once more refer our readers to the advertisement set out in another place in this issue concerning the dispersal of Mr. W. Kerr's fine stud of trotting and pacing-bred horses, mostly young ones, ready and coming on to take part in the business of life for which they are destined. The advertisement conveys to readers and intending purchasers something more than the bare information as to the names of the sires and dams of each lot, and the times they have registered. Every lot has received the education necessary to start away from the farm after being shown in harness or on the lead to satisfy those who become their new owners. There is a fair sprinkling of trotters amongst the young ones, though pacers are in the majority. The natural gait of each is set forth in the list, and it may be said is easily discovered; indeed, in the majority of cases within a few hours or a day or two of being foaled a gait natural to the young ones is struck. An occasional one will trot as well as pace, but the double-gaited are not numerous. Wildwood senior was a bold, true-gaited trotter who might have been converted to pace. He got trotters and pacers, and his son Wildwood Junior, the image of his sire, has left both. There is no need to go over the long lists of winners by father and son, or of Ribbonwood, the first son of Wildwood to take up stud life after being the first to distinguish himself as a racehorse and a record holder. Like good wine, the Wildwood family needs no bush. One after another the descendants as they are developed act up to the reputations of their parents, and the sport and business of trotting and pacing having come to stay, and the pleasure and utility horses of the road having become a necessity, this great dispersal sale cannot be let pass by those associated with the light harness business, whether as racing men or breeders. Messrs. H. Matson and Co. are the auctioneers, and they, or the proprietor, Mr. W. Kerr, who is the founder of the stud, and who has been successful as a trainer and rider and owner and breeder from first to last of his career, will furnish catalogues or any information required on application.

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It is a pleasing matter to relate that the Poverty Bay Trotting Club, which lost its permit in consequence of Cabinet's decision to restrict racing and trotting fixtures, during the closing stages of the war, has had its permit restored, and will as a result hold its annual meeting on May 24.

George Akwood's win at the Wanganui Trotting Club's meeting in the Wanganui Cup will be remembered by wool merchants for a long time to come.

Stone Beldon's win at the Wanganui Trotting Club's meeting was a popular one. The lengthy grey belongs there, and Bryce trained and drove him.

Trotting owners should note that entries for the Taranaki Futurity Stakes (harness), 1921, of 150sovs. for horses three years old at time of starting, 1½ miles, to be decided at the Waimate Plains Trotting Club's annual meeting at Hawera on Easter Monday, 1921, are due with the secretary, Mr. G. A. Holder, Box 157 Hawera, on Friday, March 28, 1919, at 9 p.m. No money is required at the time of nomination. The event should make a special appeal to present owners of yearlings, and an excellent response should be forthcoming from the right quarter on the date for the closing of entries.

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 BAY COLT, 2yrs. (Wildwood Junr.—Wattle), Pacer.
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AUTUMN MEETING.
SATURDAY AND WEDNESDAY,
APRIL 5 AND 9, 1919.
PROGRAMME.
FIRST DAY.

SATURDAY, APRIL 5, 1919.
IMPROVERS' TROT HANDICAP (Harness) of 100sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs, and third horse 5 sovs each from the stake. FOR TROTTLING HORSES ONLY. For horses that have not won at better than 2.30 to the mile. Limit, 4.0. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 2sovs. Distance, one mile and a-half.
MANGERE HANDICAP (Harness) of 100sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs, and third horse 5sovs each from the stake. For horses that have not won at better than 2.28 to the mile. Limit, 3.52. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 2sovs. Distance, one mile and a-half.
CAMPBELL HANDICAP (Harness) of 450sovs; second horse to receive 60 sovs, and third horse 30sovs each from the stake. Limit, 4.39. Nomination 3sovs, acceptance 5sovs. Distance, two miles.
EASTER HANDICAP (Harness) of 150 sovs; second horse to receive 20 sovs, and third horse 10sovs each from the stake. Limit, 4.55. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 3sovs. Distance, two miles.
HOBSON HANDICAP (Harness) of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs, and third horse 5sovs each from the stake. Limit, 3.36. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 2sovs. Distance, one mile and a-half.
STEWARDS' TROT HANDICAP (Harness) of 200sovs; second horse to receive 30sovs, and third horse 15 sovs each from the stake. FOR TROTTLING HORSES ONLY. Limit 4.55. Nomination 2sovs, acceptance 3sovs. Distance, two miles.
CORNWALL HANDICAP (Harness) of 250sovs; second horse to receive 35 sovs, and third horse 20sovs each from the stake. Limit, 2.19. Nomination 2sovs, acceptance 3sovs. Distance, one mile.
MARCONI HANDICAP (Saddle) of 150 sovs; second horse to receive 20 sovs, and third horse 10sovs each from the stake. Limit, 2.24. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 2sovs. Distance, one mile.

SECOND DAY.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9, 1919.
BARN HANDICAP TROT (Harness) of 100sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs, and third horse 5sovs each from the stake. For horses that have not won at better than 2.30 to the mile. Limit, 4.0. FOR TROTTLING HORSES ONLY. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 2sovs. Distance, one mile and a-half.
MANUKAU HANDICAP (Saddle) of 100sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs, and third horse 5sovs each from the stake. For horses that have never won at better than 2.28 to the mile. Limit, 3.52. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 2sovs. Distance, one mile and a-half.
PRINCE OF WALES HANDICAP (Harness) of 450sovs; second horse to receive 60sovs, and third horse 30 sovs each from the stake. Limit, 4.39. Nomination 3sovs, acceptance 5sovs. Distance, two miles.
AUTUMN HANDICAP (Harness) of 150 sovs; second horse to receive 20 sovs, and third horse 10sovs each from the stake. Limit, 4.55. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 3sovs. Distance, two miles.
ADAMS' MEMORIAL HANDICAP (Harness) of 150sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs, and third horse 10 sovs each from the stake. Limit, 3.36. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 3sovs. Distance, one mile and a-half.
MEMBERS' TROT HANDICAP (Harness) of 200sovs; second horse to receive 30sovs, and third horse 15 sovs each from the stake. FOR TROTTLING HORSES ONLY. Limit 4.55. Nomination 2sovs, acceptance 3sovs. Distance, two miles.
LIVERPOOL HANDICAP (Harness) of 200sovs; second horse to receive 30 sovs, and third horse 15sovs each from the stake. Limit, 2.56. Nomination 2sovs, acceptance 3sovs. Distance, one mile and a-quarter.
FAREWELL HANDICAP (Saddle) of 150sovs; second horse to receive 20 sovs, and third horse 10sovs each from the stake. Limit, 2.24. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 3sovs. Distance, one mile.

DATES OF NOMINATIONS, ACCEPTANCES AND HANDICAPS.

NOMINATIONS for all events close on FRIDAY, MARCH 21, at 5 p.m.
GREAT NORTHERN DERBY, 1920-21.
 ENTRIES for the Great Northern Derby, 1920-21 close on FRIDAY, MARCH 21, at 5 p.m.
 ACCEPTANCES for the First Day close on FRIDAY, MARCH 28, at 5 p.m.
 ACCEPTANCES for the Second Day close on MONDAY, APRIL 7, at 5 p.m.
 HANDICAPS for the First Day to appear on MARCH 25.
 HANDICAPS for the Second Day to appear on MONDAY, APRIL 7.

GREAT NORTHERN TROTTLING DERBY, 1920-21.

GREAT NORTHERN TROTTLING DERBY, 1920-21, of 750sovs (to be run at the Summer Meeting, 1920-21); second horse to receive 150 sovs, third horse 75sovs, and the breeder of the winner 50sovs (provided that the horse is born in New Zealand), each from the stake. In Harness. Distance, one mile and a-half. **FOR NOW YEARLINGS.** Nomination 1sov each, close on FRIDAY, MARCH 21, 1919. First acceptances, 1sov each, close on the day of General Entry for the Summer Meeting, 1919-1920. Second acceptances, 1sov each, close on the day of General Entry for the Spring Meeting, 1920. Final payment, 6sovs each, close on the day of General Entry for the Summer Meeting, 1920-1921.

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AUTUMN MEETING, 1919.

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FIRST DAY,

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 2, 1919.

- MANGATARATA HURDLE RACE** of 175sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs, and third horse 10sovs from the stake. The winner of any hurdle race after the declaration of weights to carry 7lb extra. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 3sovs. One mile and three-quarters.
- LONGLANDS WELTER HACK HANDICAP** of 150sovs; second horse to receive 30sovs, and third horse 15sovs from the stake. Minimum weight, 7.7. The winner of any race after the declaration of weights to carry 7lb extra. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. Once round.
- NURSERY HANDICAP** of 300sovs; second horse to receive 50sovs, and third horse 20sovs from the stake. For two-year-olds. The winner of any flat race after the declaration of weights to carry 7lb extra. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 3sovs. Five furlongs.
- POUKAWA HACK HANDICAP** of 150 sovs; second horse to receive 30 sovs, and third horse 15sovs from the stake. The winner of any flat race after the declaration of weights to carry 7lb extra. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. Six furlongs.
- HAWKE'S BAY CUP HANDICAP** of 700sovs; second horse to receive 75 sovs, and third horse 25sovs from the stake. The winner of any flat race or races collectively of the value of 250sovs to carry 3lb extra; of the value of 500sovs, 7lb extra; of the value of 750sovs, 10lb extra; of the value of 1000sovs, 14lb extra. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 8sovs. One mile and a-half.
- MAIDEN HACK RACE** of 125sovs; second horse to receive 15sovs, and third horse 10sovs from the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards that have never won a race at time of starting. Weight, 8.0. Entrance 30s. Six furlongs.
- AUTUMN HANDICAP** of 200sovs; second horse to receive 30sovs, and third horse 20sovs from the stake. The winner of any flat race after the declaration of weights to carry 7lb extra. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 3sovs. Once round.
- PORANGAHAU HANDICAP** of 300 sovs; second horse to receive 35 sovs, and third horse 20sovs from the stake. The winner of any flat race after the declaration of weights to carry 7lb extra. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 4sovs. Six furlongs.

SECOND DAY.

THURSDAY, APRIL 3, 1919.

- KARAMU HANDICAP HURDLE RACE** of 175sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs, and third horse 10 sovs from the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 3sovs. One mile and three-quarters.
- OHITI MAIDEN HACK HANDICAP** of 125sovs; second horse to receive 15sovs, and third horse 10sovs from the stake. Minimum weight, 7.7. For horses that have never won a race at time of starting (winner of Maiden first day excepted). Nomination 1sov, acceptance 30s. Six furlongs.
- JUVENILE HANDICAP** of 200sovs; second horse to receive 40sovs, and third horse 20sovs from the stake. For two-year-olds. Nomination 1 sov, acceptance 2sovs. Five furlongs.
- HAWKE'S BAY STAKES** of 500sovs; second horse to receive 75sovs, and third horse 25sovs from the stake. for two and three-year-olds. Weight for age. Winners after 1st August, 1918, of any race or races collectively of the value of 250sovs to carry 3lb extra; of 500sovs, 7lb; of 750sovs, 10lb; of 1000sovs, 14lb extra. Maiden three-year-olds at time of starting allowed 10lb, two-year-olds 7lb. (Closed.) Subscription of 6sovs. Six furlongs and a-half.
- BURKE MEMORIAL STAKES** of 400 sovs; second horse to receive 60 sovs, and third horse 30sovs from the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 5sovs. One mile and a-quarter.
- AKITIO HACK HANDICAP** of 150 sovs; second horse to receive 30 sovs, and third horse 15sovs from the stake. The winner of any race after the declaration of weights to carry 7lb extra. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. Six furlongs.
- OKAWA HACK HANDICAP** of 150 sovs; second horse to receive 30 sovs, and third horse 15sovs from the stake. To be ridden by apprentices who have not won more than five races. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. One mile and a-quarter.
- FAREWELL HANDICAP** of 250sovs; second horse to receive 35sovs, and third horse 20sovs from the stake. The winner of any race after the declaration of weights to carry 7lb extra. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 3sovs. Six furlongs.

DATES OF NOMINATIONS, WEIGHTS AND ACCEPTANCES.

With Amounts to be forwarded to the Secretary H.B.J.C.

AUTUMN MEETING, 1919.

N.B.—All events close at 8 p.m., unless stated to the contrary.

FRIDAY, MARCH 14 (GENERAL ENTRY).

NOMINATIONS all events except Maiden Hack, 1sov.

ENTRANCE Maiden Hack 30s.

SUBSCRIPTION Hawke's Bay Stakes 6sovs.

SATURDAY, MARCH 22.

WEIGHTS all events First Day.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 26.

ACCEPTANCES Mangatarata Hurdles 3sovs, Longlands Welter Hack 1 sov, Nursery Handicap 3sovs, Poukawa Hack Handicap 1sov, Hawke's Bay Cup 8sovs, Autumn Handicap 3sovs, Porangahau Handicap 4sovs.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 2.

(Night of First Day's Races.)

WEIGHTS all events Second Day by 8.30 p.m.

ACCEPTANCES Karamu Hurdles 3 sovs, Ohiti Maiden Hack 30s., Juvenile Handicap 2sovs, Burke Memorial Stakes 5sovs, Akitio Hack Handicap 1sov, Okawa Hack Handicap 1sov, Farewell Handicap 3sovs, by 9.30 p.m.

N.B.—All Telegrams must be confirmed in writing—Rule 4, Part XVI.

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ANNUAL TROTTING MEETING, EASTER MONDAY, 1921.

TARANAKI FUTURITY STAKES (Harness), 1921, of 150sovs; second horse to receive 30sovs, and the third horse 20sovs out of the stake. For horses three years old at time of starting. By subscription of 3 sovs each, unless forfeits are declared and paid as follows: 1sov if struck out by Friday, September 24th, 1920; 2sovs if struck out by Friday, January 21, 1921. All horses remaining in after that date must pay the total subscription of 3sovs on Friday, March 18, 1921. Distance, one mile and a-half.

ENTRIES close on FRIDAY, MARCH 28, 1919, at 9 p.m.

No money required at time of nomination.

G. A. HOLDER, Secretary.

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1. **AUROA MAIDEN HANDICAP** (Harness) of 100sovs; second horse to receive 15sovs, and the third horse 10sovs from the stake. For all horses that have not won an advertised race at the time of starting. Horses to be handicapped to do 4.0 or better. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 2sovs. Distance, one mile and a-half.

2. **NORMANBY HANDICAP** (Saddle) of 100sovs; second horse to receive 15 sovs, and the third horse 10sovs from the stake. Horses will be handicapped to do 3.15 or better. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 2sovs. Distance, one mile and a-quarter.

3. **WAIMATE PLAINS CUP** (Harness) of 345sovs (325sovs in specie and a cup valued at 20sovs); second horse to receive 50sovs, and third horse 30sovs from the stake. Horses will be handicapped to do 4.50 or better. Nomination 2sovs, acceptance 4sovs. Distance, two miles.

4. **TARANAKI DISTRICT HANDICAP** (Saddle) of 80sovs; second horse to receive 15sovs, and third horse 10 sovs from the stake. Horses to be the bona fide property of residents in the Taranaki Provincial District. For unhopped trotters only. Riders to be amateurs. Horses will be handicapped to do 4.5 or better. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 30s. Distance, one mile and a-half.

5. **TARANAKI FUTURITY STAKES** (Harness) of 150sovs; second horse to receive 30sovs, and third horse 20sovs from the stake. For horses three-year-old at time of starting. (Closed with 48 nominations.) Final payment of 3sovs due April 11, 1919. Distance, one mile and a-half.

6. **HAWERA HANDICAP** (Harness) of 150sovs; second horse to receive 30 sovs, and third horse 20sovs from the stake. For unhopped trotters

only. Horses will be handicapped to do 5.5 or better. Nomination 1 sov, acceptance 3sovs. Distance, two miles.

7. **STRATFORD HANDICAP** (Harness) of 100sovs; second horse to receive 15sovs, and third horse 10sovs from the stake. Horses handicapped to do 3.45 or better. Nomination 1 sov, acceptance 2sovs. Distance, one mile and a-half.

8. **ELTHAM HANDICAP** (Saddle) of 175sovs; second horse to receive 30 sovs, and the third horse 20sovs from the stake. Horses to be handicapped to do 2.22 or better. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 3sovs. Distance, one mile.

NOMINATIONS for all events, accompanied by fees, close with the Secretary on FRIDAY, MARCH 28, at 9 p.m.

HANDICAPS declared on FRIDAY, APRIL 4 (on or about).

ACCEPTANCES for all events close on FRIDAY, APRIL 11, at 3 p.m.

Fees must accompany both nomination and acceptance.

RULES AND REGULATIONS.

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

The winner of any race after the declaration of handicaps may be re-handicapped.

No entry will be received for any race except on the condition that all disputes, claims and objections arising from the carrying out of this programme shall be decided by the stewards, or whoever they may appoint. Their decision on all points connected with the carrying out of this programme shall be final, subject to appeal to the Association, except on questions of fact.

With all nominations the name, colour, sex, age and pedigree, and the last three performances, and the horse's best time, and the names and addresses of the owner and trainer must be given.

Every owner must have colours registered with the Association prior to nomination.

The colours of rider or driver must be sent in at the time of nomination, failing which a fine of £1 will be enforced.

Telegraphed nominations must be confirmed in writing with all particulars by the following mail.

No horse will be allowed to start unless all fees are paid.

Riders and drivers must appear in proper costume or they will be fined. This rule will be strictly enforced.

All protests must be made in writing, and in the hands of the Secretary within 10 minutes of the decision of the race, and accompanied by a deposit of £5, to be forfeited if the protest be dismissed.

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NOTE.—Every horse must be registered with the Association prior to nomination in any race. Any unregistered horse shall be disqualified. The fee for registration is 10s. Before any horse can be nominated the Provident Fund fee of £1 must be paid to the Association otherwise a fine of £5 will be imposed. All trainers, riders and drivers must be licensed by the Association. Fees: Trainers, 10s.; Riders and Drivers, 10s.; Amateur Licenses, 5s.

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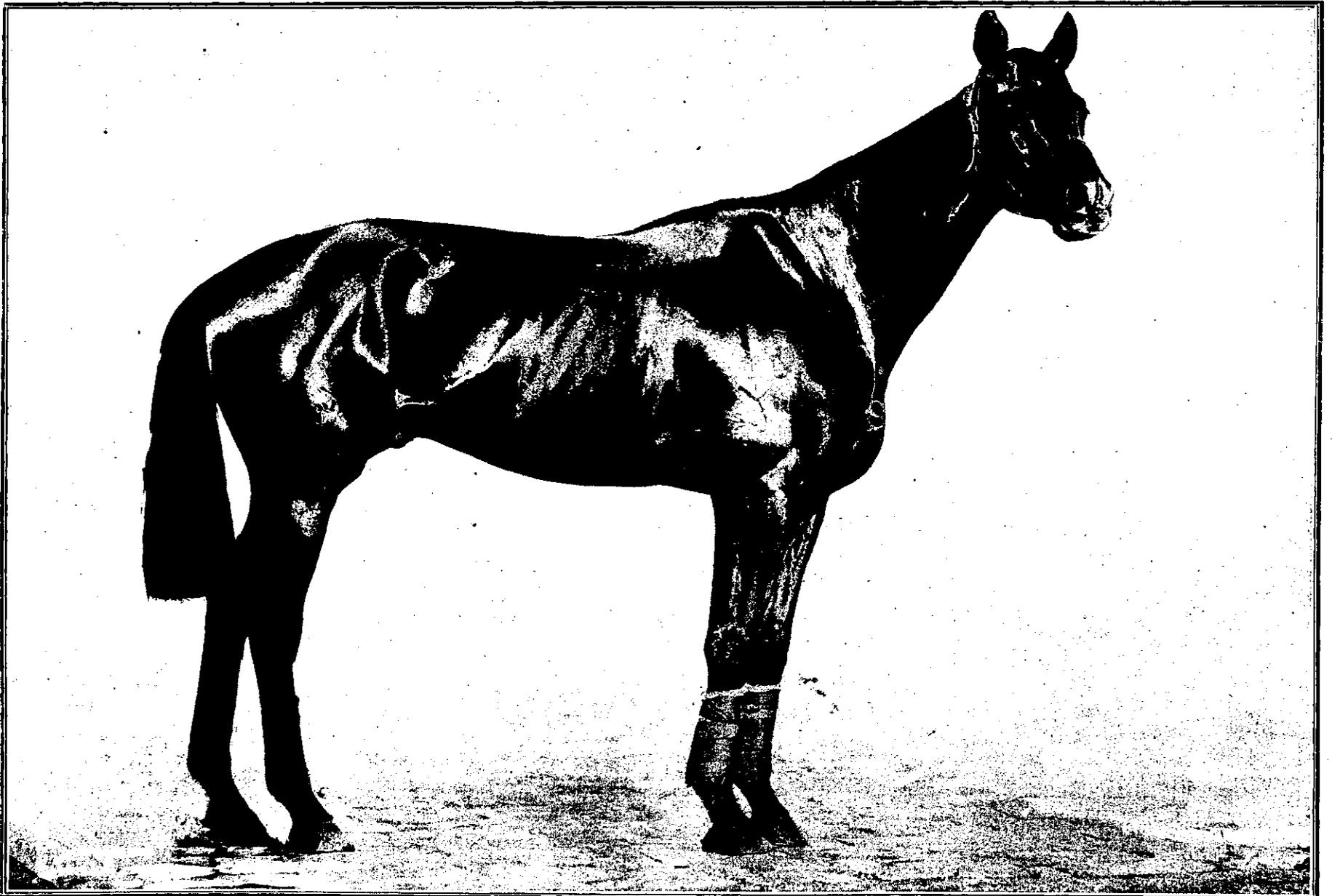
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TURF GOSSIP.

Now that the great war is over there should be a welcome revival of athletics, and in this connection it is gratifying to note that the Cambridge Athletic Club have made arrangements to hold a monster sports carnival on the Victoria Square, Cambridge, on Easter Monday, April 21. A first-rate programme, consisting of 22 events, has been drawn up, for which prizes to the value of £60 are to be distributed among the successful competitors. The events include flat races for men, boys and girls, hurdle, bicycle, obstacle, tug-o-war, wood-chopping, high jumping and field contests, so that some first-class sport is promised. A special train is to be run from Hamilton, and the carnival is certain to be extended wide patronage. Mr. V. G. Boulton, P.O. Box 7, Cambridge, is secretary of the carnival, and will be pleased to forward particulars to anybody desiring same.

During the Dunedin Jockey Club's recent meeting the flags at Wingatui were flown half-mast in mourning for Mr. Lachlan Maclean, who occupied the position of judge at the time that St. James and Occident fought out their sensational finish in the Dunedin Cup in 1892, the latter being returned the winner.

Vascular (Vasco—Pellicle), which defeated Jeannot and seven others in the Autumn Hurdles at Wingatui, was purchased by his present owner, Mr. W. B. Clarkson, at the Karamu sale for 70 guineas.

Rorke's Drift has started in four Dunedin Cups. Emerson rode him at 7.9 when he started fourth in order of betting for the 1916 Cup, and he beat Ardenwhor (7.4½) by a neck, Fender (6.9) being third. For the 1917 roce Rorke's Drift had 8.11, and he started first favourite, W. Robinson having the mount. Bee won from Ringform and Sunb, the big fellow finishing fifth. Last year, ridden by W. Robinson at 8.13, the son of Calibre was sixth in order of betting, and he made no show at all, not finishing amongst the first seven. Margerine won from Wardancer, with Glendower third. This year Rorkes' Drift won the Cup in a decisive manner.

The purchase of Kilbroney at the recent Elderslie dispersal sale for the Waikanae stud should be well received by breeders throughout the Dominion (remarks "Sir Lancelot," in the Wellington "Post"). He was foaled in 1907, and as he has proved a stud success he cannot be regarded as a dear horse at 4000 guineas. At the Yaldhurst clearing sale Multi-form, then 14 years old, brought 3750 guineas. At the previous Elderslie dispersal sale, held in 1912, Charlemagne II. fetched 2300 guineas. Better prices have been realised for stallions in Australia. At the Segenhoe (N.S.W.) sale Tressady brought 6000 guineas, and at the Shipley (Vic.) stud sale Comedy King brought 7300 guineas.

A new departure as to racing was noticed at Wingatui on Dunedin Cup Day. A brisk "Hip-ray" from the group of crippled soldiers sitting in motors near the birdcage called attention to the fact that Mr. Fred. Price, owner of Rorke's Drift, had been saying something to them, for he was walking away and acknowledging the salute; and upon inquiry it turned out that instead of celebrating his Dunedin Cup win by "shouting" champagne he elected to hand to the wounded and sick soldiers £1 each to help them to further enjoy their outing.

By winning the Champagne Stakes at the Dunedin Jockey Club's recent meeting Miss Mimic gave Sir George Clifford his thirteenth win in this event. Cynisca won for Sir George in 1889, Stronghold in 1904, Glenowlet in 1905, Husbandman in 1908, Sharpshooter in 1909, Counterfeit in 1911, Brown Owl in 1912, Nightwatch (the record holder) in 1913, Adjutant in 1915, Good Hope in 1916, Gamecock in 1917, and Heathercote in 1918.

The imported stallion Markhope looked a gift at the 400 guineas at which the hammer fell when the son of Marcovil was in the ring at the recent Elderslie sale. When Markhope entered the ring Mr. Boyle asked for a bid of 1000 guineas, but

silence reigned supreme until the figure dropped to 400 guineas, when Sir Rupert Clarke signified his willingness to pay that price. No further advance came, and without much dallying the hammer fell. Sir Rupert Clarke afterwards remarked that he only bought the horse because he looked a bargain.

The following is a list of jockeys' fees in connection with the Taranaki Jockey Club's recent fixture: H. Gray £56, B. Beeley £39, S. Bagby (apprentice) £27, L. Morris £27, M. McCarten £25, R. Reed £24, B. Morris £23, R. Mackay (apprentice) £21 10s., N. K. McDonnell £18, W. Dillamore (apprentice) £16 10s., J. Tilsly £16 10s., P. Rayner £11, N. Campbell £10, A. McCormick (apprentice) £9, W. Ayres £9, A. McDonald £8, E. Copestake £8, J. Kaan £8, C. Reed £7, F. Cook (apprentice) £7, E. Reed £7, L. Nodder £6, F. Johnson (apprentice) £6, P. Brady £4, L. Manson £4, W. Price £4, C. Price £4, F. Tutchen £4, A. Ward £4, S. Henderson £2.

The New Plymouth trainer, Percy Johnston, has the following horses in work: Movement, Lady Leo, Play-off, Piano, Cora Ora, Encircle, Simple Sam, Dingle and Te Toa. The last-named is a five-year-old bay gelding by Red Rain—Iona. He can muster up some pace, and on looks should make a good hurdler.

Fleetham shows signs of lameness after working, but throws it off and returns to the track the following morning apparently quite sound (says a southern writer). The English-bred horse, however, now seems inclined to make a noise, and is apparently not too good in respiratory organs.

At a recent meeting of the Board of the New Zealand Trotting Association in Christchurch the sum of £72 1s. 6d. was passed for payment to J. Bryce in respect of his recent accident.

A Taranaki paper published the following par apropos of the Desert Gold-Gloaming race: There is nothing like being up-to-date even in the direction of music on a racecourse. On Thursday, while the contestants in the Taranaki Stakes were saddling, etc., the Citizens' Band could be heard giving forth the strains of "In the Gloaming," "The Sands of the Desert," and "Little Bo-Peep has Lost Her Sheep," which had been specially arranged by the bandmaster so as to be played at suitable periods. By the way, Bo-Peep must have really gone to search for those sheep, because she failed to put in an appearance to run. After Desert Gold had won the race, as soon as the cheering and enthusiasm had subsided a little, the band again gave "The Sands of the Desert," and there was further cheering.

The aged pacer John Dillon, at one time owned by the late Flight-Lieutenant A. W. Gordon, of Auckland, was recently submitted to auction at Tattersall's, Christchurch, on account of Messrs. Jarden and Edgar, and after spirited bidding was knocked down to Mr. G. F. Robinson, the owner of Our Goldie and Mahinga, for 335 guineas.

The steeplechaser Palladio, who was trained by George Hope last season, has returned to Rorke's Drift Lodge, says an Invercargill writer, where he will rank as the veteran cross-country horse of the stable. He is in good condition to undergo a preparation for serious business between the jumping flags.

The American-bred trotter Ballin has arrived in Christchurch from Nelson, and will in future be trained by A. Fleming.

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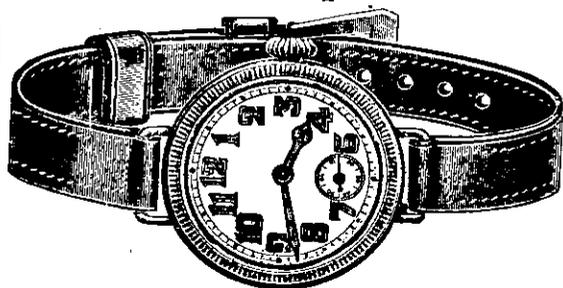
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TURF TOPICS

Hamilton Racing Club's meeting Saturday and Monday.

Rotorua races, and a good welcome, on Wednesday.

Lady Olwyn, a Soult mare, is still a maiden, and likely to remain a non-winner, some people think.

The running of Croesus in the Jackson Stakes at Wanganui proved that he was none the worse for his fall in the Egmont Stakes.

Fortune smiles on some owners, but the owner of Tigritya cannot be one of them. She is running up a big score of seconds.

The three-year-old filly Cherry Mart, by Birkenhead—Martia, who has proved a distinct disappointment to the Highden stable, is to be retired to the stud.

Trainer George Price, of Awapuni, who has received his discharge from a hospital ship, will, it is understood, resume his duties at the Highden stable on March 1.

F. E. Jones was asked to ride Rorke's Drift in the Dunedin Cup, but had to decline, as he trains John Barleycorn, who was also a starter in the race.

When Afterglow scored in the Egmont Cup it made B. Deeley's second success in the event named. His first was on the Auckland-owned Ngapuka, 10 years previous.

The original intention of the Southland Racing Club of adding an extra furlong to the Invercargill track has been abandoned in favour of one which will provide a circumference of a mile and a-quarter.

An Australian sportsman has recently been negotiating for the purchase of the Highden representative Nystad, winner of the last two C.J.C. Great Easter Handicaps, but has been unsuccessful in his efforts to secure the four-year-old son of Finland.

Since purchasing Wild Night for 200 guineas from Sir George Clifford, Mr. W. Stone resold the gelding at 400 guineas to Mr. R. Sutherland, owner of Cattach, and the three-year-old son of Antagonist will remain in H. G. Coker's charge.

The Hon. A. Von Doussa, M.L.C., has been secretary to Adelaide Tattersall's Club for 44 years, and is still guiding its destinies. The Onkaparinga Racing Club has held a one-day meeting on Easter Monday for over forty years, and continues its £1000 Great Eastern Steeplechase.

Sweet Tipperary, who acted as runner-up to Speedwell Mac in the Okaiawa Hurdles on the concluding day of the Egmont R.C.'s autumn meeting, gave a display which promises well for her future prospects in hurdle events. But for a faulty jump at the last hurdle she may have reversed places with the winner, and the speedy daughter of King's Guest should not be long in crediting her owners, the Messrs. Dwan Bros., with a long-overdue win.

It was at first stated that Dusky Eve's 2min. 59sec. for the fourteen furlongs in the Wanganui Cup was a world's record, but later this was qualified to an Australasian record. The fastest time previous recorded for one mile and three-quarters in Australasia was that established by Scoutmaster at Randwick in October, 1915, when he completed the distance in 3min.

Gloaming, who won the Jackson Stakes without being extended, owing to his marked superiority over the other three starters, registered 1min. 13 1-5sec. for the six furlongs. The record for the event is held by the speedy Ermengarde (dam of the Wellesley Stakes winner Ermine), who in 1912 ran the distance in 1min. 13sec.

It may not be generally known (says a Palmerston North writer) that Mr. E. Short, who has been for some weeks in a bad state of health, was six months ago kicked by a horse on the head, the injury causing a bit of bone to touch the brain. It is expected that an operation will remove the present danger to Mr. Short's health, and his friends express confidence as to his final recovery.

When the last mail left England no provision had been made in the fixtures for the Liverpool Grand National. The grandstands at Aintree were said to be full of shells, and the military had not made any move to get them out. The fences had all been overhauled and put in order, and it is said a lot of New Zealand and Australian sports, amongst others, were longing to see the race.

It is reported that W. Sharp, the well-known Eilerslie trainer, will be shifting his quarters to the country district of Gordonton, to train a few horses for a client who has a farm in that locality. This trainer has not been having any good luck for a considerable time past—indeed, it has been the other way—and a change of quarters might not prove amiss. Gordonton is situated in the Waikato, 11 miles from Hamilton, inland from Taupiri.

Mr. H. Chisholm, the Sydney auctioneer, who was present at the Dunedin Jockey Club's meeting on Cup Day, stated that he was sorry to see Mr. W. T. Hazlett secure Sprig of Erin at the Eilerslie Stud dispersal sale, as he would very much have liked to have bought the Irish-bred matron for Australia. The well-known New South Wales bloodstock salesman also said that of all the foals he saw at Eilerslie he had no hesitation in placing the baby daughter of Kilbroney and Sprig of Erin first in order of merit of the fillies. He described her as a beautiful youngster.

The old Karamu homestead near Hastings, the property of the late Hon. J. D. Ormond's family, was on Sunday destroyed by fire. It was by no means a pretentious house, but was one of the oldest-established ones in the vicinity, and since it was built great fur and other tree plantations had grown up, hiding it from view. It stood about half a mile back from the main road, and the avenue leading thereto passed the private training ground where so many winners were turned out, and through rich land on which they were bred. The training stables on the opposite side of the avenue are only a few chains away, and the fire apparently did not spread to them.

We were somewhat surprised to read in an exchange that Croesus should not have started in the Egmont Stakes. Surely no one could seriously urge that so useful a sprinter, whose owner had paid for the privilege of running him, should have been pulled out. It might, of course, have been Gloaming's bad luck to fall and interfere with Desert Gold, and Croesus would then have won. There are so many points of view.

For the first time since he went amiss last October Biplane revisited Randwick yesterday morning (says the Sydney "Sun" of February 9). His appearance was the subject of much favourable comment. Naturally little will be expected of him for some time, seeing that his confinement on board steamer interfered with his preparation considerably, and he was only asked to canter slowly round the cinders. But despite the fact that he had been cramped up in a small stall for nearly a fortnight on the Moeraki, he moved freely enough in this exercise.

Last year it was given out in the papers that a cable had been sent asking Mr. T. H. Lowry to start Desert Gold in the Awapuni Cup, and he had replied that he would do so if she had a good trip home and the weather was favourable. It has been stated that she might not have gone to New Plymouth, where she won the Taranaki Stakes, had not the Taranaki Jockey Club made a special request to her owner. Sometimes clubs take a good deal for granted, and the public and pressmen make the same mistake, in assuming that horses will start, without any definite information.

The nominations taken for the Hamilton R.C.'s meeting, to be decided on Saturday, March 1, and Monday, March 3, were very satisfactory, and must have come up to the most sanguine expectations of the secretary and members of the executive committee who framed such a liberal two days' programme, the most valuable put forward by any country club in the Auckland province. The bill-of-fare, indeed, is a most excellent one, and if a country club can launch out in this way is it not to be wondered at why some other clubs are not so ready with their funds for the purpose of providing good stakes. The owners within the province recognised the liberality of the club and the reasonable charges made for nominations and acceptances, and from outside there was also a good response.

A letter from a passenger on board the Manuka while in quarantine with Mr. W. R. Kemball's horses was received during the week. All the horses arrived without a scratch, and the trip from a weather point of view was perfect all the way. There were no swollen legs. Each horse was taken out of its box and led round the hatchway on a sawdust track, and thus got a bit of exercise each day. When the quarantine ground was reached the Manuka ran abreast of the Moeraki, on which Biplane was awaiting the time to go ashore. The passengers cheered the new arrivals. Three concerts were given in aid of the sailors, and many passed the time in fishing and playing quoits. Quite a lot of vessels were held up in the same nook in the harbour. The passengers on these boats derived some amusement from seeing the passengers on the ferry steamers passing in the harbour wearing masks, so soon to be made compulsory in each of their own individual cases.

Mr. E. J. Watt is on a visit to New Zealand from Australia.

Bingham has been sold to Mr. J. Goodwin, of Hawera, by Mr. I. Hardley for 250sovs.

Miss Ellice was one of the good things punters sorted out for the Waipa meeting.

One race at Wanganui seemed to knock Depredation out, as he finished last in the Wanganui Stakes.

Mr. J. B. Reid still owns Punka, who is expected to go to Australia ere long.

Mr. "Dick" Hannon is without a representative at Rotorua!! And after winning so many Cups there. Even the Maoris will be surprised.

The horses Spanner, Thrace, Hineamaru, Canzonet, and Mistress Biddy, under Gilchrist's tuition, are to be taken to the Hamilton meeting.

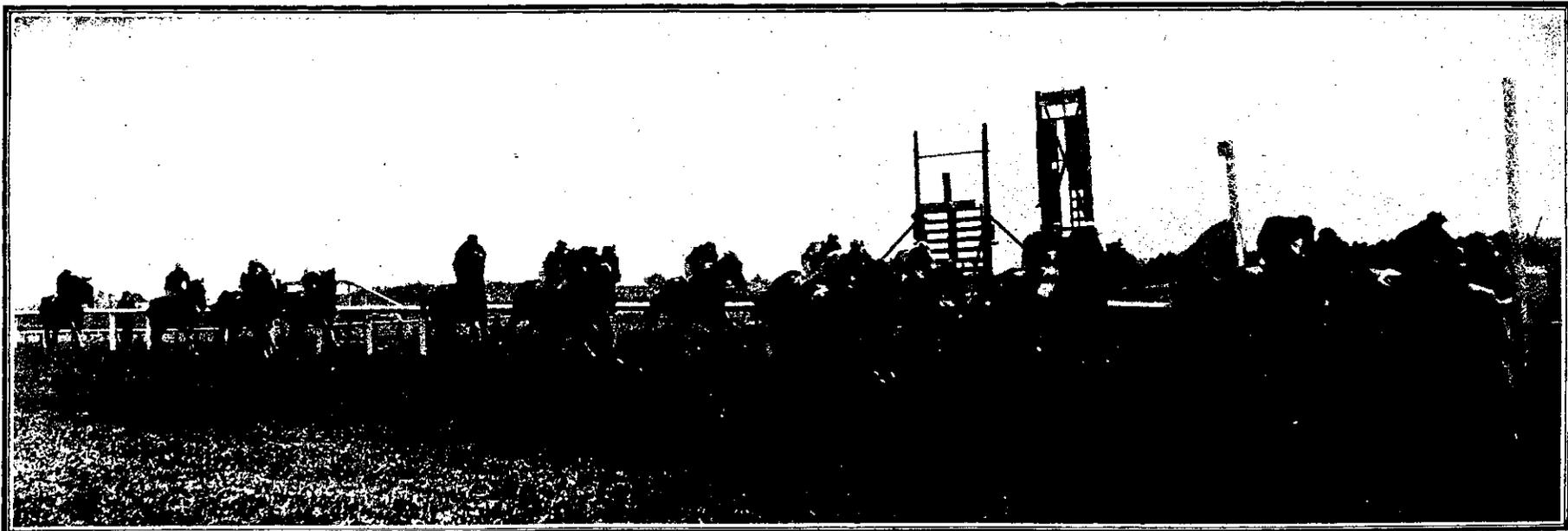
A resolution of sympathy was passed by the committee of the A.R.C. to the Hon. E. Mitchelson, their president, at the death of his brother, Richard.

The appointment of Mr. W. R. Holmes to the position of manager of the totalisators for the Auckland R.C. was generally looked for in well-informed circles.

Defunct Caiman, the American horse who held the mile record in England, is occasionally represented in Australia by winners at country meetings.

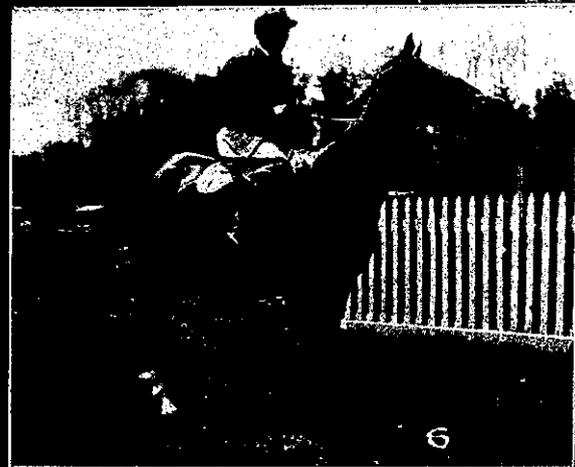
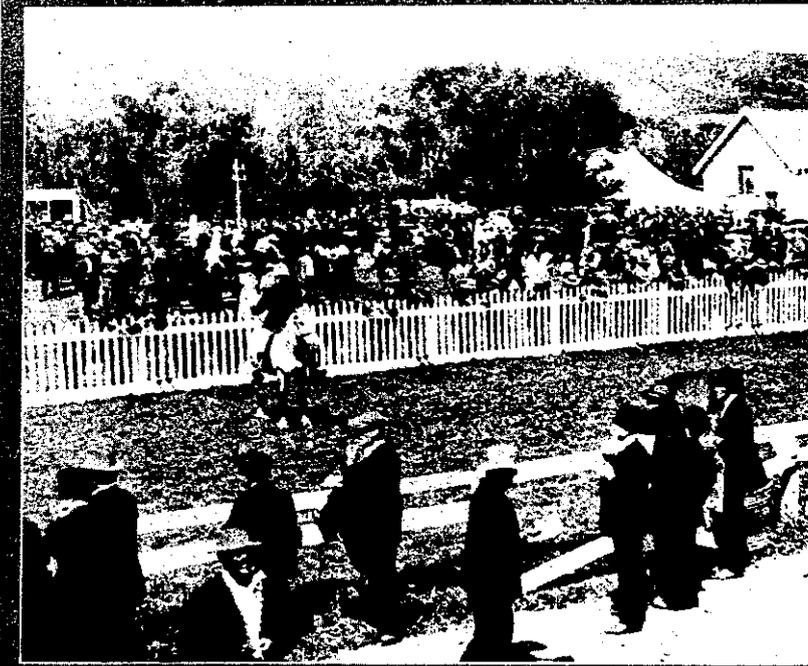
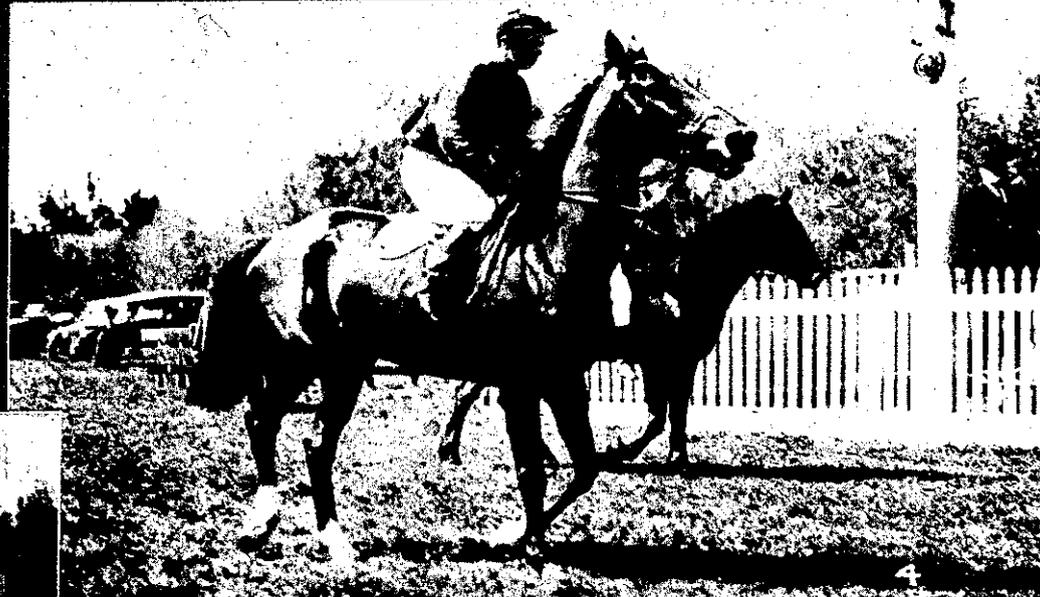
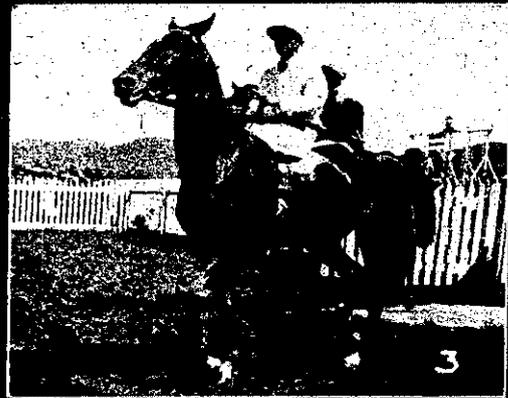
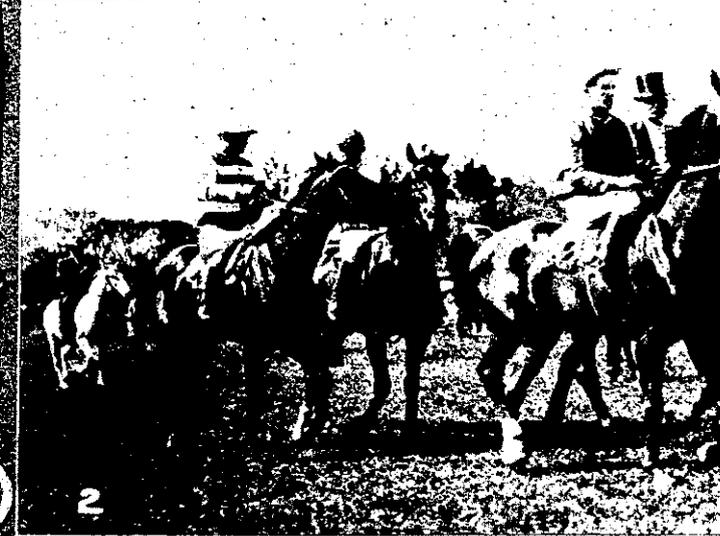
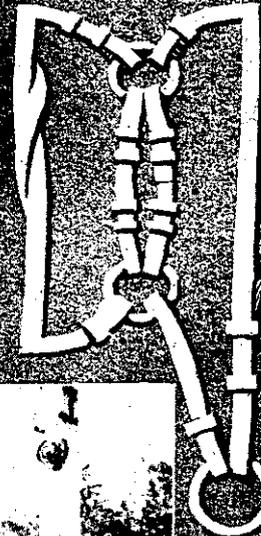
The Melbourne and New Zealand Cup winner, Sasanof, who, since fulfilling engagements at the Auckland Racing Club's summer meeting, has been treated to a spell from racing, is regarded as a certain starter at the Wellington Racing Club's autumn meeting, when the son of Martian will contest the Trentham Gold Cup (two miles). Gloaming and Desert Gold are mentioned as likely starters in this event. The Trentham Gold Cup was inaugurated by the Wellington Club in 1914, when Merry Rose proved the winner. Other successful horses in the important two-mile weight-for-age event have been: 1915, Warstep; 1916, Eligible; 1917, Kilboy. Last year the race was not held.

Desert Gold's trainer, F. Davis, finding that it was no use taking on Gloaming at Wanganui at weight for age after he had proved capable of carrying a 7lb. penalty and beating the mare, advised her owner, Mr. T. H. Lowry, to reserve her for the Awapuni Gold Cup and the Trentham Gold Cup. Killowen was sent along to represent the stable, and managed to get third money, and also third money in the Wanganui Guineas, but he was not at his best, being on the gross side. Croesus was also his master at w.f.a., and at the standard weights fixed for the classic race had to give 5lb. to Gloaming and Afterglow. At weight for age the imposts in October would have been: Killowen 7.12, Gloaming 7.9, Afterglow 7.7. In February, 8.5, 8.2 and 8.2 respectively. It really made no difference to the placings so far as Gloaming was concerned, and Afterglow had the measure of Killowen also, but had the weights been fixed for a race in the autumn the conditions would have been a little more favourable to the colt, as he would have been 2lb. nearer in weight to each of his opponents. Sometimes a pound or two matters a great deal.



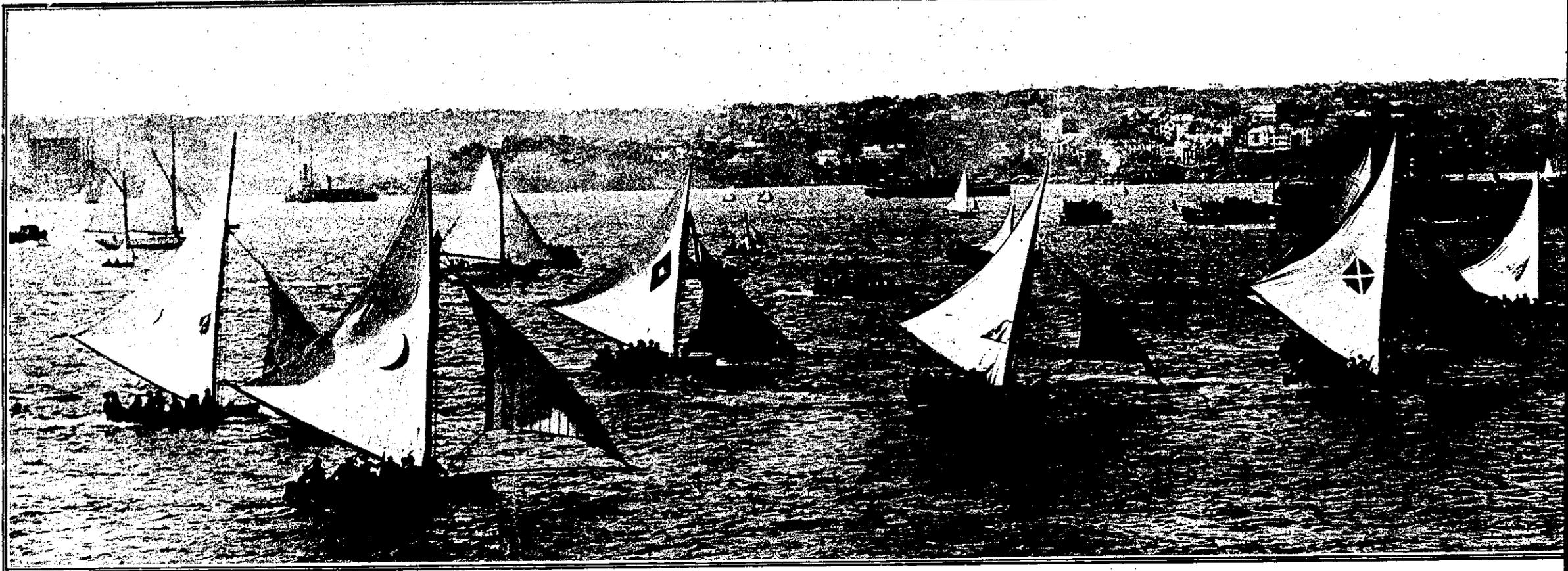
THE FINISH OF THE DUNEDIN CUP (1½ MILES)—RORKE'S DRIFT (J. OLSEN) WINS A GOOD RACE FROM GLENDOWER (G. YOUNG), WITH PUNKA (F. ELLIS) THIRD.

SNAPSHOTS AT THE TE KUITI RACING CLUB'S ANNUAL GATHERING.

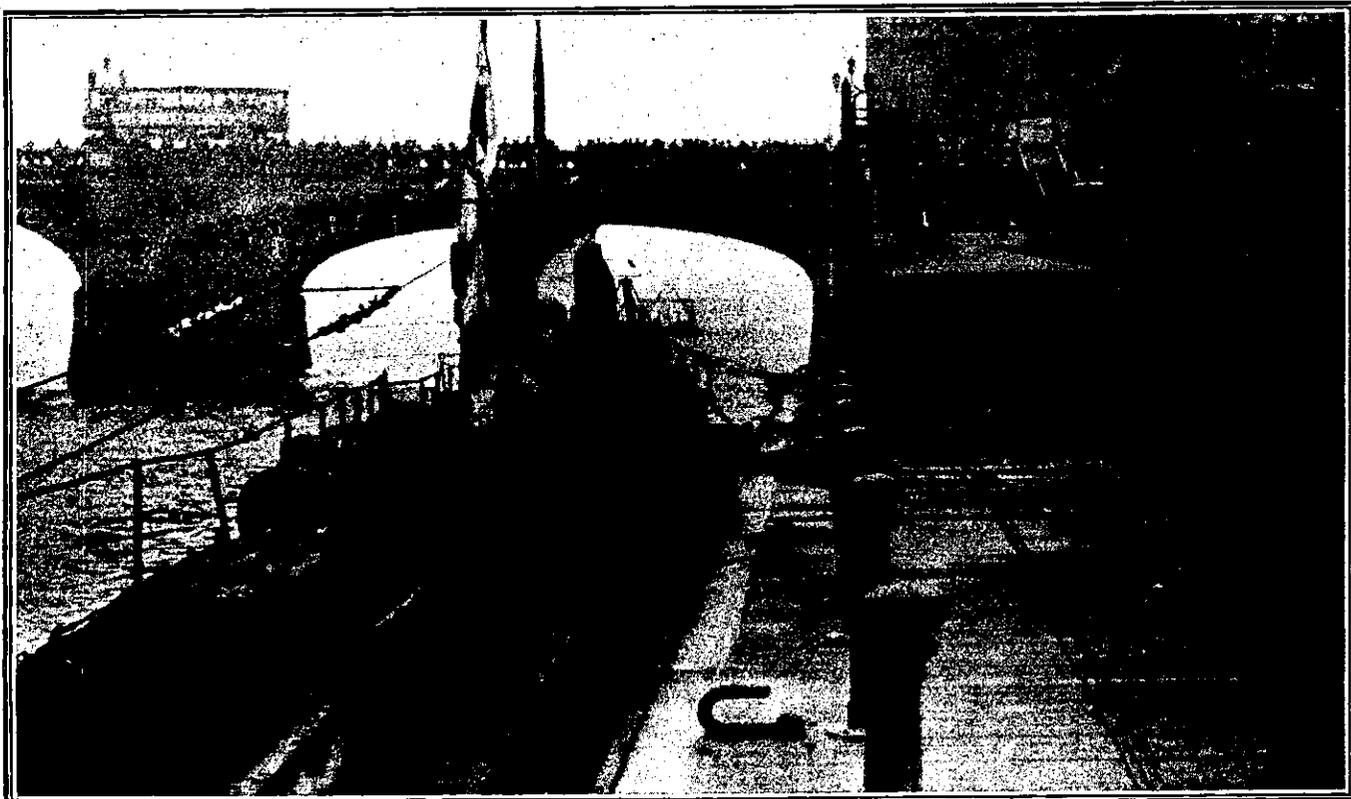


1. PLENIPO TENT (S. Henderson) wins the Hack Hurdles (1½ miles) from MAHZOLT OV (J. Roach), with SIGNATURE (J. Preston) third. 2. Horses returning to scale after the decision of CAMBRIDGE (M. O'Shea) after his victory in the Otorohanga Handicap (five furlongs). 4. The Te Kuiti Cup winner, Mr. R. McMiken's MUNSTER (C. Reed) after accounting for the race of the course, showing patrons round the totalisator. 6. GOLDEN PETAL (Ferguson) after his popular win in the Maiden Handicap (seven furlongs). 7. A snapshot in the birdcage. 8. MILLSON after placing the Stewards' Handicap (six furlongs) to her credit. The second horse is GARRYOWEN (A. McFlinn). 9. From left: Mr. C. Boles (Clerk of Scales), Mr. A. F. Howarth (P. Vice-President). 10. The field going out of the straight in the Te Kuiti Cup (1¼ miles)—HOUSEWIFE has a commanding lead from MUNSTER (next rails), EMPIRE and ROYAL IRISH

The Australian Inter-State Sailing Championship for 18 ft. Best and Best Boats, and Views of Surrendered Submarines being inspected by Londoners.



VIEW TAKEN JUST AFTER THE START OF THE 18-FOOT INTER-STATE SAILING CHAMPIONSHIP OF AUSTRALIA, DECIDED EARLY THIS MONTH ON SYDNEY HARBOUR. THE
 (N.S.W.), which boat is shown on extreme right with triangle on her sail. This was the first event since the war, New South Wales being represented by five boats and G



GERMANY PROVIDES SPECTACLE FOR THE LONDON PUBLIC.—A surrendered German submarine at Westminster Pier, where Westminster Bridge forms a splendid "grandstand" for spectators. The Houses of Parliament are seen in the background.

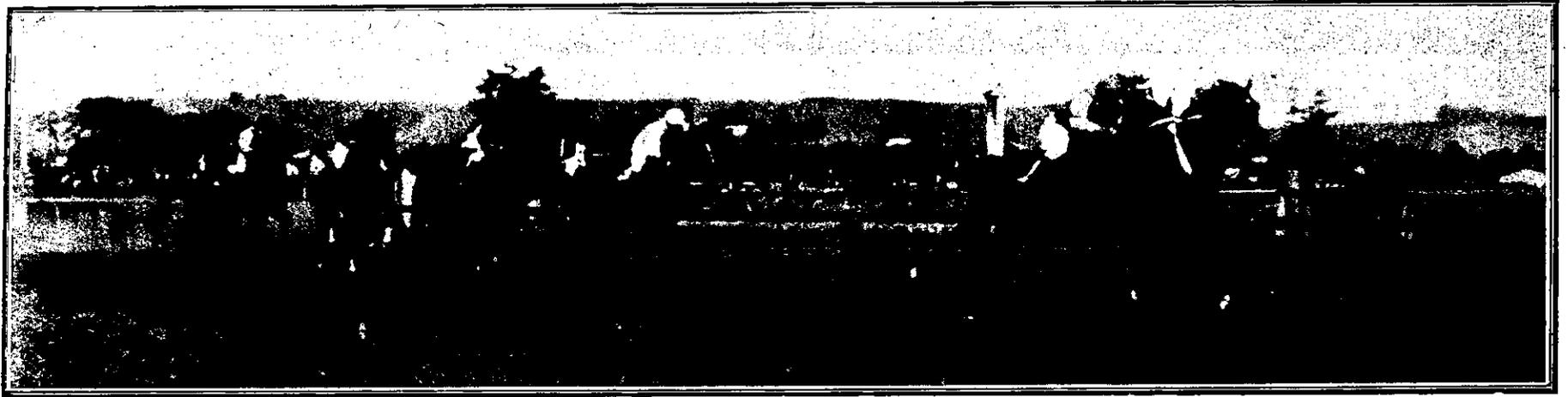


HUN SUBMARINE ON SHOW IN LONDON.—The public are seen inspecting the submarine at Westminster. Thousands of persons paid a shilling

The Wanganui Jockey Club's Record Autumn Meeting.



GLOAMING (B. DEELEY) WINNING THE JACKSON STAKES (SIX FURLONGS) FROM CROESUS (B. MORRIS), WITH KILLOWEN (H. GRAY) THIRD.



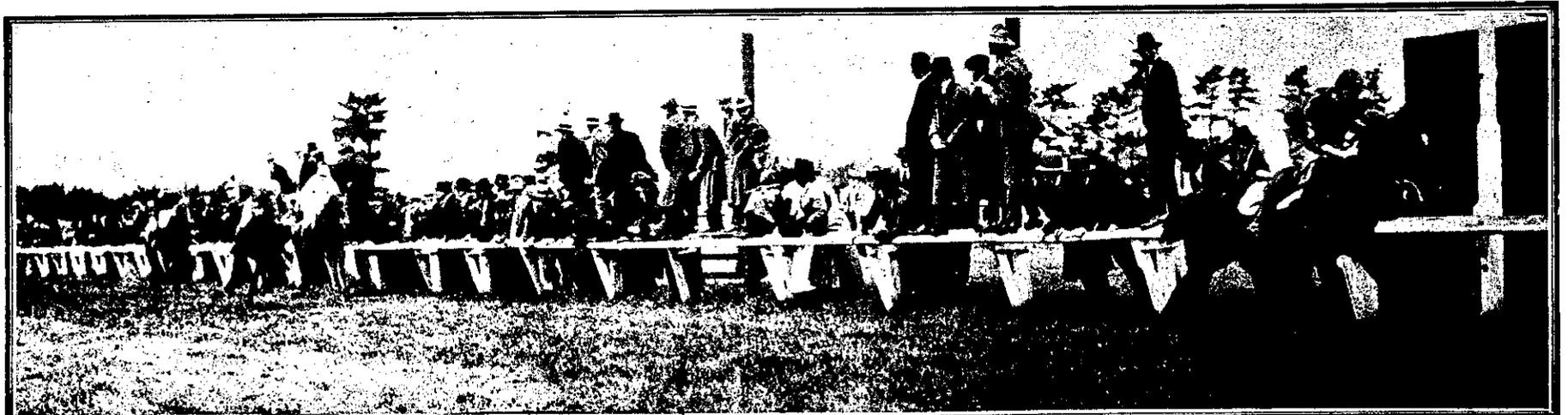
THE FIELD RACING AT THE BEND LEADING OUT OF THE STRAIGHT IN THE WANGANUI CUP—FORM UP (next rails) and REWI POTO have charge, with DEPREDATION, DUSKY EVE, ALTERATION, MASTER MOUTOA and CLIENT following in that order.



THE FINISH OF THE WANGANUI CUP (1 3/4 MILES)—DUSKY EVE (G. McLean) wins from DEPREDATION (R. Reed), with MENELAUS (A. Reed) third, and CLIENT fourth. The time registered (2min. 59sec.) constitutes a new record for the Dominion.

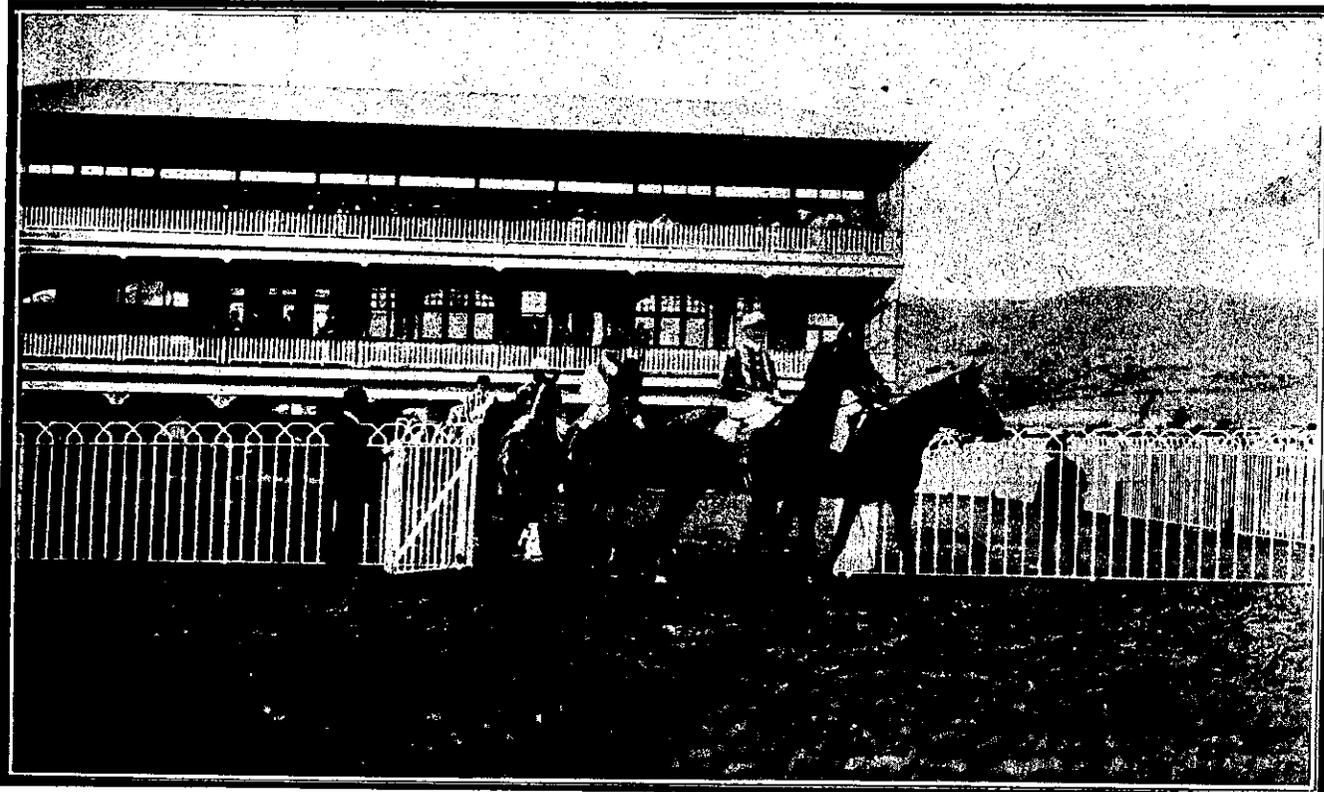


NEGOTIATING THE OBSTACLE IN STRAIGHT IN THE WESTMERE HURDLE RACE—FIRST LINE showing the way to RIO, GOLDEN GRAFTON, ARLINGTON, LOYAL ARCH and WAIPUNOA in that order.

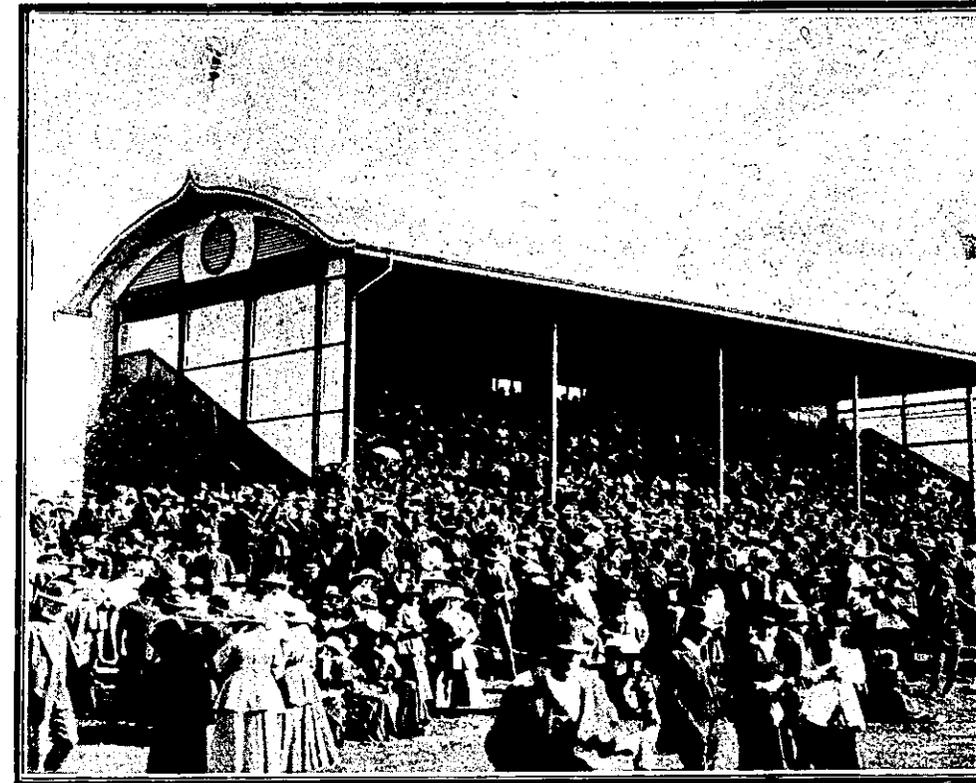


FIRST LINE (PROCTOR) SCORES A RUNAWAY VICTORY IN THE WESTMERE HURDLE RACE (TWO MILES). GOLDEN GRAFTON (on outside) was second, and LOYAL ARCH (next rails) third.

Cup Day at Wingatui--The Dunedin Jockey Club's Autumn Meeting.



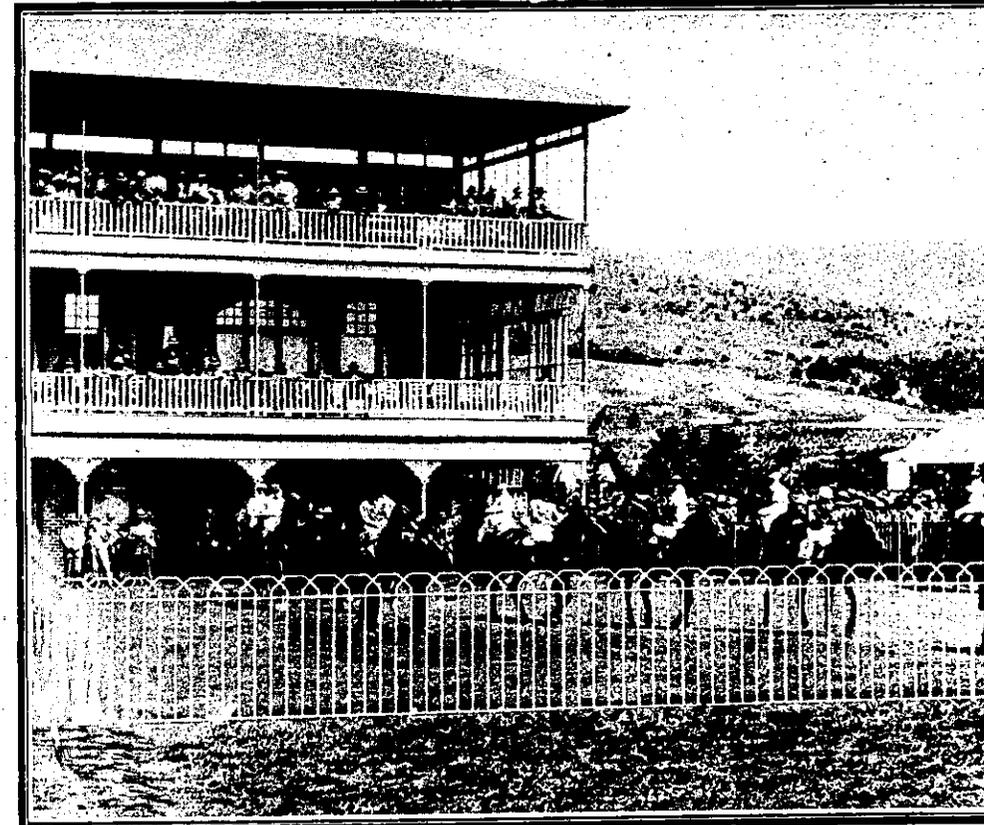
HORSES LEAVING THE BIRDCAGE TO FULFIL THEIR ENGAGEMENTS IN THE AUTUMN HURDLE HANDICAP. JEANNOT, who finished second, VASCULAR (the winner), NOCTURNAL and EURIPOS comprise the leading quartette.



THE MAIN STAND AND FRONT LAWN AT WINGATUI DURING THE MEETING.



VIEW OF THE TOTALISATOR, SHOWING SOME OF THE CLUB'S PATRONS.



DUNEDIN CUP CANDIDATES PARADING IN THE BIRDCAGE PRIOR TO INDICATORIALS.

Interesting War Events at Home and Abroad.



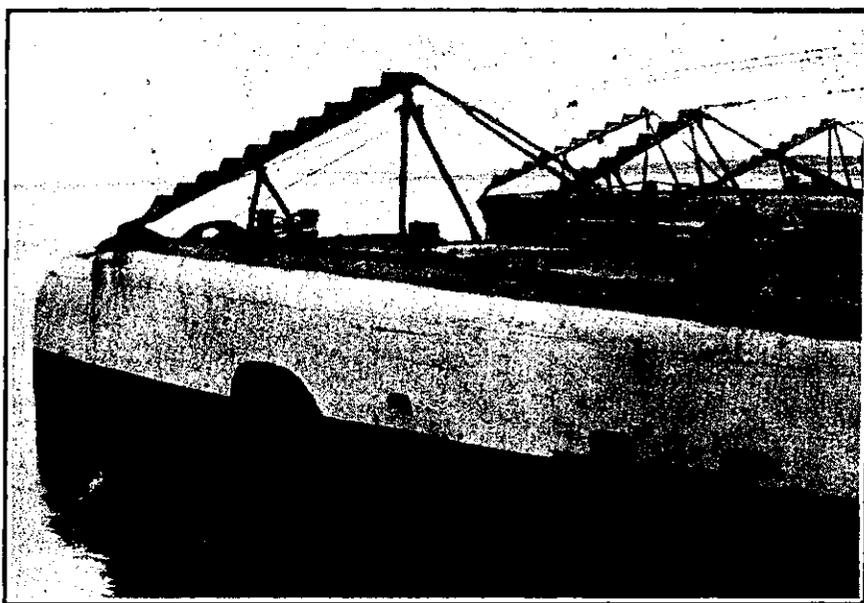
Silver Badge Men "mob" the King.—A truly wonderful scene, illustrating the affection in which the King is held was witnessed on the occasion of his review of the Silver Badge men. The Prince of Wales, who was vociferously cheered, is seen shaking hands with allcomers.



France's Day of Liberation.—The triumphal entry of the French troops into Colmar. General Castlenau, who rode at the head of his troops, is depicted receiving an address of welcome from the Mayor of Colmar, M. Lehmann.



The famous "Wall Game" at Eton. The annual match in progress between Collegers and Oppindans, showing an exciting moment in the game.



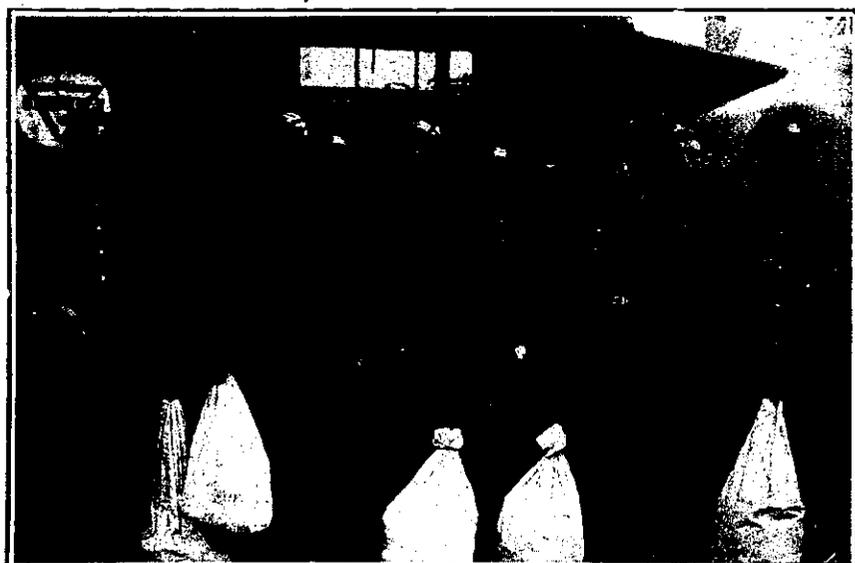
U-Boats' Teeth.—These devices on the bows of German submarines were designed to cut a passage through cables and nets.



"League of Nations" Fair, held recently at Lady Cowdray's house in Carlton Terrace, London. The fair was opened by Lady Londonderry and was in aid of hospital work. Lady Abbot Anderson (on left) is shown with her helpers at her Russian stall.



MARSHAL FOCH, Commander-in-Chief of the Allied Forces (on left) and the DUKE OF CONNAUGHT (in centre) photographed at Charing Cross, London, upon the arrival of the famous general in England.



Back from Bondage.—British prisoners outside the travelling canteen which met them at Cannon Street Station, London, on their return from the German prison camps.

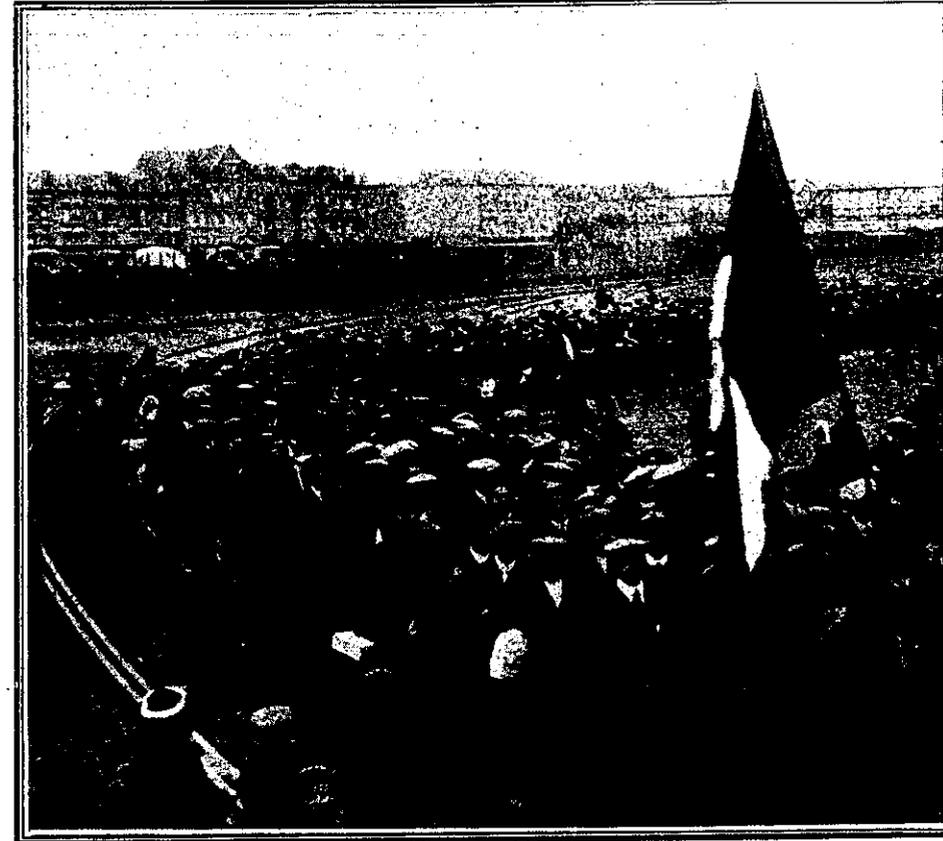


First photograph of the German evacuation of Belgium in accordance with the armistice terms. German troops are seen marching through the streets of Liege as they leave the town. The decorations consist of Allied flags.

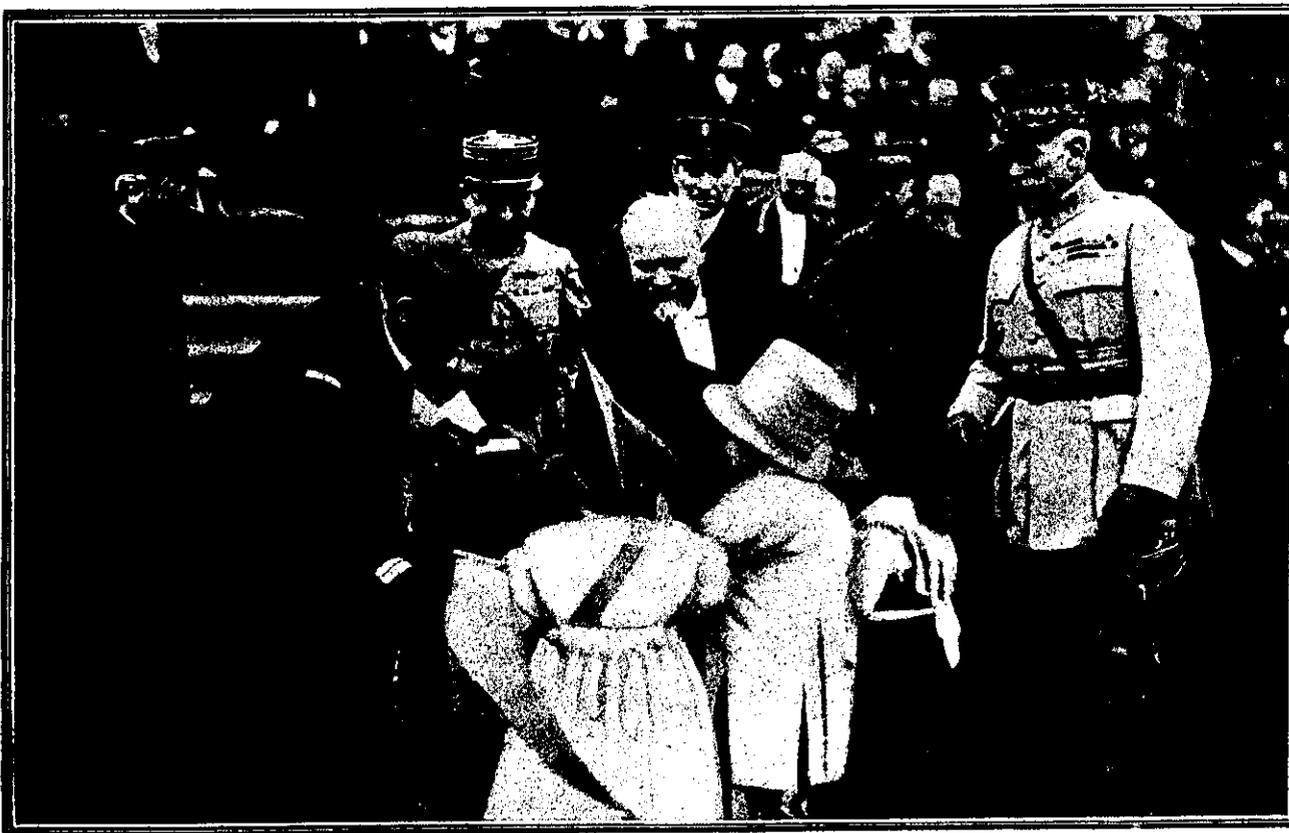
Recent Noteworthy Happenings in London and on the Continent.



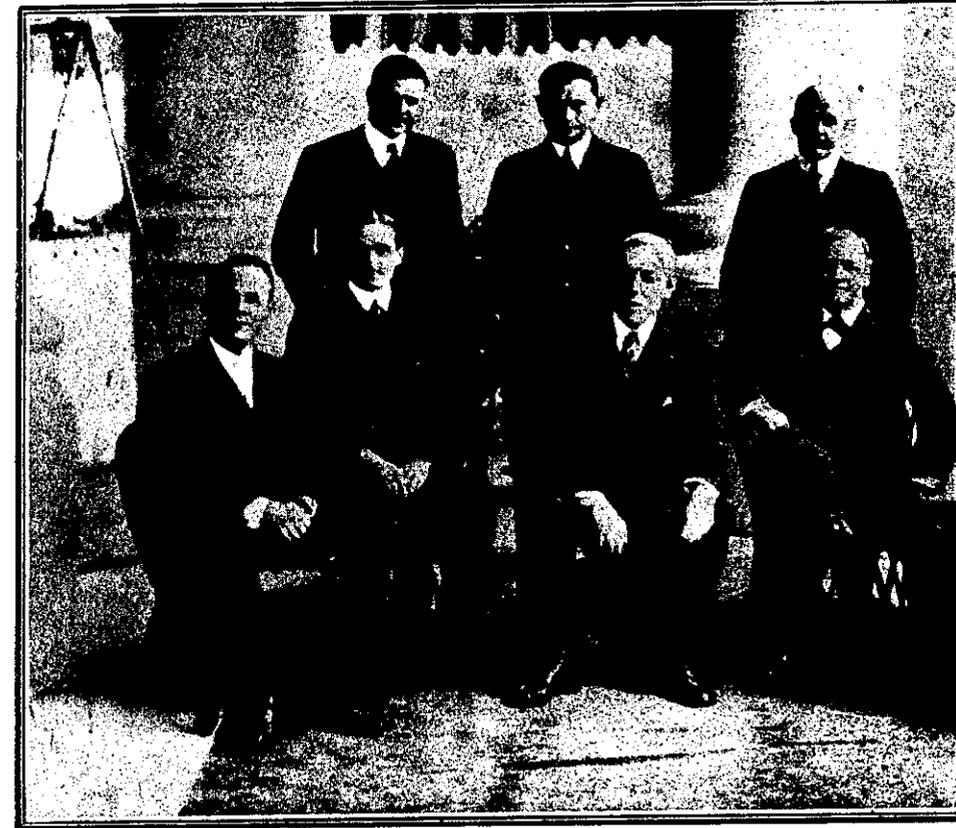
THE BRITISH ELECTIONS MARK MUCH NEEDED REFORM—WOMEN VOTE FOR THE FIRST TIME IN ENGLAND. The illustration shows women placing their votes in the ballot box at North Islington during the recent Parliamentary elections.



ALLIED SUBJECTS WHO WERE INTERNED AS PRISONERS OF WAR HOME—Italian soldiers and civilians released from German imprisonment at Rotterdam docks. An endless procession of war prisoners from Germany has landed.

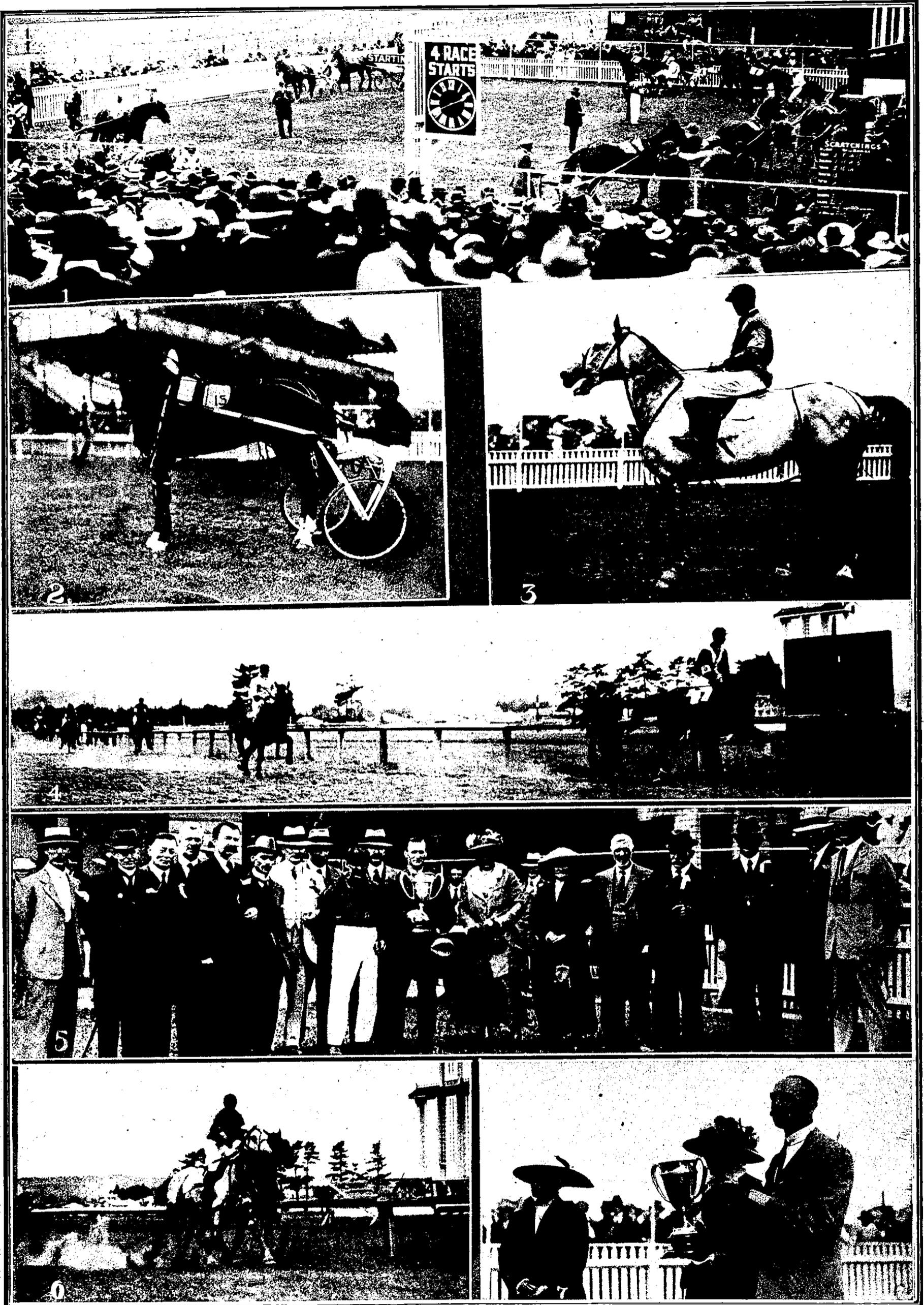


THE GREAT CHILD OF FRANCE.—Recently there have been glorious days in Alsace, where, after 48 years of grievous separation, the inhabitants find themselves free of the odious German yoke. In General Petain's words: "The child of France has been found." The illustration shows President Poincare receiving a bouquet from children at Colmar.



PRESIDENT WILSON AND HIS CHIEFS.—Sitting (from left to right): B. C. of War), W. McAdoo (Secretary of Treasury), President Wilson, J. Daniels (Head of the War Industries Board). Standing (left to right): H. Hurley (Chairman of the Shipping Board), V. McCormack (Chairman of V

The Opening Day of the Wanganui Trotting Club's Annual Meeting.



1. A view of the birdcage, showing Wanganui Trotting Cup candidates parading before going out to contest the big two-mile event. 2. The Wanganui Trotting Cup winner, 1919—Mr. R. McNaughton's blk g GEORGE AKWOOD, 5yrs., by Wildwood Junior—Sibil. W. Orange driver. 3. Mr. C. Gordon's STONE BELDON (J. Bryce, jun.), after accounting for the Morton Memorial Stakes (1/4 miles). 4. TAIKOREA (Dench) winning the Maiden Handicap (1/2 miles) from PLAIN BOB (Aitken) and PLAIN ROSE. 5. Group taken in corner of birdcage just after the presentation of the valuable Cup to Mr. H. McNaughton, owner of George Akwood. 6. STONE BELDON (on outside), the winner, and WOODLAND ROSE engage in an exciting finish in the Morton Memorial Stakes (1/4 miles). 7. Mr. C. E. Mackay (Mayor of Wanganui) delivers an appropriate address in connection with the presentation of the Cup donated by Mr. Geo. Spriggins to the winner of the Wanganui Trotting Cup.

GREENROOM GOSSIP

"My firm lost about £10,000 as a result of the closing of all theatres during the epidemic last year," said Mr. Walter Fuller to the By-laws Committee of the Wellington City Council.

Four members of the Gonsalez Opera Company—Count Phillipini (just married to a Sydney girl) and Signors Balboni, Cacciagli and Lois—have been appearing recently at the Princess Theatre, Melbourne, in "Cavaleria," "Pagliacci," and "Rigoletto," under Frank Rigo's direction. They have been supported by Australian singers—Leah Meyers (Santuzza), and Nellie Leach (Nedda), while Gustav Slapofski (musical director) controlled an orchestra of 40 and a chorus of 60. In "Rigoletto" Miss Gertrude Johnson and Miss Gladys Verona alternated as Gilda.

Mr. Harry Cohen, manager of Drury Lane Theatre, London, was married on December 9 to Miss Doris Lumsden (Doris Duane, who made a most successful debut a couple of months ago as Dorothy Brunton's understudy in "Shanghai"). Among those who sent wedding presents were the principals at Drury Lane, Colonel Geordie Hall, Mr. Angus McLeod (general manager of the Maud Allan-Cherniavski Concert Co. when they toured Australasia), Misses Ivy Shilling and Blanche Tomlin (of the Shanghai Company), Dr. Bradshaw, Major Percy Fordham, Dr. Sydney Allen and Dr. Borrie (Dunedinites now in London). The honeymoon was spent in the south of England.

Madame Clara Butt has been making suggestions for soldiers' memorials. In a letter to "The Evening News" (London) she suggests that many of the schemes for memorials to our brave fighting men would cost a great deal of money without doing much real good, and puts forward as a really practical scheme the provision of suitable houses for the men and for the dependants they have left behind. "I have always felt," she writes, "our slums to be a blot on and a disgrace to England. Can we alter this? Let every unsanitary and untenable house be condemned and plans made to rebuild. Every man who went out there ought to have a house or cottage built, so that his family can be housed decently and comfortably. I know the organisation needed for this will be tremendous, but surely the Church can help us here. Women can help, too. The nation can get the money. Don't let the houses be ugly; instead of cheap and nasty, let's have them cheap and nice."

Mr. H. D. McIntosh in an article in the "Green Room" concerning his recent visit to America and London, says Miss Dorothy Brunton's first appearance in "Shanghai" was accompanied by one of the most cordial and remarkable demonstrations ever seen in a London theatre. The house was packed, packed literally to the point of suffocation. Hundreds of Australian soldiers who were unable to find seats were content to stand. When Dorothy entered there was a perfect hurricane of coo-ees, a roaring crescendo of wild Australian yells. The performance stopped dead while the house rocked, and the performance could not go on until Dorothy, in a tremulous little voice, had made the speech demanded of her. Then each time she came on there was that tremendous fusillade of yells and coo-ees. This is the sort of thing that brings home to the English public what Australian popularity is like, teaches 'em that Australian loyalty is like Australian patriotism where any worthy object is concerned—goes all the way through and runs right over. When the curtain went down that first night Miss Brunton was smothered in flowers, covered up and hidden in the avalanche of them. There were other gifts of all sorts—boomerangs, several complete German uniforms with helmet complete, everything that could possibly be made to go with the joyous occasion. If one of

the boys could have got Fritz in any sort of condition he would have been brought in, I think. It was not a few lads here and there; it was the whole big body of Australian soldiers present. Nothing was too good for Dorothy. At a supper given in her honour that night a number of old and new friends were present—Mrs. Brunton, Captain Bruce Bairnsfather, Miss Ivy Shilling, Miss Olive Lenton, Mr. Sachs (the well-known entrepreneur who produced "Shanghai"), several members of the peerage, and the Hon. Mrs. Michael Scott. There were cordial speeches a-plenty. It was a very emphatic compliment for Dorothy, as functions of the kind were not by any means encouraged at that time.

From the "Green Room" we learn that the part of the hero's jockey in the new Australian racing picture, "Desert Gold," is played by no less than four people during the six exciting reels. Of these, three were leading jockeys (W. McLachlan, Ken. Bracken and J. O'Shea), and one, an actor, Jerry Harcourt. In one scene—that of Desert Gold doing an early morning gallop—Jerry Harcourt is seen starting off on Desert Gold. Then, owing to Mr. Lowry (the owner) fearing to allow anyone unfamiliar with the mare to ride her, McLachlan takes Harcourt's place, and does the gallop. A few weeks later, Beaumont Smith, the producer, decided to make an alteration in the gallop scene, photographing Desert Gold galloping from a moving motor car. Accordingly Ken. Bracken was secured, and rode the mare for the alteration. So in a half-mile gallop three jockeys rode Desert Gold, but, of course, not even the most experienced fan would notice this fact.



BEAUMONT SMITH, who has just completed in Sydney a six-reel movie entitled "Desert Gold," featuring Mr. T. H. Lowry's renowned mare.

Miss Jennie Brenan, the well-known dancing mistress, who has gone abroad to see all the latest in dances and to take in the theatres in America and London, is having a busy time in New York, where she has been doing the big shows with a view to securing for J. C. Williamson, Ltd.; new dance effects and features. Writing by the last mail, Miss Brenan said that she had witnessed a number of performances and realised more than ever that the standard of production in Australia could compare more than favourably with that of the American theatres, particularly with regard to musical shows. "So far," added Miss Brenan, "I have seen nothing that can come up to the staging of the Williamson 'Goody Two Shoes' pantomime at Melbourne Her Majesty's. And as for our chorus and ballet, the American girls cannot compare with ours for looks, style and dancing."

Mary Pickford's remarkable rise in the cinematograph world, to a salary and bonus amounting to no less than £276,000 in two years, was mentioned in the Supreme Court (says the New York correspondent of the London "Daily Express"), when the cinema "star" was sued by Mrs. Cora Carington Wilkening, theatrical and literary agent, for 10 per cent, of the actress' contract with the Pickford Film Corporation and 5 per cent, of the income from the sale of articles about her life and experiences through the McClure Syndicate. Mrs. Wilkening alleges that it was by her efforts that Miss Pickford was able to make advantageous contracts. This Miss Pickford denied in the witness box. The £276,000 salary and bonus in two years was due, accord-

ing to Mrs. Wilkening, to the little actress' displeasure at learning that Charlie Chaplin was receiving more than she. "Miss Pickford came to me," stated Mrs. Wilkening, "and said she had heard Mr. Chaplin was making or had made a contract at the highest rate of compensation ever paid an actor. She wanted me to see why Mr. Chaplin should receive more pay than she did." Miss Pickford denies that she engaged Mrs. Wilkening to represent her.

Of "The Better 'Ole" (to be produced in Melbourne by H. D. McIntosh) Bairnsfather says himself:—"Slowly and unconsciously my drawings grew in number, and out of the pain and turmoil bits of paper arrived in a London newspaper office, and were published, and slowly out in mud-soaked Flanders, in an atmosphere of concentrated hate and cruelty, Old Bill emerged triumphant as the exponent of the finest philosophy in life—the philosophy of cheerfulness and undaunted courage. But it would not have been possible for me to draw one single picture, or part of a picture, had I not shared with others that elementary first-line trench."

WELLINGTON NOTES.

(By "Lorgnette.")

WELLINGTON, February 20.

There is nothing that soothes the soul and steadies the jangled nerves so well and so surely as the beautiful song literature sung by a really gifted singer. This was demonstrated at the first recital of Mdlle. Antonia Dolores at the Grand Opera House on Saturday evening. The audience—a large one—followed the singing of the famous French prima donna with all the rapt attention and splendid appreciation that used to be given in the old days before the detestable Huns tore at the heart of the world and its civilisation. Mdlle. Dolores' programmes for her present tour of the Dominion are like those of the days that are gone, presenting the sweetest of the songs of the old English writers, the folk songs of France, excerpts from the best of the old operas, and the most modern songs from the pens of the most representative writers of all countries. The enthusiasm for Mdlle. Dolores at Saturday night's recital was quite extraordinary, but then the gifted French vocalist is easily the most popular concert singer that has yet appeared in New Zealand. A lot of wise ones shook their heads when they heard that Mdlle. Dolores was going to visit us again. "She'll lose money," they said; "times are so bad." But the wise ones were wrong once again. The Dolores recital of Saturday evening was amongst the most financially successful ever given by this singer in New Zealand.

After a whole lot of cabling between Sydney and Wellington, the J. C. Williamson management at the last minute decided to curtail the Wellington season of the "Business Before Pleasure" Company to one week, so as to fill in dates already booked in Dunedin. It is now decided that the company will play a return season, opening at the Grand Opera House on Wednesday, March 12, with "Friendly Enemies," to be followed by a revival of "Potash and Perlmutter."

Owing to the dislocation of the J. C. Williamson business, through the epidemic and labour troubles, Wellington theatregoers are to enjoy a return season of the J.C.W. New English Musical Comedy Company. The season will open on April 5 and the repertoire will include revivals of "Going Up," "The Pink Lady," "Canary Cottage," and possibly a couple of new pieces.

MUSIC NOTES.

(By "G" String.)

Mdlle. Antonia Dolores, the celebrated French soprano, opened a tour at the Wellington Grand Opera House last Saturday evening. Notwithstanding she had a hurried journey from Sydney to Wellington, via Auckland, the brilliant vocalist was in great form, and the applause which greeted each item in her extensive repertoire must have had a gratifying effect upon the feelings of this famous singer. At the present time she is singing at her very best, and music lovers throughout the Dominion are in for a rare treat.

A suggestion has been made in England by Dr. H. P. Allen as to the possibility of reformed barrel organs. That idea should meet with universal approval, for the barrel organ is usually an instrument of torture, and has been regarded by many as a distinct nuisance in the streets. There are barrel organs in every city and town of importance right throughout the world, and doubtless the mellifluous airs produced from them have frequently been the cause of outbursts among those who have work that requires a little bit of thinking to do. The barrel organ is worshipped by many a boy and girl whose musical ideas are crude, but as they grow older, their souls aspire to something better, and they gradually become haters of barrel organs. A reformed instrument is wanted, one that would be capable of turning out music that would stimulate the youngsters' desire to plunge deeply into the arts. Having regard to the educative possibilities of the street barrel organ, it might be wise to create a fund for the distribution, among the persons whose tendencies lay in the direction of turning a handle in the streets, of organs of the best and most improved type. But the best organ in the world would not be welcomed by the man who is reckoning up a column of figures. With regard to monkeys, which are usually seen with this class of instrument, there should be no difficulty in obtaining a supply.

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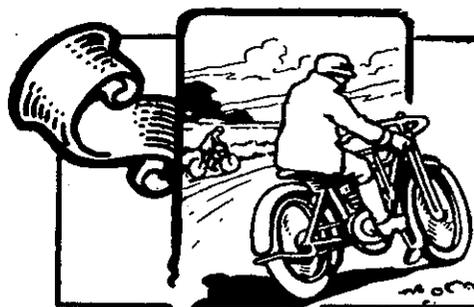
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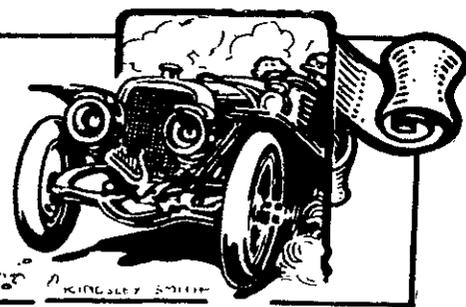
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Photographs of private motorists in their cars, snapshots taken while on tour, or accounts of motoring trips and other items of interest to car-owners, will be inserted in these columns if posted to "New Zealand Sporting and Dramatic Review," P.O.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

Several impudent cases of bicycle stealing have been reported in Wanganui.

The Canterbury Automobile Association is to contribute £800 towards the cost of the ferro-concrete bridge at Selwyn. If the half cost of the bridge amounts to less than £9000, the association's contribution will be reduced in proportion.

Messrs. Souter and Tuffin, of Palmerston North, had the misfortune to lose a new motor car one evening recently under peculiar circumstances. While travelling slowly down the Wangaeahu hill the electric lights failed to light up properly, and the car was stopped at the bottom of the hill. While the driver was making an investigation the engine by some means or other back-fired, and the car was totally destroyed. The machine was insured for £385.

Among those who have rendered worthy service in Auckland during the war period is Mr. A. A. Martin, Volunteer Motor Officer, whose portrait is reproduced herewith. Mr. Martin was quick to recognise the deserving assistance that could be given to returned sick and wounded soldiers upon their arrival in the Dominion after service abroad by placing motor cars at their disposal for the purpose of conveying them to the hospital and to their homes without delay and with the maximum of comfort. He immediately set to work to organise a voluntary motor corps of private car owners to give effect to his proposal, and some idea of the wide measure of success which has attended his commendable efforts in this direction is to be found in the fact that for over three years he has met every draft of returned men that has reached Auckland both by train and steamer. He commenced his worthy project with a complement of ten cars, and by thorough organisation and keen devotion to his self-imposed task has increased that number to 100 cars, thus enabling the largest drafts of wounded men to be handled with the utmost despatch. Returned men speak in glowing terms of appreciation of Mr. Martin's kind consideration and thoughtfulness in voluntarily taking up this humane work, and so affording them every facility for reaching their various destinations in comfort following their arrival by train or steamer at any time of the day or night. As may be readily imagined, Mr. Martin's work has incurred no small sacrifice, both to himself and to those motorists who have come forward in response to his constant appeals for more and more cars, but, being solely actuated in his efforts by a desire to do honour to the brave lads who have risked everything in their fight for liberty and justice, Mr. Martin has taken a keen pride in his self-allotted task and has earned the everlasting gratitude of soldiers of all ranks and their relatives. He anticipates a very busy time in the future in view of the large number of transports due to arrive during the next few months, and the time if therefore opportune to impress upon all car owners the vital need for their unselfish assistance in a work of supreme importance, as it will be necessary to further augment the ranks of willing car owners in order to cope with the large drafts of soldiers which are expected to return from now onwards at regular intervals. The present members of Mr. Martin's volunteer motorists' organisation have rendered useful service to the drafts of returned men arriving by the Main Trunk trains on Sunday mornings, when no trams or suburban trains are running, while during the recent epidemic the organisation was able to afford invaluable aid both to sufferers and those engaged in checking the deadly disease. Mr. A. A. Martin is also honorary secretary of the New Zealand Branch of the British Red Cross Society, having held that office since its inception.

American airmen have chosen the word "airnats" as their name, an abbreviation of "aeronauts."

The Queen's Drive at Musselburgh, once one of the finest highways in and about Dunedin, is now rapidly becoming one of the worst, complains the Otago "Daily Times." The road is liberally marked with deep pot holes, and the St. Kilda Council is taking absolutely no steps to bring it back to its former fine state. The fact that the road is being "starved" as regards maintenance is generally remarked on by those residents of the borough who used to point with pride to its one-time excellent surface.

A trio who visited Wanganui recently had an experience they are not likely to forget, says the Wanganui "Chronicle." Their business in the town completed, they set out for their homes in Palmerston late in the afternoon. Their motor flew

is one of the largest and calmest bays of New Zealand. It is situated in a fine weather zone, and is noted for its fine weather and absence from strong winds. It would be an ideal base for crossing the Strait, as it is sheltered from the south-east winds and treacherous willy-waws that are so prevalent on the coast adjoining Cook Strait. There is also plenty of flat land available. Sir James Allen, in the course of his reply, stated that as Colonel Bettington was coming out to New Zealand with the object of furnishing a report to the Government on matters relating to aviation in this country, he should be glad to see that Mr. Field's letter was noted for reference when the matter was under consideration. Mr. Field is also urging that Admiral Jellicoe should visit Nelson to see if it was suitable as a submarine base.

At the last meeting of the Canterbury Automobile Association, a let-

motor importers, who, in December last, sent cabled inquiries to a British motor manufacturing company, and to an American motor house, asking the conditions under which each would respectively supply certain cars and suitable spares. In 24 hours a cabled reply was received from the American house offering 5000 dollars' worth of spares upon consignment. The British house took 14 days to reply to the effect that cars and spares could only be supplied on cash payment in London prior to shipment, and demanding to know the minimum number of cars required. In another case an engineering firm instanced a cable quotation at an advance of 160 per cent. received from a British engineering firm for certain engines similar to engines delivered in 1915. The importer found he had to compete against an American engine quoted at 33 1-3 per cent. less than the British engine. The sentiment in New Zealand undoubtedly was to favour goods of British manufacture as against other imported goods, but the fact cannot be ignored that price was generally the determining factor.

The Christchurch City Council's Finance Committee recommended to the Council the other evening that a grant of £50 be made to the St. John Ambulance Association, to be expended in providing the free use of the ambulance for necessitous cases within the city; the payment not to be made until after the close of the current financial year, in order that it may be provided for in next year's Estimates. The recommendation was adopted after an amendment that the amount should be increased to £100 had been defeated.

Mr. G. W. Banks, of Wellington, has been advised that his son, Frank, was killed in an aeroplane accident on January 23, at Dayton, Ohio. Deceased left New Zealand in 1910, going first to England, and then to the United States, ultimately settling at Hibbing, Minnesota. Enlisting in the American Royal Military Aviation Corps, he received his commission. When the armistice was signed he was appointed to conduct a series of exhibition flights from Arkansas to Dayton, Ohio, pending his discharge from service. He intended to visit New Zealand as soon as he was released from service.

A Napier motorist whilst coming towards town via the Breakwater Road had a narrow escape from a serious accident one afternoon last week. As he was rounding the bend between the Breakwater and Coote Road a boulder from the cliff above suddenly crashed right through the hood of the motor car, narrowly missing the driver.

No trace has been found of a motor car that was stolen from the Riccarton racecourse the other day. The car, which belonged to Mr. T. Mercer, of Christchurch, was a Ford five seater. Mr. Mercer had the switch key in his pocket while absent from the car, and consequently he was greatly surprised to find that it had disappeared. The tracks showed that it had been driven south from the racecourse.

Reporting to a meeting of the council of the Canterbury Automobile Association, the Transport and Soldiers' Car Committee reported that during the month of January the soldiers' car had made 20 trips, carrying 159 men, and covering 886 miles. The committee, as the result of a recent meeting of motorists, was now in a better position as regards arrangements for meeting returned soldiers, and the committee was also making arrangements for country members to come into town with their cars to take-home those living in their districts, thus relieving the city members from that work.

CHILDREN'S RESTLESSNESS.

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along in fine style till the Turakina hill was reached. There it came to a stop, and not all the combined mechanical knowledge which the passengers had imbibed in Wanganui during the day could induce the car to go either forward or backward. After evening had fallen on the quiet scene, the party telephoned for relief, and the broken down car was towed back to Wanganui. Arrived there, a motor mender got to work, but when—just on midnight—he found that something was still wrong with the works, he declared in language as polite as the circumstances warranted, that he would work no more till next day. The party, who had waited patiently for the car, had no option but to seek hotel accommodation. However, Desert Gold and Gloaming were too much for them, the hotels being full of visitors waiting to go to Hawera in the morning. Being quiet, retiring mortals, they did not worry friends or inquire for a bed in a printing house. Instead, like many others less favoured than themselves, they sought the pine mattress solitude of Queen's Park, and there they slumbered till day-break.

In the opinion of Mr. T. A. H. Field, M.P., Nelson possesses advantages as a seaplane and aeroplane base. Writing on the subject to the Minister of Defence, he said Nelson is at the head of Tasman Bay, which

ter was received from the Minister of Internal Affairs in reply to a resolution from the association regarding new motor legislation, to the effect that he intended to bring down a Motor Bill at the first opportunity, and that he would submit it to the New Zealand Automobile Union and its affiliated associations for any remarks and suggestions they might desire to make.

The Canterbury Automobile Association claims a membership far in excess of any other association of its kind in Australasia. The total is now over 1150, no fewer than 222 new members having been elected in the last four months.

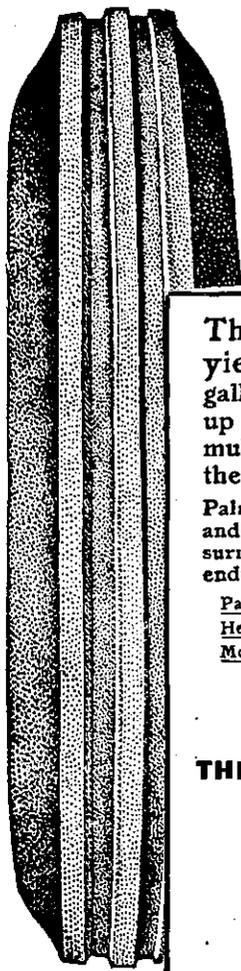
In his address at the annual meeting of the Wellington branch of the New Zealand Association of British Manufacturers and Agents, the president (Mr. James Macintosh), after pointing to statistics of the trade of New Zealand, said British manufacturers apparently failed to appreciate the efforts that were being made to organise and retain that trade in the Dominion. An instance was quoted at a meeting of a firm of

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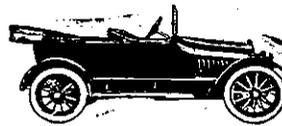
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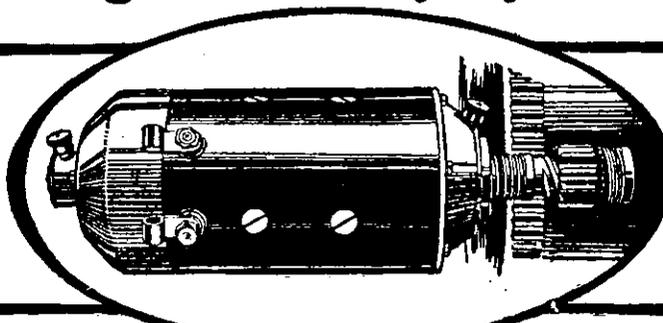
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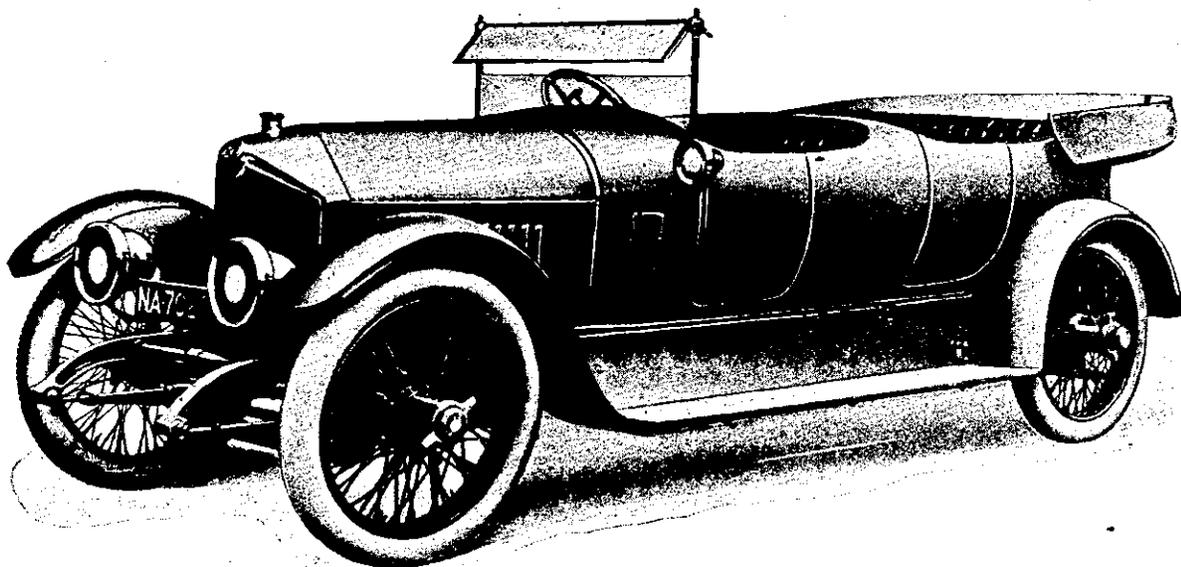
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A novel event at the Christchurch motor carnival was the five-mile race between L. Mercer, of the Canterbury Aviation Company, in a 100 h.p. Caudron biplane, and the winner of the Heavyweight Australasian Championship, R. Crawley, on his 7 h.p. Harley-Davidson. The aeroplane gained a slight lead in the flying start, but the motor cycle gradually crept up and passed the post a winner, doing the five miles in 4min. 45sec., the plane being clocked in two seconds later. The winner was decorated with the blue riband by Mr. E. E. Daniels and presented with the prize, a purse of sovereigns.

At a meeting of the Otago Motor Club feeling reference was made by the president (Mr. Ansell) to the loss motoring had sustained through the death of Corporal H. Fancourt, the first honorary secretary of the old Motor Cycle Club. Corporal Fancourt had served on Gallipoli and in France, and had returned to New Zealand, meeting his death recently as the result of a motor accident in the North Island. Mr. Wright referred to the sad death of Mr. Hill the instructor at the Sockburn Aviation School. Motions of sympathy with the relatives of the two deceased were carried in the usual manner.

The question of carrying next-of-kin came up at a meeting of the Wellington Motor Corps, the opinion being expressed that more, and not better, supervision was what was required. The passengers were not put in by an officer of the corps or a military officer, because there were not enough officers to attend to that particular part of the work; they simply clambered in. Mr. J. Smith suggested that no car should carry more than it had seating accommodation for. "It is no good to me," said another member. "On one trip I carried nine passengers, with the springs of my car turned up the wrong way by the weight." Mr. C. S. Brice suggested that if the soldiers and the public generally understood that the corps was a voluntary body more consideration would be shown. The Mayor stated that Captain Pictor had each time informed the men that the corps was such a body, but there were always some who would take advantage. Finally the meeting decided that not more than three next-of-kin to each soldier would be carried.

Good roads are a feature of the American cities, according to Mr. J. W. Marchbanks, engineer of the Wellington Harbour Board. Mr. Marchbanks paid attention to this subject during his recent visit to the United States, and he was much impressed by the efforts the Americans have made to create roads that will carry heavy traffic with a maximum of ease and a minimum of wear and tear. The best American roads, says Mr. Marchbanks, appear to have a concrete base, carefully laid down, with a covering of three inches of asphalt. Natural asphalt, or bitumen, is used, and not tar. In some cases the base is put down in two coats, with a fine wearing surface on top. The wearing surface was sometimes of asphaltic concrete, two or three inches thick, with a base of concrete. The asphalt wearing surface is the smoother and gives the finer appearance, but the asphaltic concrete gives the better grip for horses and motors. The smooth and fast concrete roads are not without their disadvantages. They are slippery in wet and frosty weather, and the municipal authorities in the American cities find it necessary to put down sand at such times. The roads have to be kept very clean. Some of the cities have used vitrified brick for their roads. This material, says Mr. Marchbanks, gives very good results. At Seattle he saw some pavement of vitrified brick said to have been put down 20 years ago and still in fairly good order. He saw at Buffalo asphalt that had been down for 20 years. The city of Buffalo has 280 miles of asphalt roads, 27 miles of stone set roads, 45 miles of other good roads, and only 14 miles of macadam. The macadam road, in fact, is regarded there as a poor road. Nearly all the American towns have now a proportion of asphalt streets.

Few people probably give a thought to the important and vital part the automobile and bicycle played in the great war. Without them victory would not be ours to-day, for Verdun would have fallen—Paris would have been in the hands of the Huns in 1914, and then—well, they did not fall because of the wonderful motor transport work that enabled reinforcements and supplies to be carried speedily to vital points of defence and offence. Motors saved the day. Going back some years, to 1888 in fact, we find that the bicycle of to-day—and the motor of to-day—owe their development and efficiency to the birth and invention of the Dunlop pneumatic tyre; in fact, Dunlop tyres made cycling and motoring possible. Recognition of this fact therefore brings home what the world to-day owes J. B. Dunlop. His principle of using the buoyancy of compressed air for absorption of vibration serves millions of motorists and cyclists the world over, and it helped in no small way in giving us the greatest victory known in the annals of the world. The history of Dunlop tyres has been a remarkable one. First in 1888, they have been foremost ever since, and during that period have conferred inestimable benefits on the world in general. To motorists and cyclists in particular they have rendered marked service in making motoring and cycling popular, pleasant and profitable.

In discussing motor cycle side-car design, and having an eye to the future enormously increased demand for motor cycle combinations, it is as well to remember that although

the side-car has been very materially improved, there remain one or two features which still require further attention on the part of designers and builders. One of them is the springing and another the means of connecting the car to the cycle. The first of these is, with few exceptions, by no means as satisfactory as it should be and efforts should be made to remove this stigma from an otherwise greatly better style of vehicle. The spring system of motor cycle and the side-car should be such that not only the main road shocks are damped out, but the irritating vibration set up when striking smaller surface irregularities and "corrugations" as well. Then as regards the couplings, it would be an improvement if all loose brackets or clips were dispensed with and nothing but brazed joints used. Such loose fittings make it possible to "adjust" the relative positions of the machine and side-car, but in our view such possibility of adjustment is best done without. If the side-car chassis is stout enough to bear continued strain and the cycle be set truly vertical in the first instance, no need should arise for subsequent tampering with the connections, and the tendency for faddists to set the motor cycle at this or that angle, leaning towards or from the side-car, would be rendered impossible, and one potent source of danger removed. Another point is that which refers to the unsatisfactory behaviour of side-car combinations when driven "light." The wheel has a decided tendency to lift at corners, and careless driving at speed is likely to result in severe damage to rider and machine. It is usually believed that the only way to overcome this tendency is

that of increasing the weight to be carried directly by the wheel. It is difficult to see how this could be done without introducing "unprofitable" load, but it should be possible to minimise the evil by superior design of the chassis as a whole. Attempts were made to improve tyre wear, and incidentally improve the tracking of side-car wheels, some years ago, the wheel in one case being connected to the front wheel of the cycle so that both steered together, whilst in another design the side-car connections were flexible instead of rigid, thus leaving the motor cycle to be balanced by its rider as when riding solo.

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OPERA HOUSE.

One of the best aggregations of vaudeville turns presented for some time holds the attention of Opera House habitués this week. Two new acts of distinction mark the bill. Romaine, a violinist of rare attainments, had an ovation from the whole house for his exquisite playing, his numbers including classical solos and ragtime melodies, disclosing poetic temperament and rhythmic energy. As the "roaming" violinist he kept to his title in appropriate garb, and furnished a note of unconvention. Decidedly out of the ordinary was the act of the Faynes. In full stage Miss Verl Fayne introduced in snatches of song her partner, Syd, who performed some marvellous contortionist feats, concluding by bending backwards, clasping an ankle with each hand, and in that uncomfortable pose dancing to the singing of Miss Fayne. The latter, who in between times made several changes of frocks, also gave a clever imitation of a mouth organ, and helped with her liveliness to build up a crisp act. Miss Ethel Vaughn, an artist of individuality, whose mode of procedure is entirely different to others, gave a breezy little interlude, consisting of coon songs, pointed verse and imitations. Ray and Gray in patter and song proved a diverting couple, while the thrills of the evening were supplied by the Togos in their "slide for life" act. The Al Bruce Revue Company found abundant scope for merry-making in their latest offering, "Lulu," with Miss Mabelle Morgan in the title role. The Rosebuds prouetted gaily through half a dozen tasteful ballets in well-thought-out costumes, giving pleasing support to the various solos and being enthusiastically applauded.

DOLORES ON TOUR AGAIN.

A TRUCE FROM KNITTING!

Mdlle. Antonia Dolores, sweet-voiced singer and woman of ineffable charm, is back again once more in the Dominion after an absence of nearly five years, spending a couple of days in Auckland last week on her way to Wellington, where her present tour opened. The war upsetting her plans for a projected visit to the East, Dolores remained in Australia and retired from professional life, deciding that she would not make use of her art for mercenary purposes during the war. So for three and a-half years her only appearances in public have been made for the cause of patriotism, her energies being devoted mainly to giving concerts throughout Australia in aid of the Red Cross funds. By her efforts a large sum was obtained, but Dolores modestly disclaims any praise in this direction. In her spare time she has knitted socks for soldiers, until the clicking of the needles has become an accustomed accompaniment.

On the signing of the armistice Mdlle. Dolores started once more on her own concert work, and enjoyed triumphal seasons at Hobart (the starting point), Queensland and Sydney. The influenza scourge necessitating the closing of theatres, concerts which had been arranged for her in the Sydney Town Hall this month had to be cancelled. Hence an earlier visit to New Zealand than was intended.

"For the time being," says Dolores, "everything in Australia is dead regarding amusement, and concert and theatrical organisations are making a rush to get over to the Dominion without delay."

The final performance of "Nothing but the Truth" with Mr. M. B. Figman in the leading role was given at His Majesty's Theatre on Saturday night, a large audience showing keen appreciation of an outstanding comedy and an outstanding comedian. Mr. Figman can imply so much in a gesture alone, and his achievement with words makes his art a sheer delight. Auckland playgoers are hoping to see him shortly in another of his big successes, "The Man on the Box."

AMERICA'S THE LIFE!

E. J. TAIT'S IMPRESSIONS.

Mr. E. J. Tait, of the Australian firm of entrepreneurs, sends a newsy line from New York. He writes:—

"I really cannot describe New York adequately, but when one walks out in the street you seem to see nothing but men with overcoats—some with fur collars—millions of 'little women'; and on Broadway everybody seems to be acting—at least, their 'make-up' makes you think so. It is like one vast stage, and had William Shakespeare lived in this age I can well imagine him having written that famous quotation 'All the World's a Stage, etc.' after having traversed Broadway. Up to the present we (Mr. Harald Bowden is with him) have seen over fifty shows in three months. Just think of it! Doesn't it seem incredulous? The most famous of these are 'Jack o' Lantern' and 'Polly With a Past,' both in Chicago after a year in New York; 'Lightnin,' a wonderful comedy by Winchell Smith and Frank Bacon, which has been running for over five months, and is one of the big hits of the year; 'Daddies,' a typical Belasco show, wonderfully cast, and a great production; 'Three Wise Fools,' a play by Austin Strong, which has been fathered by that wonderful play doctor, Mr. Winchell Smith (this is rather unique for a new management like Smith and Golden—who sprang into fame with their production of 'Turn to the Right'—to have two big Broadway successes running in 'Lightnin' and 'Three Wise Fools'); 'Friendly Enemies,' a comedy-drama, which is still running here after three months, although the ending of the war makes war plays rather risky. We have seen many failures, and few outstanding successes. Just now there are many new productions striking Broadway, and I will write you later on regarding their success or otherwise.

THE ZIEGFELD FOLLIES.

The Ziegfeld Follies had their usual enormous financial success in New York City, and the receipts on tour are simply enormous. This Ziegfeld show, to my mind, is the greatest I have ever seen, and they seem to do better every year. Naturally Ziegfeld has his detractors, and I must quote what the opposition paper said of him just three weeks ago on the occasion of his having gone out of his own line of picking the most beautiful women in America for his shows, to produce an English comedy drama "By Pigeon Post." The "New York Revue" offered the following remarks, "Ziegfeld may know all about chickens, but when it comes to pigeons—Oh, fie!" The finale is not exactly verbatim, but it meant that it was a pity Ziegfeld did not stick to Follies shows, which are made up principally of very young and very beautiful girls. I had the pleasure of attending several rehearsals of the new Midnight Frolic, which is a different attraction to his Follies. Last night Mr. and Mrs. Harald Bowden and myself were Mr. Ziegfeld's guests, attended by Mr. David Stamper (who wrote all the music for the shows) and, believe me, it is a wonderful sight atop the New Amsterdam Theatre. We sat out the two shows—9 p.m. and midnight. Mr. Stamper, I am glad to say, has consented to come out to Australia under our management, and I am hoping to give Australia a show nearly as good as Ziegfeld.

COSTLY CABARETS.

Some of these are wonderful. The costuming is exquisite. We are greatly handicapped in Australia, as we cannot buy the materials out there, and even if we could, the people would not pay the prices to see the shows. Can you imagine, I saw the Palais Royal show the night before Mrs. Tait left for Australia, and our dinner bill alone (without wines and extras) totalled up to 18dol. (about £3 15s.) Naturally a manager cannot afford to spend £20,000 on a show when one has to consider the enormous rail fares and

freights, added to our limited population of theatrical public.

A PROMISE OF THE FUTURE.

Guy Bates Post is still playing in New York City in "The Masquerader," and I am hoping that the time is not far distant when this wonderful actor will return to Australia and New Zealand, in Tait theatres. Our office here in New York seems to be the happy hunting ground of all Australians, or anyone who has been in Australia, and nearly everyone is anxious to return. We must average fully 20 callers a day, all talking Australia. Our 'phone bill is enormous. Up to a few days ago it was 10 cents (5d.) a call, but now it has been reduced to 2½d. (5 cents) per call.

HARRY LAUDER

Harry Lauder has just finished a phenomenal season in New York. I went twice, and the house, which holds over 3500, was sold right out on every occasion. He opens in Australia at Easter, and we are now busy arranging his support. We will endeavour to give Australia and New Zealand something out of the ordinary as regards this wonderful artist's supporting programme.

Glad to say we are both strong and hearty, and so far this big city has not got us down. The favourite saying in America is "It's a great life if you don't weaken." If you do weaken in this city it is—"Good Night!"



MR. HARRY DEARTH as Kin Foo in "Shanghai" at Drury Lane Theatre, the musical play in which Miss Dorothy Brunton made her London debut.

[Photo., Bassano.]

The outbreak of influenza in Australia has caused an influx of J. C. Williamson attractions over here. The Musical Comedy Company, playing "Going Up," "Oh! Boy," and "The Three Twins," are in Dunedin; "Business Before Pleasure" is also in the South Island, and the M. B. Figman "Nothing But the Truth" Company are making for Wellington. The super-film "Hearts of the World" is another Williamson venture that is in the Dominion at present.

The "I Will Still Love You" favourites, Maude Courtney and Mr. C., are due at the Opera House next Monday.

During her short stay in Auckland Mdlle. Dolores and her friend, Madame Zelle Baudour, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Bennett, Parnell.

Miss Marie Ney, who was leading lady with Allan Wilkie's Company, plays the heroine in Beaumont Smith's racing film "Desert Gold."

Miss Maude Fane leaves for America shortly to try her luck in the States.

J. and N. Tait's "De Luxe Annie" registered its one hundredth Sydney performance on January 21.

Frank Neil and Maurice Tuohy were in the cast of Fuller's "Bluebeard" pantomime at the Newtown (Sydney) Majestic.

The late Harold Lockwood, Metro film star, left an estate of 45,000dol. (£9000).

Mr. E. Pirie Bush, the Wellington boy who made his theatrical mark with Fred Niblo, has in "Nothing But the Truth" one of those ingenuous roles to which he can adapt himself with such naivety and correctness as to always secure a laugh.

A recent issue of the New York "Times" traces interestingly the growth of the J. and N. Tait firm under the heading of "Australia and the Tait's," prefacing the article with a comment on the increasing tendency of the Australian theatre to rely upon America rather than England for its dramatic fare—albeit the Australian theatrical taste is in many respects akin to that of England.

Miss Lolita Robertson (Mrs. Figman) numbers among her hats one of historic interest. It belonged to an Italian bersagliero (sharpshooters) and was given her by the mother of an Italian soldier long before the great war. With its bunch of dark green plumes of cock's feathers it makes just the smartest thing in chapeaux.

Mr. Claude Flemming has been engaged to play a principal part in "My Lady Frayle," the musical comedy to be staged at the Tivoli, Sydney, as soon as the influenza ban is lifted. Mr. Flemming is perhaps best known to Australians as the producer of "The Lure of the Bush," the "Snowy" Baker picture. He has, however, enjoyed a varied career on the stage and in the motion picture field.

Mr. Bert Clark, who was in Australia eight years ago with a star vaudeville act coupled with Hamilton, has come over from America as principal comedian for H. D. McIntosh in "My Lady Frayle."

Miss Mabelle Morgan, whose personality and alluring contour add materially to the success of the Al Bruce revues, was last in New Zealand some seven and a-half years ago, when she was principal boy in the J. C. Williamson pantomime "Jack and the Beanstalk." Miss Morgan had figured twice previously for the firm in that capacity in "Mother Goose" and "Humpty Dumpty." Since her last visit here the handsome Australian has spent most of her time in America, with alternate engagements in London, and has done everything, she says, from grand opera to burlesque work, including a season in drama, when she played the lead in "The Yellow Ticket." Returning to Australia on America's entry into the war, Miss Morgan had a starring engagement under the Hugh D. McIntosh banner, subsequently joining the Fullers, her versatility and experience making her a valuable asset to a firm of such wide ramifications. "But pantomimes are my special weakness," she confesses.

Mr. M. B. Figman looks for no extravagant publicity puffing to aid him. On his first presentation in America of "The Man on the Box" (which he will present in Wellington shortly), he took the wind out of the sails of his enterprising agent by writing him as follows: "In exploiting my appearance throughout the country in "The Man on the Box," I wish you would confine yourself to legitimate facts and avoid sensation as much as possible . . . I most certainly veto your suggestion to drive through the streets of Denver in the livery of a coachman with my leading lady in the carriage at a breakneck speed. To begin with, the idea is absurd. I am thoroughly satisfied to wear that livery as a theatrical costume, but most certainly under no other circumstances; such a procedure as you suggest would no doubt lead to my arrest and a lot of newspaper notoriety, but I don't want it at any price; much less at such a cost. I will impersonate Harold McGrath's hero in "The Man on the Box" on the stage but nowhere else."

Miss Marie Tempest concluded a memorable season in Johannesburg with a production of "The Duke of Killicrankie," which proved one of the most enjoyable in the repertoire.

For the benefit of those who have not yet tried their hand at farce making, here is an old and proved recipe, writes "Playful Stallite" of "London Opinion," commenting on "You Never Know, Y' Know." Take two or more husbands (fresh), add wives (varied); souce in alcohol, stuff with chestnuts, simmer in stock situations, and stir violently. Serve as hot as possible.



MR. HARRY CLAFF as Wong Ho, a picturesque character in "Shanghai," at Drury Lane Theatre. [Photo., Bassano.]

"Believe me," said Mr. Harold Gregson, who judged the vocal and musical classes at the Wellington competitions, "the music of Bach and Beethoven was intended to be played with expression, just as is that of modern masters. I can well imagine, should those great composers appear on some present-day concert platform, many musicians lifting their hands in horror, and exclaiming, 'How untraditional. What liberties they take with their music!'"

Murfayne, the xylophone peer, will play a short return season at the Opera House next week.

Mr. Frank Harvey is afraid that his performance of Stephen Ghent in "The Great Divide", in which he is to appear in Melbourne with Miss Muriel Starr when the theatres reopen, will make him unpopular with the ladies. Stephen Ghent is a rough miner—a denizen of the primitive Arizona Desert, who, with a couple of mates slightly the worse for liquor, enters upon the privacy of a young girl who has been left alone in her cabin. Circumstances compel her to go with Ghent to save herself from the other two. He is not much better than the others, and though he does his best towards the girl, he is a somewhat questionable character. Frank Harvey confesses that he likes the heroic roles of a higher type of life, but he admits that the dramatic opportunities in his role of Stephen Ghent are greater than in any part he has played for a long time.

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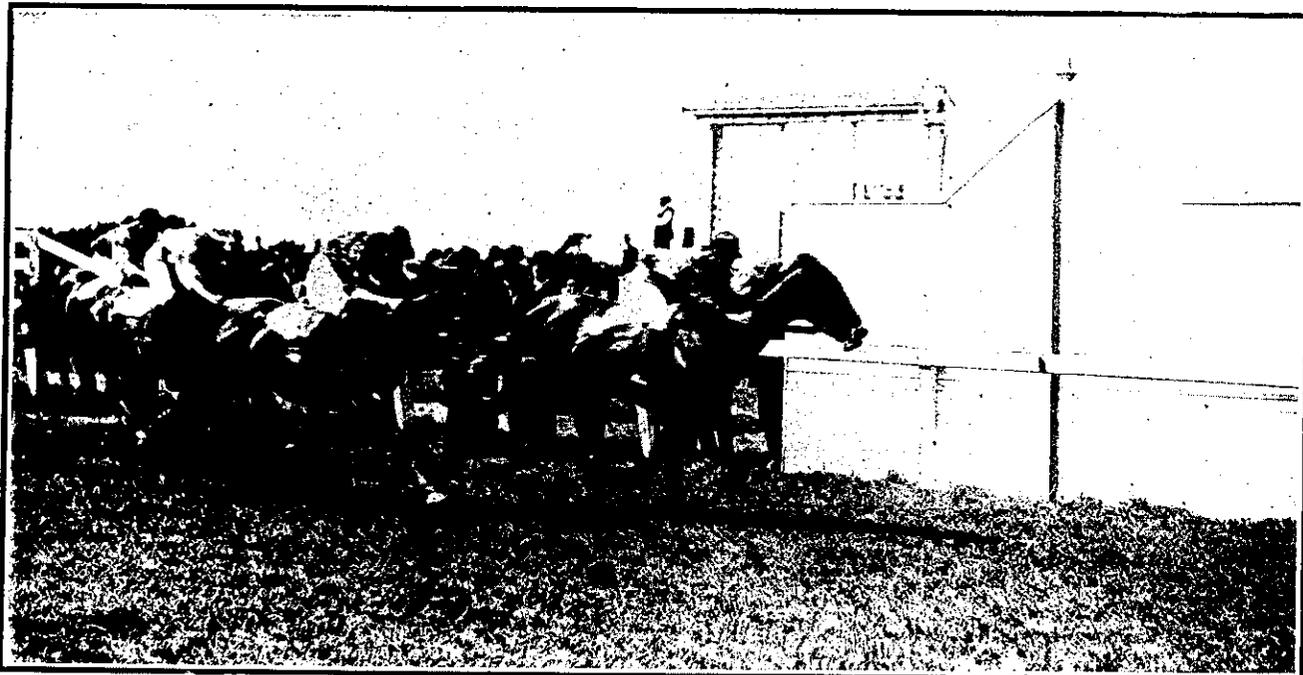
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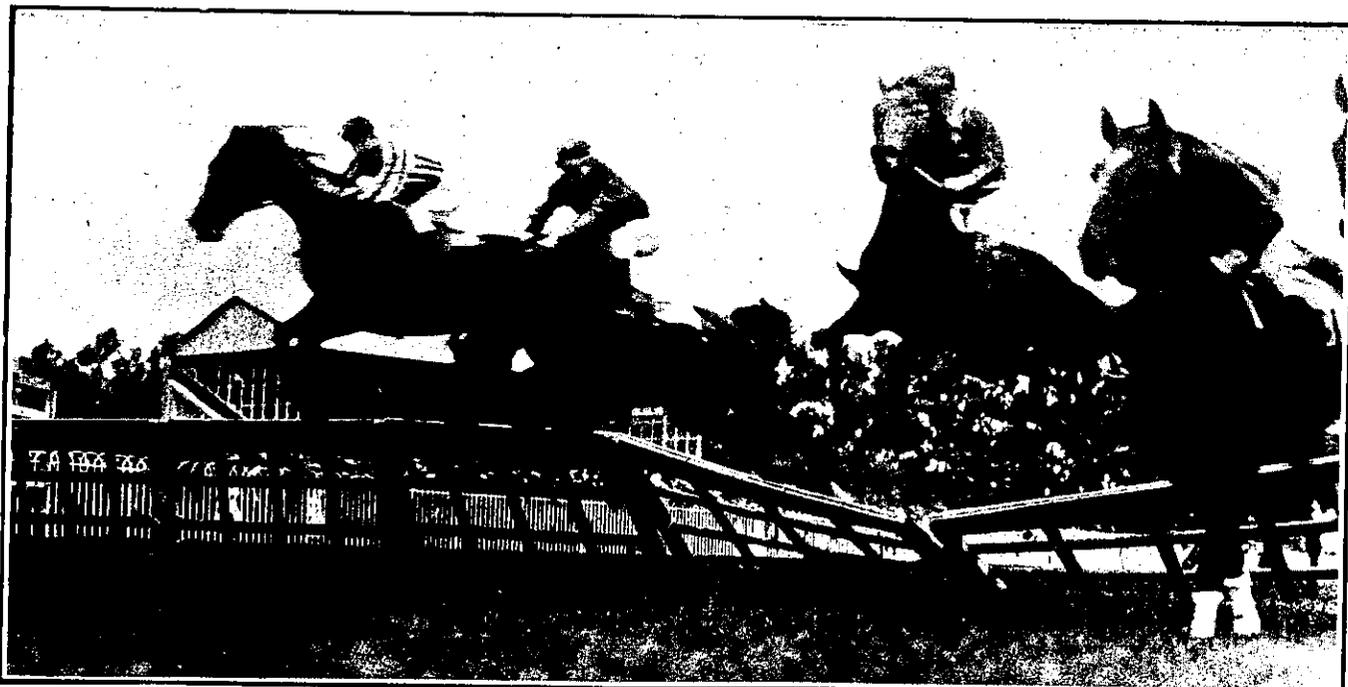
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Mrs. W. H. Parkes, who recently returned from England, is staying at Mon Desir, Takapuna.

At St. John's Church, Latimer Square, Christchurch, on February 11, the marriage was celebrated of Miss Rose Dorothy Field, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Field, of Kaituna, to Mr. John Trevor Robertson, formerly of Edinburgh, and now of Wellington.

Mrs. R. L. D. Kidston and her daughter, and Miss Haybittle, have returned to Wellington from Sydney.

General Pau and Madame Melba had a great welcome on arriving at Vancouver.

Major Sir Robert Walker and Lady Walker are visiting the Hermitage, Mount Cook.

Mrs. Vivian Riddiford, Wellington, and her children are on a visit to Mrs. Thorne-George, St. Stephen's road, Parnell.

Miss Hilda Miles, Wellington, is leaving for a trip to Vancouver.

The engagement is announced in an exchange of Lieutenant Mark Caselberg, youngest son of Mr. M. Caselberg, to Miss Marie Ziman, eldest daughter of Mr. David Ziman, of Reefton.

Mrs. J. Franks, of Yaldhurst, Canterbury, who is in her seventy-ninth year, has been working for the Red Cross since January, 1915, and has completed 400 pairs of socks for soldiers.

Mrs. Henry Brett, of Auckland, is on a visit to Christchurch.

Mr. and Mrs. Colin Macdonald, Auckland, are the guests of Mrs. Cyril Ward, Merivale, Christchurch.

Advice by cable from Melbourne announces the engagement of Miss Dulce Metz, Christchurch, to Mr. Russell Joseph, of Melbourne.

At the Church of the Sacred Heart, Petone, Mr. Thomas O'Neill, son of Mr. F. O'Neill, of Glenham, Southland, was married to Miss Cecilia Levey, tenth daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Levey, of Plunket Avenue, Petone.

Miss Zaidee Nathan, Wellington, has left on a visit to England.

Miss Fraser, daughter of Sir William Fraser, leaves by the Makura for Vancouver.

The Auckland Education Board has granted permission to a Morrinsville teacher, Miss M. Harper, to exchange with a Canadian teacher, subject to the approval of the Chief Inspector.

Mrs. J. R. Gibbons has been approached by two large societies in Wellington, and asked to allow herself to be nominated for the Wellington City Council, and she has consented to accept nomination. A woman councillor has never yet been elected in Wellington, but Auckland at present has two, Miss Melville, a solicitor, and head of the Auckland Civic League, and Mrs. McGuire, wife of the medical superintendent of the Auckland Hospital; Christchurch has one, Mrs. Ada Wells.

Dr. Gladys Montgomery, formerly of Papatoetoe, has been appointed honorary anaesthetist at the Auckland Hospital.

Miss E. H. Cole, house secretary of the Palmerston North Y.W.C.A. Hostel, was presented with a silver-backed mirror, brush and comb, by the boarders prior to her departure for England. Miss Gebbie succeeds Miss Cole.

Mrs. S. Nathan and her daughter, Mrs. Bickerton Fisher, intend leaving for England shortly.

Twenty-five New Zealand nurses left for Australia last week, under direction of the Public Health Department, to assist in fighting the influenza epidemic. This was in response to a request made by the Australian authorities. The names of the nurses are as follows:—G. Gill, A. Hayward, G. Gardner, V. Montgomery, F. Howatson, W. Hyams, I. Gunn, H. O'Connor, (Mrs.) E. Eccles, J. Burbush, E. Pollard, S. Polden, (Mrs.) M. Tattle, H. Petersen, K. Noble-Campbell, H. Macgregor, E. Rendall, E. McIntosh, A. Knowles, F. McDonald, L. Boardman, A. Ireson-Jones, H. Hall, J. Hogg, C. Colley.

An interesting wedding took place at St. Paul's Cathedral, Melbourne, on January 29, when Surgeon-Lieut. George Wade Sinclair, eldest son of Colonel Eric Sinclair, of Manly, Principal Medical Officer, N.S.W., was married to Miss Grace Bell Groom, youngest daughter of the Hon. Littleton E. Groom, Minister for Works and Railways, and acting-Attorney-General of the Commonwealth, and Mrs. Groom, of Toowoomba, Queensland. The Rev. G. W. Ashton (an old friend of the bride's family), Incumbent of All Saints', St. Kilda, officiated, assisted by the Precentor of the Cathedral, Rev. H. Kelly. The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a beautiful gown of rich ivory duchesse satin, with an overdress of white georgette, embroidered in silver. Each side of the skirt was prettily arranged, and a long court train fell from the shoulders. The veil, reaching to the hem of the dress, of magnificent Venetian lace (kindly lent by Mrs. Norman Brookes, and worn at her wedding), was suspended from a coronet of orange blossoms. A

Miss Lolita Robertson (Mrs. M. B. Figman in private life), who with her husband made many friends in Auckland during their season of "Nothing But the Truth," makes a special study of stage frocking, designing all her own confections, which suit so well the lines of her graceful girlish figure. Her first frock in the Truth crusade play is a brocaded taffetas, patterned in leaf green and violet flowers alternating with a silver stripe, fashioned a la Dresden, revealing a petticoat skirt of ecru lace and bunched up with narrow streamers of violet ribbon velvet. A small drooping hat of violet tulle with a tiny circlet of leaves completed an alluring toilet. The second gown was delicate pink souple satin following the moyenage line, the softly pleated skirt being topped with a pale blue piping with full pouches at the side lined with blue broche. The long sleeves were of pink ninon, a frill of the same outlining the simply-cut corsage. In "The Man on the Box," which Mr. Figman will produce in Wellington in addition to "Nothing But the Truth," Miss Robertson wears a wedding gown that strikes the last note in exquisiteness. Of rich ivory taffetas, it is solidified with a pattern of silver thread worked in entrancing design, and is cut in one piece moulded to the figure and terminating in a fish train. The décollete bodice is caught with a massive cabochon of silver, and the short full sleeves are of heavy beaten silver lace. Another creation she will be wearing as Betty Annesley in a symphony in sapphire blue and emerald green, the tunic top ending in a cascade of dewdrop brilliants, which set off the softness of the befrilled underskirt of georgette.

Mrs. Deans, Christchurch, who is leaving for England, was entertained at a farewell tea by Mrs. Carey Hill, president of the Christchurch Victoria League, last week.

The marriage was celebrated at All Saints' Church, Palmerston North, on February 19, of Miss Noeline Keeling, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Keeling, of Palmerston, and Lieutenant Ernest E. Lewer (M.C.), only son of Mr. E. O. Lewer, of Karori. The bride, who was given away by her uncle, Mr. Hubert Keeling, wore a short gown of Brussels net over shell pink charmeuse, with frills of Limerick lace. A court train of duchess satin lined with shell pink hung from the shoulders. She wore a Juliet cap of Limerick lace and the bridal veil which had been worn by her grandmother. The bridesmaids were Misses Sandy McDonald, Patricia Keeling and Peggy Bagnall. Lieutenant B. J. Jacobs was best man, and Captain Mills (Wellington) groomsman. The bridegroom and his attendant officers were all in uniform. Lieutenant Lewer gained his commission on the field at the battle of the Somme, earned the M.C. at Messines, and was seriously wounded in July, 1917, at Le Basse Ville, and later invalided to New Zealand.



MISS CECILIA MORRIS, M.B.E., of Reefton, who has been a devoted worker in the cause of patriotism during the war years.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Nathan, of Auckland, with their daughters, the Misses Mollie and Joyce Nathan, leave on a visit to England in April.

"If the competitions do nothing else," said Mr. J. F. Montague, judge of elocution at the Wellington competitions, "it fosters a love for the beautiful in poetry and good music. Competitors are compelled to learn the pieces set for them, and, having done so, they remain with them a joy for the rest of their lives. So it is with music. The pieces set for competitors are invariably the best of music, and must have an elevating effect on the young people who have to learn them for all time."

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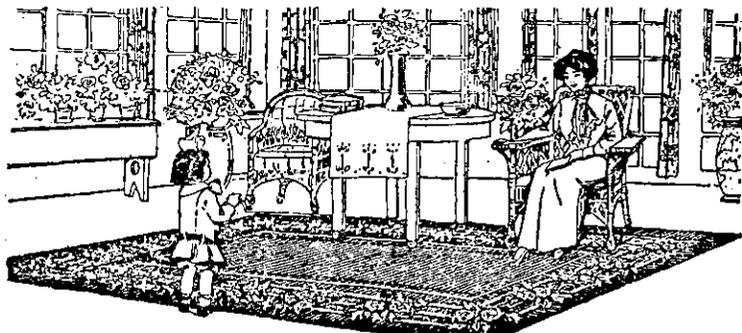
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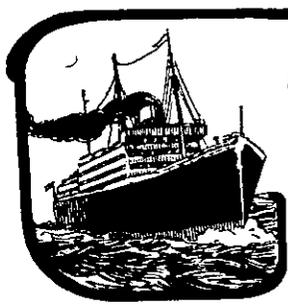
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Mr. and Mrs. Shirtcliffe, Wellington, are leaving for England by the Niagara.

Mr. J. Douglas Perrett, the well-known Auckland artist, has been on a sketching visit to Lake Waikaremoana.

Surgeon-Major W. C. Hartgill (M.C. with bar) and Flight-Major G. Hartgill, of Dannevirke, are on their way back to New Zealand.

Mr. George Hutchison, ex-M.P., of Wellington, leaves shortly on an extended visit to the Old Country, on professional business.

The Hon. A. L. D. Fraser, who lately returned from a health recruiting trip to Australia, died at Hastings on Monday last.

Captain P. V. Storkey, V.C., of Napier, accompanied by his parents and sister, motored to Auckland last week and stayed at the Grand Hotel. Captain Storkey left on Saturday for Sydney.

Mr. Walter Carter, of Tahuma, Nelson, who is one of the foremost diamond drill experts in Australasia, has gone to Karangahake, Upper Thames, to fulfil an important engagement with the Talisman Gold Mining Company.

Mr. James MacDonald, chief accountant of the New Zealand Railways, has been appointed assistant general manager, in succession to Mr. McVilly, recently appointed general manager on the retirement of Mr. Hiley.

Sergeant F. Matthews, formerly private secretary to the Minister of Defence, arrived in Wellington by the Ruapehu.

Mr. W. E. H. Knowles is revisiting Napier after an absence of 30 years. He has been serving as engineer-lieutenant in the Naval Transport Service, and was also engaged on hospital ships and mine-sweepers in the British Channel until his health broke down and he returned to the Dominion.

The Wellington City Engineer (Mr. W. H. Morton) has arranged to leave New Zealand for America and England by the Niagara, sailing about March 28.

Mr. James Milne, Inspector under the Wanganui Education Board, is retiring at the end of next month after a service of 52 years in education work, 21 of these being spent in Scotland, and 31 in the Dominion.

Lieutenant William Grace, at one time a well-known representative footballer, has returned to Wellington. He is still slightly lame as a result of injuries received last year.

Mr. G. Falla, chief engineer on the Navua, died last week. Mr. Falla joined the Union Steamship Company in 1905, and had since been in several of the company's vessels, being promoted chief engineer in 1916, and subsequently joining the Navua as chief. He was 36 years of age.

Cable advice has been received by Mr. D. E. Ivory, of Dunedin, that his son, Lieutenant L. J. Ivory, M.A., LL.B., who left with the Third Reinforcements, has obtained a scholarship at the Oxford University.

Mr. P. H. Upton, general manager of the South British Insurance Company, leaves by the Makura next month on a visit to England. During his absence Mr. F. H. Carr, manager of the Dunedin branch, will be acting-general manager of the company.

Mr. H. D. Robertson, honorary secretary to the British Red Cross League, proposes leaving for a trip to Great Britain, accompanied by Mrs. Robertson. They hope also to visit France and Belgium before returning to Auckland.

Lieutenant Charles Gillespie, M.C., of Masterton, is among a list of officers who recently received their decorations from His Majesty the King at Buckingham Palace.

Admiral Lord Jellicoe will probably arrive in New Zealand on August 18, and will leave about October 1.

Mr. H. Oakley Brown, private secretary to Sir Joseph Ward, recently underwent an operation in Wellington. He expects to resume his duties shortly.

Canterbury contained 4000 square miles more than Belgium, declared Mr. J. A. Frostick to the Parliamentary Industries Committee in Christchurch, and yet Belgium contained seven and a-half million inhabitants. Why should we, he asked, hesitate to push our country ahead because we had not the employment to provide? After the war there would be a great exodus from Britain.

The Hon. A. M. Myers (Minister of Customs) states that the importation of coal from Australia this month will be 50,000 tons. He thinks that the difficulty in regard to coal trucks on the railways has been overcome.

Sir Cecil and Lady Moon, who have been residents of Dunedin for the past two or three years, leave for England by the Ayrshire.

Lance-Corporal George Beaumont Hogan, son of Mr. George Hogan, of Mangawai, has been awarded the Croix de Guerre.

Giving evidence before the Parliamentary Industries Committee, Mr. J. A. Frostick, Efficiency Commissioner for Canterbury, said the statement had been made to the Efficiency Board that if the land of New Zealand were scientifically treated the primary production of this country could be increased three fold.

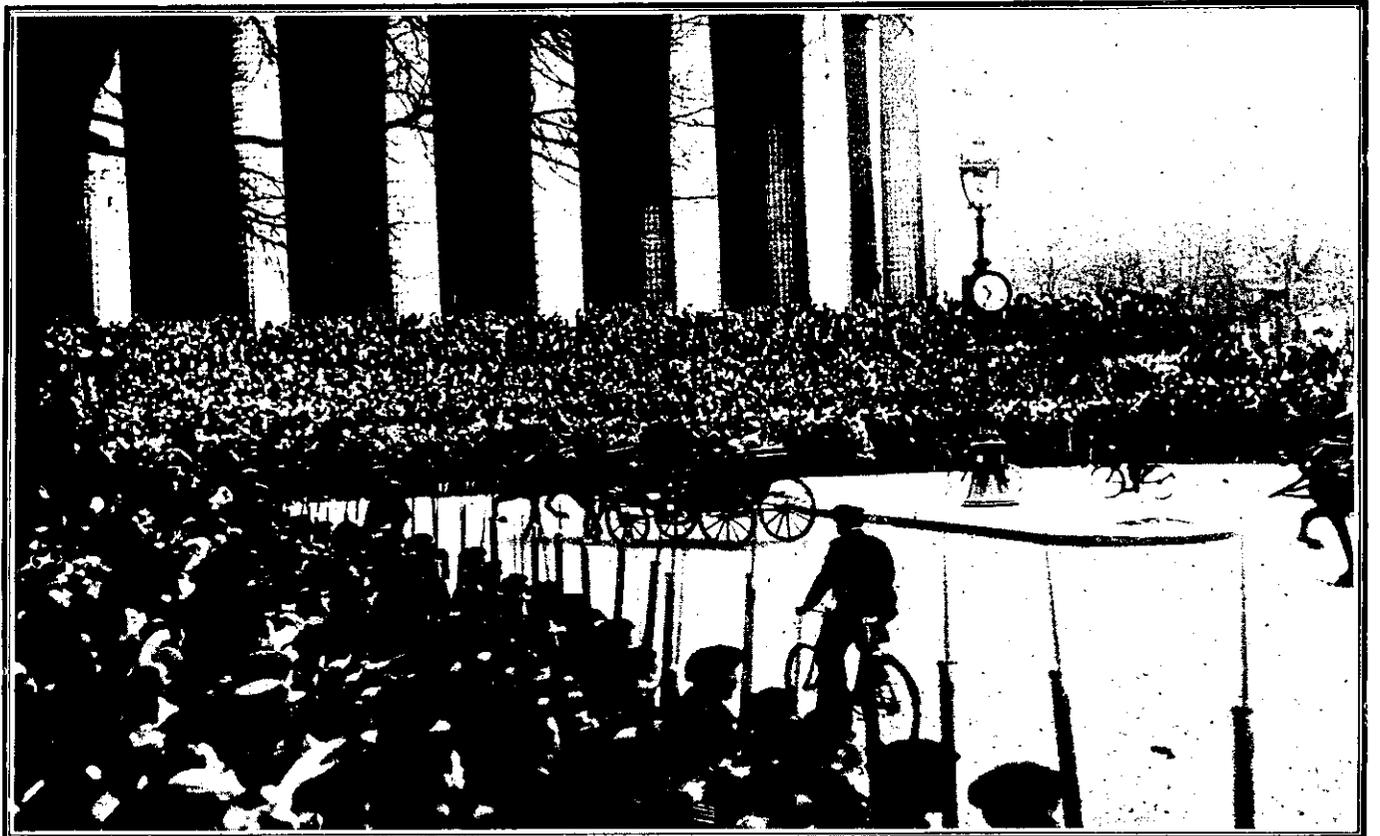
The death is announced from Ottawa of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, ex-Prime Minister of Canada at the age of 78 years. He had been Premier of Canada for fourteen years consecutively.

Sir Thomas Mackenzie has been re-appointed High Commissioner for New Zealand for a further term of four months as from February 22. The periodical reappointments for a term of four months only are due to the fact that the High Commissioner insists upon being able at any time to resign at four months' notice.

France's war expenditure to the end of January was £7,280,000,000.

A London correspondent describes how Second-Lieutenant Leslie Cecil Lloyd Averill, N.Z.R.B., son of Bishop Averill, of Auckland, won the Military Cross. When all the other officers of his company became casualties, early in the attack, Lieutenant Averill took command and led the men forward to the objective, where, in spite of heavy fire from the enemy, he consolidated with great skill. His personal gallantry and cheerfulness greatly encouraged his men, and his capable handling contributed to our success.

"There is no country in the world where the live stock are so healthy as in New Zealand," said Mr. D. Cuddy, Director of the Dairy Division, to the Industries Committee in Wellington. Replying to a suggestion that it might be advisable to "house" dairy cattle in the winter, Mr. Cuddy said that New Zealand's climate, generally, did not require such precautions. It was considered advisable to keep the cattle in the open during winter, provided they had good feeding and shelter, as housing tended to spread disease.



PRESIDENT WILSON'S ENTHUSIASTIC WELCOME IN PARIS. Referring to the President's connection with the League of Nations an eminent writer says: "President Wilson is not an international Simple Simon. He is more like Gamaliel, at whose feet sit the great Powers, or like Moses administering the word."

Mr. James Jamieson, who has left for Europe, was entertained by the Council of the Canterbury Art Society. Mr. N. L. Macbeth, the president, spoke of the valuable work done for art in Canterbury by Mr. Jamieson, and on behalf of the Council wished him bon voyage and a safe return.

Captain Mervyn R. Reed, a son of Mr. J. R. Reed, K.C., who left Egypt in charge of the draft of soldiers which arrived by the transport Mamari, contracted scarlatina in a mild form prior to reaching Australia, and was left behind in hospital in Melbourne.

On retiring from the Nelson Volunteer Fire Brigade, after 32 years' service, Captain T. Woodward and Treasurer J. E. Hounsell were each presented by the citizens with a solid silver tea service.

Mr. E. W. Relf, manager of the New Zealand Farmers' Co-operative Association of Canterbury, who has been granted extended leave by the directors, has left for England.

Mr. G. W. Hutchison has been appointed to act as lecturer in commerce at the Auckland University College for the ensuing year, in the absence of Mr. W. H. Hemingway, who is on sick leave.

The inmates of Park Island, Napier, were much honoured and delighted by receiving a visit from Captain Storkey, V.C. The captain was introduced by the manager in a few well-chosen words, and was greeted with unstinted applause by the veterans. Captain Storkey was much interested to meet one old gentleman who will celebrate his hundredth birthday on July 31 prox., the veteran being equally pleased to grasp the hand of one who had been so highly honoured.

"Many people hold the view that New Zealand can never be a manufacturing country, but must devote itself to primary industries in the main," said Mr. G. Mapplebeck at a meeting of the Central Chamber of Commerce in Wellington, but this idea is a fallacious one." Mr. Mapplebeck said that as a matter of fact over half the population of New Zealand lived by the secondary industries. Up till about 15 years ago the same idea was held in Canada, but at last Canadian business men became wide awake to the possibilities, and Canada became an exporting country for manufactured goods. In 1901 Canadian manufacturers exported were valued at 16,012,208 dollars, whereas in 1915 they had increased in value to 85,539,501 dollars.

On leaving the Thames Valley Dairy Company, after 17 years' service as secretary, Mr. E. V. Quick was presented by the suppliers with a cheque for £100, while the employees gave him a gold watch and chain and Mrs. Quick a cameo brooch. He is to be the new secretary of the Waikato Dairy Company.

Mr. J. S. Barton, S.M., who has returned from the coast, in conversation with a Gisborne reporter, said he was satisfied the hack was the only really satisfactory method of doing the coast trip. When he left Gisborne it had been raining, and a party of three left in a four-horse vehicle for Tolaga Bay, and it took 10½ hours to accomplish the journey. One hill in particular it took two hours to ascend, and by the time the summit was reached the horses were very tired. They struck high water on the beaches, and the party had to walk several miles. For the first 20 miles he began to wish he had taken a car, but the latter stages of the journey opened his eyes.

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Mr. Richard Mitchelson, one of the oldest settlers of the Northern Wairoa district, died on February 17 at his residence at Aoroa, near Dargaville. He was a director of several mining companies and took a keen interest in all matters relating to the welfare of the Northern Wairoa district. Mr. Mitchelson, who was a brother of the Hon. E. Mitchelson, leaves a widow and a daughter, the latter being Mrs. John Mackenzie, of Hamilton.

King-fishing enthusiasts from Auckland and the south are reported to be having excellent sport at the Bay of Islands.

A Reuter message from Paris, dated December 17, stated that at a general meeting of the General Union of Hotelkeepers it was unanimously decided that for 10 years no person of enemy origin should be admitted either as employee or as guest. The decision will be forwarded to all hotelkeepers' unions in Allied countries.

Cabinet's proposals for peace celebrations will be sent to all local governing bodies throughout the Dominion, states the Hon. G. W. Russell, Minister for Internal Affairs. The medal that is to be presented will be on the same lines as a medal issued in commemoration of the part taken by New Zealand in the Boer War. Approximately, there are 225,100 children attending the schools of the Dominion—namely, public schools, 190,000; registered private schools, 18,500; secondary, including technical and day schools, 11,000; Native schools, 5000; industrial schools, 600. It is intended to give the medal to all these children, and in addition to the 225,100 there will be another 15,000 medals for children who have not yet attained school age, so that they may retain a memento of the great event. A design for the medal will be prepared immediately.

To show their appreciation of the sacrifices made by the merchant seamen and sailors in the great war, Mr. Edward Holt, of Cape Runaway, one of the owners of the Blue Funnel Line of steamships trading out of Liverpool, and Mr. W. Kinross White, of Napier, have jointly presented a motor car to the Wellington Commercial Travellers' and Warehousemen's Association, to be raffled in aid of the funds for the widows and orphans of seamen who have lost their breadwinners as a result of war circumstances. The car, which arrived in Wellington from Napier by the s.s. Ripple at the beginning of this week, is one of the very latest models and was especially built to the order of the great actress Pauline Chase, the chassis and engine being by the White Co., of America, and the body by Cann, the leading bodymakers of London. The art union promises to be a great success, and the travellers are working hard with a view to collecting a huge sum in aid of the funds.

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Under the will of Mr. Batty, late of the Lodge, Longlands, Dawlish, Devon, a marble bust of Napoleon the Great is to be placed in the Auckland Museum. The bust was originally from the studio of the celebrated Italian sculptor Canova, but it is not supposed that it was executed by Canova himself, but by one of his students. It will be some months before it is received in Auckland.

A creditable achievement is that of Mr. L. Willis, of the staff of Kennedy, Lusk, and Morling, solicitors, Napier. Though only 16 years of age, Mr. Willis has passed his final section in the law professional examinations.

A large catch of trevalli was made at Port Chalmers in a very simple manner. When the trawler Express was being taken into the dock she was followed in by many hundred trevalli, and as the water was pumped out a very animated scene was witnessed, a large number of men and boys scooping the fish out with their hands, or any suitable article they could get hold of.

Speaking at the Science Congress in Christchurch, the president of the New Zealand Institute (Dr. L. Cockayne), said New Zealand was above all a farming community. Many of Nature's secrets of 100 years ago were now the priceless possessions of man. Those, when more generally applied than at present, would make our fields yield a much greater return. That would be a great advance, but without the discovery of further fundamental principles, now unknown, agriculture would only reach a stage far from perfection. Our scientific duty as a nation was not only to apply to the best of our ability our present knowledge, but, by means of purely academic investigations, to discover further fundamental principles on which the greatly-improved farming of the future would depend.

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Mr. H. D. Robertson, secretary of the Auckland Joint Committee of the British Red Cross and Order of St. John, intends to leave by the Makura next month on a visit to America and England. Mrs. Robertson accompanies him, and they expect to be away about eight months.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Kellie Smith (with their children and nurse), of Penang, Straits Settlement, motored through to Wellington from Auckland, taking in the thermal districts, and are now making a tour of the South Island.

Captain Bollons, of the Government steamer Hinemoa, who for some time had been ashore on account of illness, has resumed command of his vessel. Captain Hooper, who had been temporarily in command, will return to the Amokura.

The official returns of the New Zealand Expeditionary Force 1914-18 show that New Zealand, in addition to 100,444 men, sent no less than 10,117 horses to the front. These were shipped during the period October, 1914, to October, 1916, when it was found that no more horses were required from the Dominion. In excess of this number New Zealand also sent 121 horses to Samoa, and on the signing of the armistice had 498 horses in the training camps and remount depot. It is understood that few, if any, of the horses New Zealand despatched abroad will be returned to the Dominion.

Long-tailed cuckoos, moki moki (or bell bird), kawakawas, and pigeons are now fairly plentiful on the ranges at the back of Otaki. Wild pigs are also numerous, while fine specimens of goats have recently been seen. Deer, however, appear scarce.

"I do not know the name of the mountain country I have travelled over between Opotiki and Motu, but if you are wanting a name I would advise you to call it 'Mount Magnificent,'" said the Hon. T. M. Wilford during a visit to Gisborne. "I have been in almost every country in the world, and I have seen many of the famous sights of the world, and I have seen those wonderful mountains in Spain. But in all my travels over the world I have seen nothing to equal the mountain trip between Opotiki and Motu. I have seen nothing like it. I cannot describe it. The road is not a good one, and we came through in the rain, and there were a couple of slips—rocks that had come down—that we had to move. But to compare the Buller Gorge with a view like that is like comparing the muddy banks of the Rhine with the Wanganui River. I have certainly never seen anything to equal it, and I think the view is absolutely unique."

Though peace may be signed within the next two or three months, it is certain (says the Melbourne "Age") that Australia will have to raise yet another "war" or "repatriation" loan at least, in order to meet the expense of settling soldiers and restoring them to civil life. War expenditure out of loan has, of course, been reduced, and with the gradual demobilisation of men and the cessation in the use of certain sorts of munitions, the reduction is progressive. But the expense on medical services, and on the maintenance and pay of men abroad, is still heavy, and will be succeeded by expenditure on repatriation. The last war loan was a brilliant success, producing more than £40,000,000 for the exchequer. Nothing has yet been decided in regard to a further loan, but it seems probable that this will be needed by June, or thereabouts.

The widow of the late Sergeant Mervyn H. E. Gorringe, of Levin, has donated a sum of £500 to cover the cost of a new wing for the Y.M.C.A. Institute at Rotorua. This is the outcome of a letter written to his wife by the late Sergeant Gorringe from Ypres, stating that if the worst happened and there was something to spare she might remember the Y.M.C.A. The wing is now being erected. Within will be placed an enlarged portrait of the late Sergeant Gorringe (who was a singularly handsome man, 6ft. 4in. in height), and beneath it will be placed a brass tablet on which the following lines will be engraved:—"This wing is erected as a memorial to the late Sergeant Mervyn H. E. Gorringe, of Levin, New Zealand, F. Company, of Fifth Reinforcements, son of the Rev. P. R. Gorringe, Manston Rectory, Dorset. Born Manston, Dorset, England, 14th August, 1877; killed in action, Flanders, 12th December, 1917."

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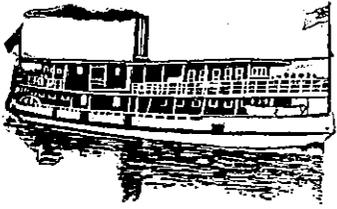
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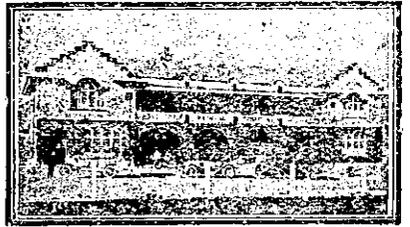
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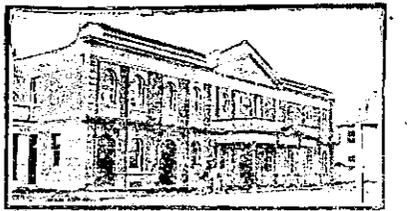
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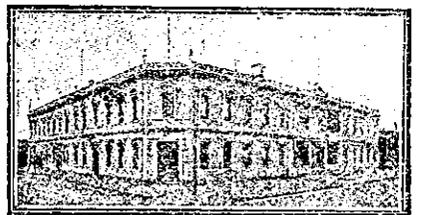
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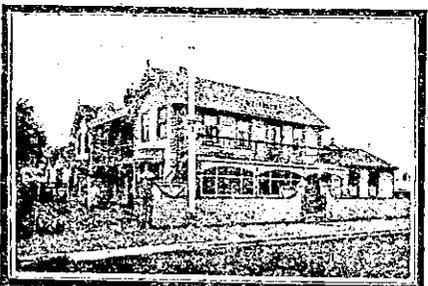


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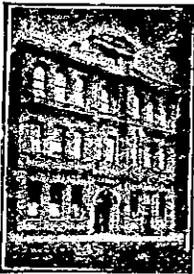
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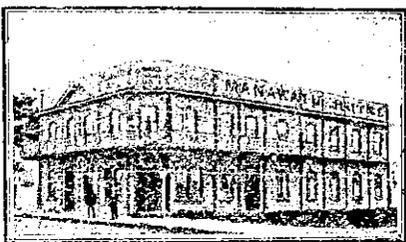
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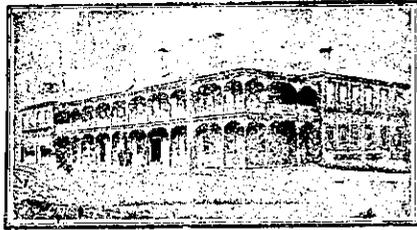
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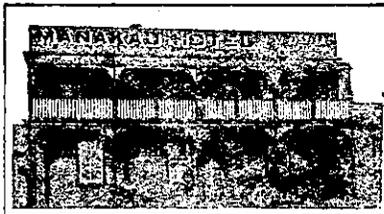


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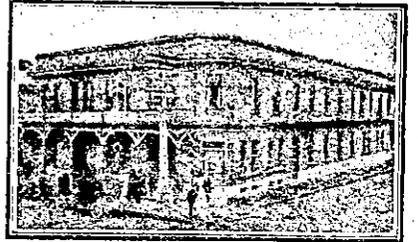


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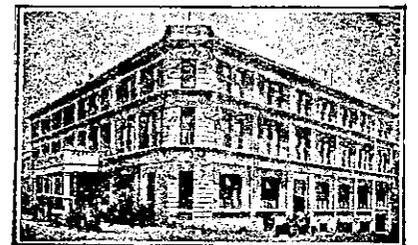
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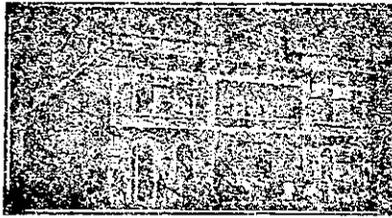
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