

x, x, 504, 511, 517, 589 (72 break), 590, 599, 619, 661, 680, x, 728 (unfinished).

THE SECOND SESSION.

BOTH LADS PLAYING WELL.

Play was resumed on Tuesday afternoon at three o'clock, when there was again a good attendance of interested spectators. Lindrum was the first to commence, and continuing his unfinished break of 45 from the previous evening he made an excellent compilation of 101. Gray's first cue realised 33. Lindrum opened well, but after a time his play deteriorated, and Gray soon had his original sart again. However, in the last hour Lindrum got to work in earnest, and treated those present to some pretty billiards, his slow screw shots in particular being appreciated by the audience. Gray, on the other hand, scored rapidly when he had the red over the centre, and from the one ball made breaks of 84, 71, 63 and 48. A first-class exhibition brought to a close, when Lindrum ran to his sessional points with a meritorious unfinished break of 135. The scores at the end of the session read: Lindrum (in play) 1455, Gray 1649. In other words, Lindrum who is conceding Gray 500 start, is only 194 behind. The following is the score after each cue, an x signify a visit to the table without scoring:—Lindrum: 728, 784 (101 break continued from the previous session), 803, x, 810, x, 834, 844, x, 849, x, 878, 898, x, x, 904, x, 912, 915, 943, 948, x, 973, x, 981, x, 998, 1017, 1087 (70 break), 1108, 1189 (81 break), 1201, x, x, 1229, 1276 (47 break), 1306, 1320, 1455 (135 break unfinished). Gray: 1018, 1055, x, 1076, 1089, 1090, x, 1094, 1175 (81 break off red), 1179, 1193, x, 1266 (73 break), 1272, 1335 (63 break off red), 1337, 1341, 1400 (59 break), x, 1407, 1477 (60 break), x, 1507, 1509, x, 1511, 1520, 1539, 1545, 1565, 1573, 1599, x, x, 1605, x, 1637, 1640, 1649.

The match will be played in sessions every afternoon and evening this week. Mr. S. Lyons has charge of the scoring board, and his work is all that could be desired.

There was a large attendance at Mac's Billiard Saloon, Ponsonby, one evening last week when those two young cueists, Gray and Lindrum, played a game of 750 points. Gray's play was poor, but, on the other hand, Lindrum was in good form and soon ran to game, his average being 29. Gray was only 193 when his opponent ran out. The match was played on an Alcock Standard table.

CYCLING AND MOTOR NOTES.

A very fine tyre record has just been accomplished by a well-known Melbourne Medico, who, driving a 16-20 h.p. car, got 11,700 miles out of one set of Grooved Dunlop motor tyres fitted to the driving wheels and 18,000 miles out of one set on the front wheels, size of tyres 880 x 120. Considering that the car weighs 30 cwt, and has been used over all classes of roads during the past 19 months, stopping and starting 30 to 40 times a day, it is no wonder that the Dunlop Co., are proud of this fine demonstration of what their tyres are capable of when properly handled. Considering the fine wearing results that are now being got from the world famed "Dunlop" it is little wonder that these hard wearing tyres are becoming so popular amongst Australasian motorists. Another feature in their favour is that they are British made.

Some interesting particulars are to hand of Latham's hair raising feat at the recent Aviation Carnival held at Blackpool, England, when he flew at the amazing speed of 75 miles an hour. Hubert Latham was undoubtedly the hero of the carnival. "Perhaps my readers would like to know what kind of a man this young French flier really is," writes a well-known English motoring journalist. "I had the pleasure of an interview at Blackpool, and can only say that, judged by personal appearance, he is just about as unlike a hero as anyone could possibly be. He is of medium height, with the learned stoop of a college don, a sallow complexion, which makes him look far from robust. Taken altogether, he looks the last man on earth to perform feats that have aroused the admiration of the world. And yet this young aviator—I think he is only 24, has twice been picked up out of the Channel in his attempts to cross from Calais to Dover. I think I am right in saying that he has had more narrow escapes than any other man. He was born under an unlucky star is a sentiment I heard expressed when he started off on Tuesday, and although his propeller blade caught the top of a bunker and put him out of the racing for 24 hours, still, I think Hubert Latham's luck is exceptionally good, else he would have been killed long ago. He certainly tempted Providence when he started out on Friday in the teeth of a gale that must have been blowing at the rate of 40 miles per hour. What a marvellous display that was, and how the crowd was thrilled with excitement history

alone will tell, for Latham made history on Friday. So magnificent was his display and so dangerous the ascent in a high wind that even the boldest held their breath for a time. There were moments when a deathly silence, I was going to say could be heard, came over the crowd, and some of the fair sex had to turn their heads away for fear the worst would happen. The moments referred to were those when Latham turned in the full force of the gale of wind, and it was a toss up as to whether Aeolus or the plucky young pilot would win. At one time he was blown hundreds of yards out of his course towards the sea, but in the end the man triumphed over the elements, and great was the relief when he steered for earth again. If there had only been one event at Blackpool and that one item Latham's marvellous fly, it would have been well worth going all the way to see, for had not the young aviator proved by his magnificent skill that the high winds of heaven had been almost as completely mastered as the mighty ocean waves. I heard a very well-known aviator say that up to Friday last an aeroplane was useless in a wind blowing at more than fifteen miles per hour. Latham has demonstrated that there is safety even in a storm blowing at twice this velocity. He has done more, as he gave the spectators touches of speed, with the wind at his back, which worked out at over 75 miles per hour. When he descended I venture to say he was the coolest man in the whole enclosure, as he quickly took out a cigarette and got it alight before he shook hands with one of the thousands of people who were clamouring to congratulate the hero of the Blackpool week."

Indications are not lacking that there is a general all-round improvement in cycling, from several points of view. First of all the gentle sex are again taking to the wheel, and are greatly increasing in numbers. The trade in cheap and trashy machines is falling off in favour of a better class of mount, and gauged through the Melbourne Bicycle Club's Austral meeting, renewed interest is again being taken in cycling racing by the public, and it would only require some new blood and interesting programmes embracing tandem racing, multicyle paced races, interspersed with motor cycle races of low power to again draw the public and make the game popular.

Mr. E. A. Pearson the well-known N.S.W. long distance amateur road rider is now undergoing a steady preparation with a view of endeavouring to recapture his Sydney-Melbourne cycle record, which was recently reduced by J. Salvana. The probable date of the attempt will be the next

Easter holidays which will fall in March. As in all his great races, Pearson will again ride a Dunlop-shod Speedwell. The existing figures are 55hrs. 56mins.

CRICKET.

AUCKLAND v. CANTERBURY.

The interprovincial cricket match between Auckland and Canterbury was commenced at Victoria Park on Friday last, when ideal weather prevailed for the king of summer games. The visitors won the toss, but failed to make much use of the advantage, their batting being anything but brilliant. The teams were as follows:—Auckland: Anthony, Hemus Sale, W. B. Smith (captain), Relf, Hadden, Olliff, Taylor, Snedden, Howden and Goode. Canterbury: Reese (captain), Patrick, W. Carlton, Lusk, Orchard, T. Carlton, Crawshaw, Hayes, Addison, Bennett and Boxshall. The umpires were Messrs. A. Sando and C. Garrard.

The first pair to take their stand against the Auckland bowlers, Relf and Hadden, were Patrick and Reese, but the latter fell a victim to Relf's bowling after scoring 9 runs. Howden went to Relf's assistance, replacing Hadden, while W. Carlton was the third man to bat for Canterbury. Patrick batted well and succeeded in making 22 runs before being dismissed after 65 minutes play, his place being taken by Lusk. After reaching 9 runs Carlton was bowled out by Howden, and Orchard, a left-hand player, came on in his place. The combination Lusk and Orchard worked well together, while Taylor relieved Howden. Olliff took Relf's place. When play had ceased for the luncheon adjournment Canterbury's score stood at 91 runs for three wickets, with Lusk 21 and Orchard 20.

On resuming play Olliff and Howden bowled for Auckland and the latter succeeded in clean bowling Orchard for 21 runs, T. Carlton coming on in his place. At the end of two hours' play Canterbury's score had reached the century and on reaching 115 Carlton was stumped for an innings of 9 runs. Lusk continued to score steadily and Crawshaw came on as his partner but was dismissed for a duck's, being caught by Brooke-Smith. Hayes succeeded Crawshaw, but was dismissed for two runs, an over by Olliff gliding off his pad on to the wicket. His place was taken by Addison, and soon after the partnership began Lusk hit a boundary, which was neatly caught by Snedden. Lusk altogether made 38 runs, occupying 80 minutes. Bennett replaced him, while Olliff and Howden continued bowling for the Aucklanders with no little success. After contributing 10 runs to the total, Addison hitting a ball in the air left Howden a catch which he successfully made use of. The last of the Canterbury men to go in was Boxshall, but he was dismissed by Howden for 1 run, Bennett's score at the time being 9 runs (not out), while the total score was 140 runs.

The total of 140 runs was made up as follows:—(D. Reese 9, Patrick 22, W. Carlton 9, H. B. Lusk 38, S. Orchard 21, T. Carlton 9, E. E. Crawshaw 0, W. Hayes 2, Addison 10, J. H. Bennett 9 not out, C. Boxshall 1), while Relf took one wicket for 23 runs, Hadden none for 3, Howden four for 60, Taylor none for 17 and Olliff four for 27.

Auckland then commenced batting, Anthony and Hemus opening operations. Both men hit out in good style, the bowling of T. Carlton and Bennett proving ineffective. After the pair had compiled 30 runs Reese replaced Carlton, but Anthony put in some excellent batting, scoring 14 runs in four hits, much to the delight of the spectators. However, the ex-Canterburyite was a moment later clean bowled by Reese after a very creditable exhibition, Anthony's contribution being 30 runs. Sale then entered into partnership with Hemus, but the latter was dismissed almost immediately after, being caught by Crawshaw, having compiled 16 runs. Hadden went in next and an adjournment for tea was made a few minutes later.

Tea over, play was continued, and Sale and Hadden with Reese and Orchard as bowlers played well, Hadden knocking up 21 runs, which occupied him 36 minutes, before being dismissed by Orchard. Relf joined Sale and the latter fell a victim to the first ball of Orchard's next over, after an innings of 15 runs. Brooke-



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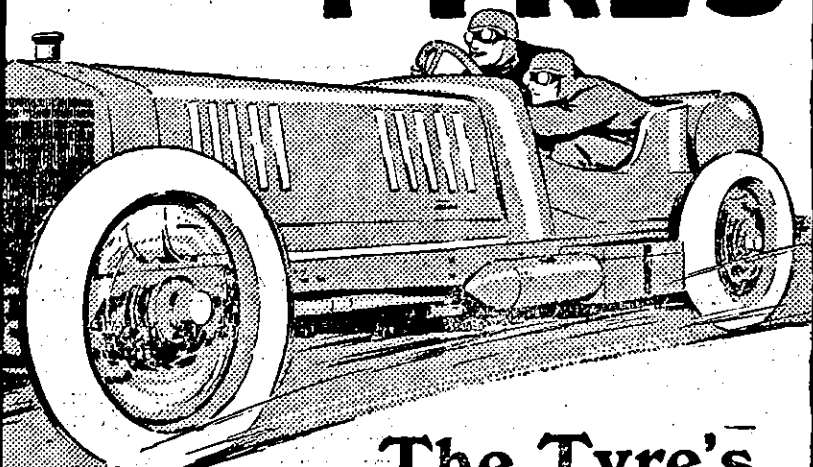
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