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INTER-PROVINCIAL

CANTERBURY.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

CHRISTCHURCH, July 26. Wimmera is now one of the favourites for the Winter Cup. It is reported that after running in this event the son of Merriwee will be specially trained for the New Zealand Cup. Mr. G. D. Greenwood has scratched all his horses for the A.J.C. Spring meeting, but quite a strong contingent will be seen out at the Cup meeting in November.

Outlander was scratched for the Grand National Hurdle race at 9.40 a.m. on Thursday last.

King Hippo was scratched for all engagements at the National meeting at 2.35 p.m. on Monday.

Paragon, who broke down badly while doing a gallop on Saturday week had to be destroyed a day or two later. The horse had been galloping very well and showing great promise, his owner having every confidence that he would win a race before the season closed.

Mahuta, who was one of the fancied horses for the Grand National Hurdle race has gone out of favour for the big jumping event, since his poor display at the Wellington meeting.

White Cockade and Inchbonny were the only members of the Canterbury contingent to win races at the Wellington meeting. The former has come into favour for the Grand National Hurdles since his fine showing at Ashburton and Wellington.

Te Arai, the favourite for the Grand National Steeplechase, Tyrannic and several other horses that competed at the Wellington meeting have arrived at Riccarton for the National meeting.

Master Paul, who won on the second day at Wellington cost the local ring a lot of money, all shrewd backers getting on to the good thing.

Faisano was a strong favourite for the National Hurdles prior to winning at Trentham, but since his brilliant displays on the northern course shrewd judges have sorted him out as having a second to none chance in the National Hurdles.

Lock Fyne, Red McGregor and Le Beau, have arrived at Riccarton and are undergoing their final preparation for the Grand National Steeplechase.

Circus Girl, who recently arrived from Marlborough district to take part in some of the jumping contests at the National meeting is doing good work over the steeplechase country. This mare strikes me as being an accomplished jumper.

Shindy went wrong while doing a gallop at Riccarton last week and it is not likely she will be able to race again.

Perle D'or, who claims engagements at the National meeting, Lady Reina and Directoire were doing easy work at Riccarton, Mason being in charge of them.

WELLINGTON.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

WELLINGTON, July 25. With the conclusion of the Wellington meeting on Saturday last the racing season of 1909-1910 is brought to a conclusion, but the game goes on incessantly, as the new season will commence from August 1st, when all horses in the Dominion will be one year older.

A word of praise is due to Mr. Griffiths, who is connected with the secretarial department of the Wellington Racing Club, for his tact and civility during the progress of the recent meeting, and to whose efforts the lot of the inquirer after information was made easier.

With the conclusion of the W.R.C. meeting, visitors are beginning to leave for their homes, and in the course of a few days, the Trentham gathering will be numbered amongst the forgotten and turfites will be having their attention occupied with the Riccarton carnival, which begins next month.

Royal Marine should be well benefited by his recent exertions, and the Royal Artillery gelding should be in nice condition by the time the Riccarton fixture rolls round.

Locally owned horses fared very badly at the recent W.R.C. fixture. The district was represented at the meeting with Mon Ami, Royal Marine, Iney, Penza, Succession, Ukraine,

Mediterranean, White Lie, Penates, Merrie Zealand, Sir Frisco, Truganini, Hydrant, Whatakura, Xavier, Merry Frank, Turna, Lady Kitchener, Magneto, Rongomai, Ahuapai, Grand Jewel, Merrie Time, Advantage, and Naumai. The only one to win a race was Rongomai, whilst Sir Frisco, Advantage, Penza, and Merrie Zealand, returned their supporters some so ace by paying second dividends. Taken altogether, the local contingent experienced a bad time at the meeting.

Mon Ami could not foot it in the mud at Trentham, but the Soult mare is in nice condition and she should run with some success in her spring engagements.

R. Knox, the Otaki trainer, brought Merrie Emerald to Trentham, and notwithstanding that the black mare carried the confidence of her connections in her events, she failed to show up, and finished amongst the also started division.

Beeline ran well in the July Steeplechase and this gelding should be heard of in hurdle events next season, as he is a clean jumper and shows some pace between the flags; two important factors in the jumping business.

P. Brady, the Auckland jockey, rode a nice race on Capitol in the W.R.C. Steeplechase, and in his hands the chestnut was seen at his best. His jumping was first-class throughout, and his success was well received by sporting enthusiasts.

V. Colello was chagrined at Corazon's display in the July Steeplechase, and he put the chestnut's defeat down to Corazon not having been confronted with a hencoop to negotiate previously. Sir W. Russell's trainer stated that Corazon would be seen under better circumstances in the Grand National Steeplechase at Riccarton where there is not such an obstruction to be cleared.

F. E. Jones rode Waiouru in the Onslow Handicap, but the Conqueror gelding did not show up well and judging by his efforts in the event named, would be all the better for a spell until the tracks become more hardened.

Teotane, who looked well to the eye, again developed bleeding whilst running on the final day at Trentham. It is probable that the Daunt gelding will be treated to a lengthy spell with a view of ascertaining whether a respite from activity will prove beneficial to the chestnut.

The three-year-old gelding, Merry Frank, by Merriwee from Valois, appears to be a promising sort, judging by his efforts at Trentham. He is owned by the local owner, Mr. W. Smart, who has always for years past had something to carry his colours.

Beach came from Palmerston North to Trentham with a good private reputation, but the public did not have any insight into his brilliancy, which may, however, be produced at some of the early spring fixtures.

White Lie shows some little improvement in her jumping displays, and when she becomes a little more accustomed to the obstacles, she should make a proficient hurdler.

Mr. J. R. McDonald, the Levin sportsman, received many congratulations on Waione's success in the July Steeplechase, and the hope was expressed that the Waiuku gelding would soon be seen again under similar circumstances. Waione was one of the outsiders and returned his supporters a very acceptable dividend.

The largest dividend paid at the W.R.C. meeting, was on Multiple, when he won the Miramar Handicap, Rongomai ran him very close, whilst Inchbonny was the only other competitor to return its supporters a two figure dividend. All the other winners dividends were below the double figure standard, whilst the credit of paying the smallest dividend at the fixture can be put down to Electrakoff, when his colt won the opening event on the first day.

Penates ran very well in his Trentham essay, and it is quite evident that the Ruenalf colt will be a thorn in the side of his opponents in the Winter Cup, that is, of course, provided nothing untowards happens in the interim.

The Auckland rider, C. Brown, rode a very capable race on Inchbonny in the Crofton Handicap, and owing to his vigorous efforts the chestnut daughter of Clanranald was landed a winner by a small margin from St. Lumsden, who ran well when the pressure was on.

Something went wrong with Nga-puka in the Winter Oats Handicap, on Saturday, with the result that he was pulled up and came in a very bad last. I could not ascertain what took place, but from the way in which M. Ryan trotted the Soult gelding it certainly appeared that he was suffering from something.