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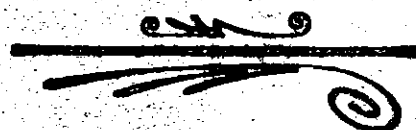
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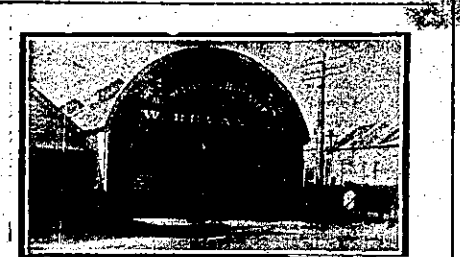
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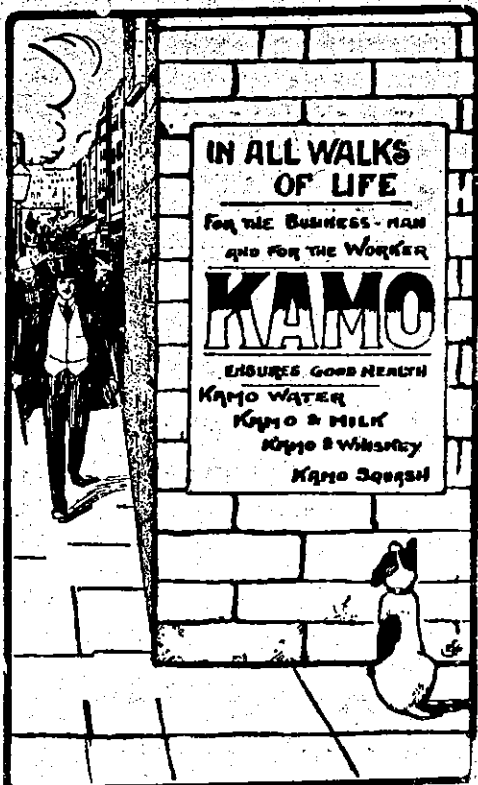
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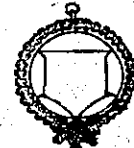
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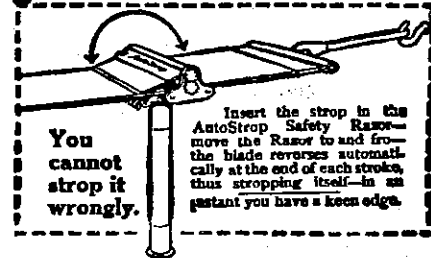
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EFFECT UPON RACING.

A large deputation, representing racing and trotting clubs in Auckland, waited upon the Premier (Sir Joseph Ward) at the Star Hotel on Tuesday morning in reference to the question of the abolition or reduction of the totalisator permits.

The Hon. E. Mitchelson, president of the Auckland Racing Club, was the first speaker, and he referred to the serious effect that the abolition or substantial reduction of the number of totalisator permits would have upon the clubs. Referring to the bookmaker question, he said that, with the exception of the first meeting after the passing of the Act of 1907, the Auckland Racing Club had always obtained reports from the police regarding applicants for licenses. The fact that a great many undesirable bookmakers had flocked into the country, and had worked the races for their own ends, had led to the creation of a large number of unregistered meetings. A striking instance of this had occurred in the Northern Wairoa, where the advent of the bookmaker had led to the formation of six unregistered meetings. If the totalisator clubs considered the matter from the financial aspect, they would say, "Retain the bookmakers," as the amount received in fees from the latter was more than could be made up by means of the totalisator. The totalisator did not encourage people to bet. Last year the Auckland Club had paid £29,215 in stakes, and in addition to this it had expend-

ed £10,000 on racecourse improvements. The Auckland Racing Club had a fine property at Ellerslie, and was spending a large sum of money on it in order to make it attractive to the public. Numbers of people who never went to races visited the course on Sundays and other days, and the course was thus, in many respects a public park. The suburban clubs were, in a smaller way following the same policy. He pointed out that the metropolitan, as well as several of the suburban clubs, had incurred liabilities two or three years in advance, by offering stakes for their classic events.

Mr. E. W. Alison spoke as a metropolitan and country representative, as well as president of the Takapuna Club, and said if the totalisator permits were cut down by one-half, or appreciably cut down, it would inflict a great injustice upon a number of clubs, and, in addition, a large number of them would be wiped out of existence. If the Government intended to obliterate racing, let the position be made clear. If racing, however, was to continue, the clubs should not be deprived, by too restrictive legislation, of the means of carrying on successfully. He agreed that there was too much racing, but there were as many, or more, registered and unregistered meetings as there were totalisator meetings. In the Auckland district the totalisator clubs held about 39 days' racing in the year, and he held that this was not too much for the size and population of Auckland and country districts. In computing the race days, the registered and unregistered clubs should be taken into consideration, and the limitation of totalisator permits and race days to totalisator clubs should be based upon the reduction of racing as a whole.

Mr. A. Hanna, speaking on behalf of the Avondale Club, said that club had committed itself to certain improvements and to a fixed programme until 1912, and if the totalisator permits were taken away or reduced, the effect would be disastrous. The Avondale Club had always obtained police reports before issuing licenses to bookmakers.

In reply to the Premier Mr. Hanna said he thought the Avondale Club had generally declined to issue licenses to undesirable persons.

Mr. R. H. McKenzie, speaking on behalf of the trotting clubs, said that if the totalisator permits were removed or reduced, the effect would be a deterioration in the breed of horses. He did not believe that there had ever been a case of welsling in connection with his club.

The Prime Minister, in his reply, said that it was not so much the Government as public opinion that they had to reckon with in this matter. Horse-racing was one of the finest sports in the world, but certain matters in connection with the conduct of the meetings had led to complaints on the part of people who were not unfriendly to the sport. The Act of 1907 had confined the betting largely to the racecourse, but the provision for licensing the bookmakers had met with strong opposition from some of the clubs. He knew for a fact that some of the clubs had issued licenses indiscriminately, and in some instances the matter had been pointed out by the reputable class of bookmakers. The outcome had been the agitation to do away with the bookmakers altogether. The question to be considered in connection with the coming legislation was how far would a reduction of the totalisator permits interfere with legitimate racing. During the past racing season there had been 305 racing days, with totalisator permits. In addition, there were other registered clubs responsible for over 100 days' racing. These, with unregistered and proprietary clubs, made a total of about 750 days' racing in the year. Speaking apart from

both registered and unregistered clubs could not be considered, but the Government's proposals would be carefully framed, with a view to the country, as well as the town, aspect. The Government was trying to approach the matter from a practical, rather than a sentimental, standpoint.

Mr. Mitchelson: Will the clubs have an opportunity of perusing the Bill?

Sir Joseph Ward: The Bill will probably be referred to a committee to take evidence upon.

The Premier referred to various reports he had received, some of them from habitués of the racecourses, complaining of the methods of the conduct of certain race meetings. He was, he said, speaking generally, but had he cared to go into some of the matters affecting racing in Auckland he could have probably told them something that they did not know themselves. He had these reports from citizens of Auckland who attended the race meetings here.

Mr. E. W. Alison: I have attended the majority of the race meeting in Auckland, and I have never heard any complaint before. There is no other part of New Zealand where racing is so clean as it is in Auckland. The whole object of the Racing Conference is to secure clean sport.

Sir Joseph Ward: I have not said one word regarding the Racing Conference. I recognise that it is composed of a most estimable body of men, who have done much to place racing upon a proper basis. The members of the Conference, however, have never controlled, either directly or indirectly, the licensing of bookmakers, except perhaps in their separate capacities as members of clubs, who have issued licenses to bookmakers who ought never to have received them. You cannot know everything that goes on in the Auckland province, or else you would not make such statements.

Mr. Alison: You have practically made a wholesale condemnation of racing in Auckland.

Sir Joseph Ward: I have done nothing of the sort. I have said that undesirable things have occurred, but I do not say that Auckland is an exception. You are no worse and no better than any other part of the Dominion.

CANTERBURY J.C. GRAND NATIONAL MEETING.

OPENS ON TUESDAY.

The New Zealand racing season of 1910-11 opens at Riccarton on Tuesday next, when the Canterbury Jockey Club will inaugurate the Grand National meeting. This meeting is one of the favourite gatherings held in the Dominion during the year, and keen interest is taken in the results of the racing—particularly the Nationals—not only by those at the scene of action, but by all sportsmen throughout the Dominion. The meeting is always expected to bring together all the best horses in the category of jumpers in New Zealand, and if, perhaps, we except Wimmera, it will be admitted that all those horses with any credentials worth mentioning will be on hand to compete. The Canterbury Club have received splendid acceptances for the three principal events, and with horses from every part of New Zealand included in the list, everything promises for a most successful meeting.

GRAND NATIONAL STEEPLECHASE.

The following are engaged in

GRAND NATIONAL STEEPLECHASE, of 1000sovs. Three miles and a half.—Capitol (including 14lb penalty) 12.0, Klaterere 11.13, Audax 11.13, Loch Fyne 11.9, Te Aral (including 7lb penalty) 11.9, Red McGregor 11.5, Waione (including 10lb pen-

alty) 11.9. The principal event on the opening day will be the Grand National Steeplechase, three miles and a-half, and, at the time of writing, 22 horses remain in the event. However, at the final payment, which takes place to-morrow evening, several of those claiming engagements may be expected to drop out, but the prospects of a big field going to the post are very rosy, and we may expect to hear of a field of about 15 going to the post. Capitol, by his victory in the Wellington Steeplechase, incurred a 14lb penalty, and, as this brings the son of Leolantis' weight up to 12.0, he is now at the head of the list. His victory in the Wellington race last month was full of merit, but even allowing for this it will be admitted that with 12.0 in the saddle the big chestnut will want to be at his very best to win on Tuesday, and he may find the task a little too difficult. Capitol started in the event last year, but failed to complete the course. Klaterere (11.13) follows, and the veteran would have to make a deal of improvement before he could be ticked off to run well. Audax, on the same mark, is entitled to consideration, and though his displays have not been up to expectations, he may yet have to play his best card. Audax was running third in the Wellington Steeplechase when he toppled over six furlongs from home, and in the opinion of many who witnessed the race, Mr. Ormond's gelding would have been very hard to beat. Loch Fyne (11.9) was the last to finish at Wellington, and his prospects do not appear too bright. Te Aral (11.9) seems a bit unreliable, but there can be no getting away from the fact that he is a high-class animal over country. In the event of Te Aral being on his best behaviour, he should certainly be handy at the finish. Red McGregor (11.5) will probably be favourite, and on his running at Ellerslie and Wellington there seems to be plenty of inducement to support him. At Wellington it is said that he was not ridden with the best of judgment, and was kept too far out of the contest in the early stages. We in Auckland saw the Winter Steeplechase thrown away through bad judgment on Windsor's part, and Loch Fyne scored a very lucky win. If Red McGregor is kept anywhere near his field he should be one of the early brigade home, as he is a thorough stayer and has a deal of pace. Eurus has previously won the event, but since that time it appears to be a fair rate of odds against him completing the course, as he is a most unreliable customer. Nero would be hard to beat if well, but some doubts are expressed as to whether Neslor's son will be at his best. Tyrannic is a good performer over the small fences, and in his schooling work at Riccarton he has been giving satisfaction. Waione (11.5), on his performances, has a little the worst of the argument on the score of weights. His win at Wellington was a very lucky one. Bullworth (10.8) is a fair horse, and as he is credited with being quite ready for the fray, he may be expected to run well. Lovell does not appear to stay too well, and Le Beau will have to improve a good deal to win. However, the Aucklanders will be very hard to beat should the going be anyway firm. Corazon (10.4) is the most promising young chaser engaged in the race. In the Wellington Steeplechase Corazon was just behind Lovell and Sir Lethe about six furlongs from home, when a faulty jump put him out of the contest. At this juncture Corazon was going well, and looked to have a chance second to none. On the last day in the July Steeplechase Corazon had the race all his own way when he ran into the last hurdle and stopped. Sir Lethe does not read like a Grand National winner, but Stone Ginger has plenty of friends, despite the fact that he is a maiden performer. None of those further down appear to possess any chance.

is every promise of a fine meeting. That good horse Penates heads the list with 11.9, and the son of Ruenalf will probably find the task too much for him. Los Angeles is meeting with strong support, and is expected to make a good showing. North-East is also receiving attention. The Auckland horses Wauhope and Electrakoff are not overburdened with weight, and it looks as though they will be the hardest to beat. Sharpshooter is getting through his tasks in good style at Riccarton, and Sir Geo. Clifford's chestnut may run a good race.

GRAND NATIONAL HURDLES.

At the time of writing the horses engaged in the race are:—

GRAND NATIONAL HURDLE RACE, of 1000sovs. Two miles.—Paisano (including 14lb penalty) 12.1, Compass 11.6, Prophet 11.2, Taurira 11.1, Audax 10.12, Tyrannic 10.5, Gold Bird 10.4, Paritutu 10.3, Hydrant 10.2, Mahuta 10.1, Outlander 9.12, Woolloomooloo 9.11, Stayboy 9.11, Stone Ginger 9.10, White Cockade (including 5lb penalty) 9.5, Kremlin (including 5lb penalty) 9.5, Lionheart 9.4, Aorangi 9.4, Waitapu 9.3, Jack Ashore 9.0, Arc Light 9.0, Appin 9.0.

By reason of his successes, the Strowan gelding Paisano has incurred a 14lb penalty, and this has had the effect of increasing his poundage to 12.1. However, his performances are so full of merit that he has only to be produced at Riccarton to have a strong following, and the chances are that he would start favourite. Compass (11.6) won the event last year, and his second in the Jumpers' Flat at Wellington would point to the Daystar gelding being in form. Prophet (11.2) will carry considerable coin, particularly from Aucklanders, who know very well that for two miles the son of St. Paul would take a deal of beating. He is a bold fencer with plenty of pace, and as C. Cress will be in the saddle, his supporters are sure to get a good run for their money. Taurira (11.1) will also count a large following, and in some quarters the opinion is expressed that this black son of Mahaki will be the actual favourite. If Prosser's horse has improved in his jumping since the Wellington meeting, he will be very hard to beat. Further down the list Woolloomooloo, White Cockade, Stayboy and Kremlin appear to have outside chances, and may cause a surprise. However, summing the matter up it looks as though the winner will come from the top weights, and the meeting between Taurira, Prophet, Paisano and White Cockade will be awaited with interest.

AUCKLAND RACING CLUB.

ANNUAL MEETING.

There was a fair attendance of members present at the Chamber of Commerce on Monday, when the Auckland Racing Club held their annual meeting. The president (the Hon. E. Mitchelson) occupied the chair.

Mr. J. F. Hartland (secretary) submitted the annual report and balance-sheet, which appeared in our last issue.

In moving the adoption of the report and balance-sheet, the president expressed pleasure at the satisfactory position of the club. A considerable amount had been written off the property for depreciation, but he thought that they would have to consider whether this heavy writing off would have to continue. Last year the club gave away in stake money just on £4000 more than in the preceding year, but during the season to be entered upon the only increase would be £250 added to the Great Northern Hurdle Race, and the carrying out of last year's recommendations re classic events. Just now, when a strong attack was being made upon the to-

should erect a fence for schooling purposes, the fences to be less formidable than those at present ruling at Ellerslie. He stated that all horses were not hunted, and trainers wishing to put their charges to steeplechasing were taking a risk in asking beginners to negotiate the present fences erected at Ellerslie.

The following proposed alterations in the rules were carried by a substantial majority:—1. That rule 7 shall be altered by the addition of the following words at the end of the rule:—"In the event of a former member of the club desiring to rejoin, and being duly elected under rule 5, the entrance fee shall be £1 1s instead of £5 5s." 2. That rule 41 shall be altered by the insertion of the words "by ballot" after the word "elect" in the third line of the said rule. Consequently rule 58 shall be altered by the insertion of the figures "41" after the "rules" in the first line of the said rule.

The Hon. E. Mitchelson and Mr. H. T. Gorrie being the only nominees for the offices of president and vice-president respectively, were declared duly elected. Messrs. S. Bradley, F. Earl, O. Nicholson, H. O. Nolan, G. W. S. Paterson (retiring members) and Walter Davies were nominated for the five vacant seats on the committee, and the voting was announced as follows:—Bradley, 145; Nolan, 137; Nicholson, 135; Patterson, 138; Earl, 120; Davies, 120. Messrs. Earl and Davies having an equal number of votes, the chairman had to exercise his casting vote, which he gave in favour of Mr. Earl as the sitting member. There were three informal votes.

SIRES OF THE SEASON.

PENURY.

Evidently Mr. H. R. Mackenzie, of Mangere, does not intend to lose any time in placing the services of his recently imported sire, Penury, before breeders, as an advertisement in this issue notifies owners that Penury will stand the season at Ascot Stud, Mangere.

Penury is a rich brown horse, standing 16 hands and possesses rare bone and substance with plenty of power, while a perfect temperament is claimed for him. By Gallinule (son of Isonomy) from Dowerless, by Cucumber (3) from Tocher, by Lord Clifden (12) from Bab at the Bowster, by Annandale (4) from Queen Mary, Mr. Mackenzie's new purchase is, therefore, a member of the now famous Bruce Lowe's No. 10 family which during the last few years has provided English St. Leger and Derby winners in Bayardo and Lemberg, two of the best horses at present engaged on the English turf; in fact, it is on record that an offer of £56,000 for Bayardo was refused. Queen Mary, Penury's ancestress, is world-renowned in the stud book and we get Lemberg through her most famous daughter, Blink Bonny, winner of the Derby and Oaks and dam of Blair Athol, winner of Derby and St. Leger. On the sire's side Penury can boast of the very best of breeding, as Gallinule is one of the most successful stallions England has produced and the son of the great Isonomy, if not actually at, is always very close to, the head of the list of winning sires. It is estimated that the stock of Gallinule have won races to the value of £241,000, and this in itself speaks volumes. From the above it will be seen that Penury descends from a family noted for great winners over all distances, and being a commanding horse himself he should certainly claim attention at the hands of breeders. Full particulars can be obtained upon application to Mr. H. R. Mackenzie, Mangere.

the secretary on Saturday. C. Cress will pilot Prophet in his Riccarton engagements.

The late Mr. Sigismund Kohn, was a well-known and popular figure in Auckland racing circles. When the Canterbury sportsman, Mr. Hugo Friedlander, held a large team of racers in Auckland, Mr. Kohn acted throughout as his manager, and he was also for some time timekeeper to the Avondale Jockey Club. For the past two years Mr. Kohn had suffered from a heart affection, but he bore up bravely, and was always keen for a chat on racing. The good-hearted German will be much missed by many friends.

Progeny of the defunct Soult last season won 54 races in New Zealand, of the value of £16,044.

Sir Geo. Clifford heads the list of winning owners last season, the sum credited to him being £7774.

The Hawera sportsman, Mr. H. Spratt, owner of Mendip, left last week on a visit to Sydney, where he intends spending a few weeks holiday.

Whatakura was withdrawn from all his Riccarton engagements on Monday last.

It is stated that the Feilding horseman, W. Young, who piloted Paisano to victory on both occasions at Wellington, received £150 for his services.

The defeat of the crack Bayardo in the Goodwood Cup last week would probably cause a bit of a sensation at that meeting. For a long time Bayardo has been almost invincible, and one can easily picture the consternation on the faces of those present when he went under to Magic, who so far as can be learned, has no claim to first-class company at all.

Private advices received in Auckland are to the effect that the Auckland gelding Prophet is doing all that is asked of him at Riccarton, and the connections of St. Paul's son are quite confident he will give a good account of himself.

The sale of the property at Epsom known as Alexandra Park has been effected by Mr. P. M. Hansen, the purchasers being Messrs. J. C. Spedding, James Robertson and J. H. Gunson. The price paid for the property is given at over £20,000. One of Auckland's most prominent sporting grounds, the Park has for years been the scene of operations for trotting meetings, Auckland Rugby Union football matches, agricultural shows, etc. If present intentions are carried out, the new owners will endeavour to come to some arrangements with the various local sporting clubs and associations with a view to keeping the property intact in the interest of sport and exhibitions.

At a meeting of the committee of the Manawatu Racing Club on Saturday night a resolution was carried eliminating hurdle races from the Christmas meeting on the ground of the hardness of the going, the number of accidents, and the necessity of uniformity of hurdles. The resolution will have effect till uniform hurdles are adopted by the Racing Conference. It was also decided that the Wanganui Jockey Club be asked to call a meeting of all clubs in its metropolitan area with a view to mutually arranging for the possible reduction of the days of racing to comply with the desire of Parliament.

This will mean that White Cockade, Mahuta, and several other Grand National candidates will not be eligible for the race.

At latest advices from Home, D. Maher was easily at head of winning riders, and his total winning mounts up till the mail left was 43.

Nero was schooled over the steeplechase fences at Hastings on Saturday, and acquitted himself well. He pulled up quite sound, and yesterday was to be shipped from Napier.

San Fluie, half sister by San Fran to Sea Eagle, has been sold to Mr. H. M. Campbell, the price paid being in the region of 150 guineas.

The stallion Hymettus (by Cyllene—Sweet Balsam), imported by the Hon. J. D. Ormond, arrived from London by the s.s. Rimutaka on Friday.

The New Zealand-bred Waihuku won the Plate, six furlongs, at the recent Epsom (Victoria) meeting. The San Fran gelding was ridden by a jockey named O'Reilly. He was not heavily supported.

Bobrikoff and the two-year-old Virtue were taken in hand last week by F. Davis.

The New Zealand galloway, Ora Pinesent, who is by Merriwee, scored her first success in Victoria at Richmond on July 25, when she started favourite for the seven furlongs Novice Handicap, and won all the way from Meddiesome and the West Australian gelding Wolfram. She was ridden by W. Oliver.

After his victory in the Ascot Gold Cup, Bayardo's winnings amounted to £43,704.

Research was withdrawn from the New Zealand Cup at 9.30 a.m. on Tuesday.

Neil Gow was taken to Ascot for the Derby, a well-endowed race, but was later on withdrawn, and sent home. As the race appeared to be at his mercy something must have happened to the colt after his arrival on the scene. The Ascot Derby was won by Decision, a Count Schomberg colt, owned by Lord Derby, and ridden by F. Wootton, whose suspension from riding ended just prior to this meeting, at which he had several mounts.

The Soult gelding Snowfoot, who was a disappointment in Melbourne recently, has been purchased by H. J. Robinson, who will give him a spell at Cornwell's place at Penrith before training him.

The following is a list of the final acceptors for the Australian Hurdle Race, to be run at Caulfield next Saturday:—Vernier 11.11, Obi 11.7, Kulkurna 10.11, Lord Desmond 10.9, Jewel Case 10.3, Treat 10.1, King's Ransom 10.9, Ripon 9.13, Coir 9.9, Minato 9.0, Eudulyea 9.0, Brownie 9.0, Louise 9.0.

C. Jenkins will ride Penates in the Winter Cup, for which event the son of Ruenalf is much fancied.

The Australian-bred Woolloomooloo is expected to make a much better showing at Riccarton than was the case at Wellington where his running was almost too bad to be true.

Faunus, who a couple of weeks back was a strong order for the Winter Cup, appears to be going out of favour.

Rosaline, the dam of Rosedrop, the winner of this year's Oaks, was sold at 23 guineas, and bought by the "Special Commissioner," who bred her to Trenton. Rosaline was got by Trenton from a Ben Or mare, and her daughter Rosedrop won the Oaks "pulling up."

A few months ago the English Jockey Club introduced a rule that "No weight be allowed to a horse in a handicap until it has run three times in the United Kingdom," and the latest files to hand from England give the news that the stewards had it down to be rescinded at their July meeting.

The time seems ripe for the formation of a sporting league in New Zealand. It would soon acquire a political importance and be a big factor at election time, with the result that Sir Joseph Ward and Messrs. Sidey, Arnold and others of that ilk would lose the votes of hundreds of people possessed of sporting instincts.—"Otago Witness."

AUCKLAND METROPOLITAN COMMITTEE.

The ordinary monthly meeting of the Auckland Metropolitan Committee was held on Tuesday evening, the Hon. E. Mitchelson presiding. Licenses were granted as follows:—Trainers: D. Bannatyne, P. Conway, Koss Heaton, G. Malcolm, P. McLoughlin, T. O'Connor, F. B. Ross, W. J. Tozer, C. H. Whale, E. Wylds, Henry Barr, H. French, W. G. Irwin, D. P. Moraghan, F. J. McManemin, W. Orange, William Sharp, James Twohill, J. Williamson, S. Hodge, W. J. Bowden, P. Jones, R. McMiken, F. Stenning, P. G. Walker, John Winder, W. Gall, C. W. Coleman, R. Hannon, C. Kelly, J. McHugh, E. J. Rae, W. H. Windsor, T. A. Williams, John Chaffe, jun. Jockeys: Herbert Barr, F. B. Collins, A. J. Feeney, W. M. McKinnon, F. L. Speakman, John Chaffe, jun., B. Deeley, A. Eriksen, J. O. E. Jones, A. J. Julian, Mark Ryan, T. Perry, James Brady, J. J. Conquest, F. Howard., A. McMillan, jun., J. J. Roach, W. H. Windsor, P. Brady, A. H. Cowan, M. Fraser, J. H. J. Percival, C. H. Scott, J. M. Buchanan, M. Deeble, B. G. Greenwood, Percy Major, F. T. Phillips, H. E. Sparkes, E. C. Browne, C. H. Percival, L. H. Coleman. Apprentice jockeys: A. Bowden, W. E. Percival, R. W. Brown, Joseph Ross, V. B. Collins, G. R. Stenning, J. B. O'Shea Henry Stockley. Gentlemen riders: H. G. Dingle, D. B. Gorrie. The programme of the Waikato Hunt Club's meeting, to be held on September 10, was passed.

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Messrs. Bedford, Taylor and Weston, Ltd., tender a final reminder to buyers that the hammer will be tapping at their sale in Sydney at 11 o'clock on Monday, 8th August next. Elaborate arrangements have been made to expedite all details in connection with the sale, and buyers may attend with every confidence that the horses will be sold on their merits. At a late hour Mr. A. Faithful, well known in the trotting world, booked a valuable consignment, and the principal vendors will be found in Messrs. W. B. Veirs, J. A. Buckland, F. D. Brown, G. A. Church, A. R. Tewkesbury, The Allendale Stock Farm, J. E. O'Brien, and C. J. Roberts, besides numerous others with equally fashionably-bred consignments. The supplementary catalogue is quite as interesting as the first, and any buyer who cannot purchase from it will indeed be hard to please. The sale promises to be the biggest of its kind yet held in the Commonwealth, and those in search of high-toned material should strain every point to be present.

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Racing Reviewed.

HAWKE'S BAY HUNT CLUB'S ANNUAL MEETING.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

The hunting brigade were real lucky to have such a favourable day granted them from a weather point of view as last Wednesday turned out to be, for the climate for a week before the venture was of a villainous nature, the natural result being that the going was a good deal on the heavy side. The attendance was up to the usual standard, and, judging by the business done by the pencilers, those present had come well prepared to back their fancies. Of the sixteen bookmakers licensed, one turned out a defaulter after Niwaru had won the Second Open Flat Race. He took liberties with Torpedo's daughter to the extent of stretching the odds against her, and when his clients rallied around for their "shekels," he had recourse to the ancient system of "balancing," returning them the amount of their investments, with a promise to pay in full at some future date—not specified. I have seen a few crowds who have been "balanced," but without doubt the punters who had patronised this particular bookie and therefore got beat, took their medicine with a better grace than I have ever seen before, not a murmur, not a fierce gesticulation, but they all lined up in a modest, reticent way to get their own coin refunded them. One—I suppose he would be called a keen backer, but who might easily be called by another name—went up with his ticket, and upon receiving the amount he had staked was handed back his pasteboard with the amount owing to him marked upon the back of it. He immediately set around on a hunt to get a pencil eraser, so that he could obliterate the markings on his ticket for the purpose of again making use of it, reckoning, I presume, that the pencil would be too hurried to notice the number on the ticket. His little plan missed, for pencil erasers were at a premium on the Hastings racecourse on Wednesday.

The executive of the organisation were on the spot in the administration of affairs, and therefore a pleasant afternoon was participated in by clients. Mr. Arthur Goodwin, who in years gone by trained for Mr. T. H. Lowry, and who has also filled the position of starter to some of the local racing clubs, dismissed the fields on their missions, and in the main his efforts were of an equitable nature.

Ruabon was a slightly better favourite than Watershed for the initial item, the Hunters' Bracelet Handicap Hurdle Race, but when it came to a finish the brace had no chance with Spaniard, who was the third selection, for, well handled by Mr. J. Ellingham, Torpedo's son conquered in a very easy style from the favourite. Spaniard is the property of that good sport, Mr. F. Armstrong, of Akitio, who has not won a race for some time. He was bred by the Douglas Brothers at Te Mahanga station, and trained by R. Gooseman. As a yearling the gelding was sold for 15 guineas. Like his full brother Espartero, Spaniard can gallop in a convincing style, and as he came at the right end of the two-mile route, conclusions point to him as a stayer.

Later on in the afternoon Spaniard came out again and proved invincible, his success being achieved in the Hunters' Flat Handicap, for which contest he was a solid favourite, and as the line was crossed there was only one in it, and that was the son of Torpedo. Watershed, who got second berth, is an aged son of Waluku. The third position was occupied by Rangitira, a five-year-old son of Te Hapuka and Black Rose, who had the services of Mr. George First. Amongst those lined out against Spaniard in this event, in addition to the placed horses, were Flavia, an aged mare by St. Ilario; Peaceful, a half-sister to Comfort, by Mahaki; and Ronald, a son of Strenuous and a Papapa mare. Spaniard was capably piloted by Mr. J. Ellingham, who was the only gentleman rider to pilot more than one victor during the afternoon.

Amato, who was turned out in good style, comfortably placed the First Open Flat to the credit of Messrs.

Lingmer and McKay. San Fran's son is a bit slow to get going, but is a desperate finisher, and though he was giving Artie 32 pounds and a good lead, he put in some telling strides in the last half-furlong, and the honours came his way by a good length from Daunt's son. Idealism, who was only a point behind Amato, the favourite, in the betting, finished a poor third. Artie, who is educated by the one-time well-known horseman, Dug. Watt, showed a big burst of speed for about six and a-half furlongs, but after that distance was compassed he could not go on. Centaur, who is now a stable comrade of Amato's, was never prominent.

Only a quartette weighed out for the Hunt Club Steeplechase, Oakley, who was well backed by his owner, Mr. F. Martin, maintaining the position of first choice from the time the numbers went up to flag fall. The Chief, who had secured this event last year, being the outsider of the party. At the double the second time around, Oakley, Yaldhurst and Ronda ran off, which gave The Chief who was labouring behind, his opportunity. He never turned his head at the obstacle, and though the other horses were got over quickly, Mr. H. Iago managed to land the ancient son of Jet d'Eau a victor by a length and a-half. Had the mishap not have occurred, I am inclined to the idea that the favourite would have got his quietus from Yaldhurst, an aged son of Strowan out of a Sou'-wester mare, owned by Mr. J. W. White, and trained by J. Munn, for the gelding was coming fast when he ran off. He made a very creditable display considering that he has only been in work a few weeks, and got second berth behind The Chief. It would be a libel to describe Yaldhurst as a beauty, but notwithstanding his plain appearance, he can go some, and there is not the slightest question his heart is in the right place.

Goldemar was quickly settled upon as the correct article for the Trial Hack Race, and the weight of metal from his supporters quickly made the price cramped regarding him. His supporters were doomed to disappointment, for the best he could do at the finish was to get third, the winner turning up in Waitoke, a good-looking filly by Waluku out of the Sir Launcelet mare Tire, bred by Mr. S. H. Gollan at Mangatarata station, and who last season was purchased for 20 guineas. Kithara, who ran into second place, is a two-year-old filly by Birkenhead out of Guitar, and had she left the mark as quickly as the winner, would have proved very troublesome. A stable chum of hers is Falsetto, who also carried the cense of the Hon. J. D. Ormond, was one of the runners, but her prospects were not so highly appraised as those of Kithara. Falsetto is a half-sister to Terror, Camelot, Trent and Sir Percival.

Of the eight weighed out for the Second Open Flat, Niwaru was always a firm first favourite, and, running up to expectations, experienced no difficulty whatever in landing the stake. Ortygia was second and Artie third. Amaru, one of the contentants, could not be expected to do justice to herself, for she has not been long in work, and ran as her appearance suggested she would. Raupare, though looking in good heart, was never prominent, and Seraphic, who was well supported by his owner, Mr. A. F. Douglas, never at any portion of the route possessed a winning chance.

For the Hunters' Final Steeplechase Ruabon was slightly a better favourite than ever, but the half-brother to Moifaa shaped in a very poor style over the big fences, and never seemed to be at ease in negotiating the obstacles. It was, practically speaking, a one-horse affair for Yasmak, who started at a remunerative price. She was first to get going, and, never giving the opposition the slightest opportunity to get on terms with her, scored an easy victory by three lengths from Ever, The Pebble third. The winner is a solid-looking aged daughter of Castor, and was prepared by R. Gooseman, who thus had the satisfaction of leading in three winners at the meeting. The only fall during the afternoon took place in this event, Ronda toppling over the last time around at the brush fence in the straight.

In the gentlemen class, Mr. J. Ellingham piloted a brace of winners, Messrs. H. Iago and A. McKenzie each scoring a success. Amongst the professionals the list was topped by W. Kirk with two winning mounts, E. Lane being the only other jockey to steer a victor.

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CANTERBURY.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

CHRISTCHURCH, August 2.

Grand National Steeplechase day on Tuesday next.

Wet Day was scratched for the Winter Cup at 5 p.m. on July 26.

A. Oliver will have the mount on Nyland in the Winter Cup.

Whatakura was scratched for all engagements at the National meeting at 10 a.m. on Friday last.

North-east, Tawhaki and Los Angeles are the ruling favourites for the Winter Cup. North-east won the race last year.

G. D. Greenwood will not race any of his horses at the Grand National meeting.

Te Aral, Capitol, Eurus and Le Beau, who competed in last year's Grand National Steeplechase, are considered certain starters in the big jumping race on Tuesday next. Te Aral, who started favourite last year, is likely to have a similar honour bestowed on him this year. Eurus, Le Beau and Capitol all came to grief in last year's race.

Nautiform, who is a likely starter in sprint events at Riccarton next week, was responsible for a good gallop over six furlongs a few mornings ago—1.19 is not bad for six furlongs in the winter.

North Island horses promise to play a prominent figure in the Grand National Steeplechase, Grand National Hurdle Race and Winter Cup. The favourites for these three events all hail from the sunny North.

Stone Ginger, who has yet to make a name for himself over steeplechase country, is showing splendid form over the big country at Riccarton. His connections are sweet on his chances for the Grand National Steeplechase, but somehow I think it is asking too much to expect a maiden performer to win the big steeplechase at the first attempt.

Bonny Glen and Los Angeles have been showing good form on the tracks during the past week. Local backers will give the pair solid support for any races they may start in at the meeting.

F. Holmes, the well-known local trainer, returned from his trip to America last week. He inspected some of the best-known trotting establishments, and completed arrangements for several highly-bred animals.

Tyrannic, Te Aral, Capitol, Le Beau and Stone Ginger have all shown good form over the steeplechase fences during the past week.

Miss Mischief, who was injured at the A.R.C. summer meeting, has again resumed work.

Cronstadt, the full brother to All Red, made his reappearance on the tracks yesterday. This horse has had nothing but bad luck since he commenced his racing career.

Only two members of Cutts' big team, Sharpshooter and Ploughshare, are likely to face the starter at the National meeting, but a strong contingent is in active work in view of early spring engagements. Sharpshooter has been responsible for some good gallops lately, and is sure to run well in any race he starts in next week.

Mauri and Milo, who each won a race at the North Canterbury meeting last week, have engagements at the National meeting. The former is a well-bred gelding by Sou'wester—Ideal, and should run well in hunters' hurdles races.

WANGANUI.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

WANGANUI, August 1.

Nominations for the Egmont-Wanganui Hunt Club meeting close on Saturday next, the 6th inst.

Crucinella is now on her way to Sydney, accompanied by a colt named Allure. The latter belongs to Mr. McBeath, owner of Crucinella, and is going over as a companion to the mare. He is reported to be very speedy, and will probably be given a race or two over there. As for Crucinella she is remarkably well, and all going well should give a good account of herself at Randwick. In all probability she will be started in both

the Epsom and Metropolitan Handicaps, though the latter is looked upon as her special mission. Murt Gardiner the well-known Waverley trainer, has gone over with the mare, and may be depended upon to land the crack at the post in the best possible condition.

Mr. Te Hikaka, of Normanby, has a fairly large string of horses under his charge, including: Tanekaha, a bay gelding by St. Paul from Thelma, who has already proved himself able to gallop; Nukuhau, a four-year-old by the same sire from Maria; a four-year-old brown gelding by Sylvia Park from a Vanguard mare; a half-brother, by St. Paul, to St. Claimer; a two-year-old half-sister to the Easter Handicap winner, Waiari; and a two-year-old brown filly by St. Clements. From the above Mr. Hikaka should pick up some of the crumbs during the season just entered upon.

Mahuta and North East have gone South for the C.J.C. Grand National meeting. Both have been doing good work on Mr. McManaway's private track, and should run prominently in their engagements.

It is understood that J. Lowe will take Gold Lace, and Effort over in the same boat as Crucinella.

The Wanganui Jockey Club have re-appointed Mr. George Morse handicapper, which, of course, was only to be expected after the great success which he has made of his work. Mr. Jas. Coombes was also re-appointed as starter, a position in which he gave every satisfaction.

The report and balance sheet presented to members of the Wanganui Jockey Club at the annual meeting on Wednesday night, showed that the club had had a successful season, from a financial point of view, the balance sheet disclosing a healthy state of affairs. Had it not been for the increased Government tax, and considerable expense connected with the Court proceedings in reference to the right-of-way question, the club would have had a record season financially, notwithstanding that the stakes had been increased materially. As it was, the net profit amounted to £609 6s 8d.

Mr. McManaway's Strathmoira, who has been spelling since the Auckland meeting, has been taken in hand again by Mr. King, and will be seen out at the Marton meeting, together with Pill, the three-year-old sister to Mahuta. King has put the tackle on a couple of youngsters, one by Kilcheran from Spring, and the other by Conqueror from Puti Put.

It was thought that Koran would probably be taken to Australia with Crucinella, but it was decided that the son of Pilgrim's Progress should be kept here, and he will be raced at the Marton meeting.

Alex. Hall has recovered from his recent attack of sciatica, and is about again.

Since returning from Trentham Waxy has been schooled over hurdles with a view to competing at the Egmont-Wanganui Hunt Club meeting. The brother to Seaman jumps splendidly, and should prove a success at the game.

WELLINGTON.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

WELLINGTON, August 1.

Local sporting enthusiasts are having their attention occupied with the approaching Grand National meeting at Riccarton, and there is sure to be a big exodus of turfites from this city when the final steamer leaves on Monday next.

The Hutt trainer C. Fritchard's little team for the Grand National meeting leaves for the scene of action by Tuesday's steamer and will consist of Penates, Penza, Mon Ami and Mediterranean. The quartet are all well forward and they are expected to worthily represent their owners in events at the gathering.

The Jet d'Eau gelding Hydrant has been engaged in several events at Riccarton, but the chestnut's visit South all depends on the state of the tracks. If Fritchard on arrival at headquarters finds that the going is suitable then the Century Hurdles winner of 1906 will be found amongst the runners at the fixture.

Mon Ami ran very creditably at Trentham in heavy going and if the tracks at Riccarton are a little more on the hard side then this bearer of Mr. R. Paterson's livery should be seen under favourable circumstances at the meeting.

Royal Marine has been pleasing D. Nyhan by his exertions on the old Hutt racecourse and the Royal Artillery gelding is expected to give an ex-

cellent account of himself in his Winter Cup engagement.

Up to the present no rider has been secured for Royal Marine in his Winter Cup engagement, but it is probable that S. Pere, who is attached to Mr. Prosser's stable, at Porirua, will pilot the Royal Artillery gelding at the meeting.

T. Fritchard will ride Penza in her Southern engagements and shrewd sporting folk are selecting this mare to beat more than will beat her in the Winter Cup.

Penates has been doing all that is asked of him and with a gallop or two at Riccarton the Ruenalf horse should be in the best of condition and fit enough to run out a good race such as the Winter Cup.

After his good showing at Trentham North-East has many admirers for his Winter Cup event, and turf critics are selecting this chestnut to repeat his performance of last year when he won the event named very comfortably.

W. Ryan left for Sydney on Friday last with Gold Lace and Effort. The pair have splendid credentials and they should worthily represent the Dominion in events across the Tasman Sea. The team will be joined by their trainer J. W. Lowe at the conclusion of the Riccarton carnival.

The Waverley trainer M. Gardiner left for Sydney by the s.s. Moana on Friday with Mr. W. F. McBeth's brilliant mare Crucinella, who is engaged in the Metropolitan Handicap at the A.J.C. spring meeting at Randwick in September. The daughter of San Francisco looks in splendid condition, and she should keep her opponents busily engaged in events that she competes in.

In addition to Crucinella Gardiner took with him a three-year-old gelding named Alure, by Handsome Jack from Remuera. This youngster gives promise of turning out useful and Gardiner anticipates that he will be capable of winning a race across the other side.

The Hon. J. D. Ormond's team for the Grand National meeting, consisting of Dreadless, Faunus and Audax, passed through Wellington by the s.s. Wimmera on Friday in charge of F. D. Jones and Rangit Thompson. Their trainer, S. Waddell, will journey down by a later steamer.

The San Fran gelding Mediterranean, who is locally owned by the sportsman who races as H. Whitney, has been engaged in events at Riccarton. So far this turf performer has failed to show any brilliancy, but he is said to be the makings of a useful sort and should soon make some amends for his past failures.

In a conversation with M. Gardiner, prior to leaving for Sydney, he informed the writer that so far no rider had been engaged to ride Crucinella in her Randwick engagements, but it was probable that A. Oliver would be secured, and failing him, an effort would be made to secure a prominent Victorian rider.

The local sport Mr. H. W. Parata has engaged St. Amelia in steeplechasing events at the Grand National meeting. The writer well remembers what a useful sort the dam of St. Amelia was, and coming from such a lepping family there does not seem any reason why St. Amelia should not develop into a typical chaser, as her jumping prowess is of a high order. A win for Mr. Parata would be well received in sporting circles.

During J. W. Lowe's absence in Australia the fortunes of the Endeavour Lodge stables, at Trentham, will be looked after by Mr. T. Allen and Mr. Ambrose, both of whom are well qualified for the positions allotted to them.

Iney continues to get through some excellent work at Trentham, and this Birkenhead mare should give a good account of herself in her Riccarton engagements.

Three valuable thoroughbreds arrived from England on Friday by the Rimutaka for the Hon. J. D. Ormond, of Hastings. They are the stallion Hymettus and two fillies. Hymettus is from the stud of Lord Marcus Beresford, and is a six-year-old chestnut horse by Cyllene from Sweet Balsam, by Friar's Balsam from Enderdale by Galliard from Thirlmere. Cyllene, the sire of Hymettus, is by Bona Vista from Arcadia, and the leading strains of blood in his pedigree are Bend Or, Doncaster and Isonomy. He was a good performer in England, and has also proved a great success at the stud. He was at the head of the list of winning sires in England last season, and has already sired three Derby winners. On one occasion Cyllene was sold for £37,500, and two years ago he again changed hands, that time at £25,000, the buyer being a South American. During the last sea-

son he was in England Cyllene's fee was 300 guineas.

The fillies that accompany Hymettus are Marty, by Martagon—Coster Girl, and a filly by Florizel II.—Gold Paste, both bred by Mr. Wm. Day, of Somerset. Martago, sire of Marty, is also the sire of Mr. J. F. Buchanan's Martain, and it is also interesting to note that Magic, who beat Bayardo at Goodwood on Thursday, is by Martagon. Florizel II., sire of the other filly, died in England last year after a useful career on the turf and at the stud.

Mr. J. H. Prosser, the Porirua trainer, has received an addition to his lengthy team by the arrival of Peter Pan, a colt by Stepniak from Armilla, and consequently a half brother to the brilliant Armlet. On breeding lines this promising youngster should develop into something above the ordinary.

The name of St. Petersburg has been bestowed on the Kilcheran—Neva colt which has just been placed in Prosser's hands to be prepared for his racing career. If looks count for anything then there should be a successful turf record in store for this youngster.

G. Price, private trainer for "Mr. Highden," leaves here for Riccarton on Wednesday with Nyland. The big fellow is reported in capital condition and in A. Oliver's hands the Finland gelding should run with some distinction in his Winter Cup engagement.

A two-year-old full brother to Multified, by Multifirm—Heriot, was taken over to Sydney with Lowe's other horses on Friday last to his owner Mr. Dan O'Brien, who is now domiciled in the New South Wales capital.

Iranui's projected trip to Australia has been abandoned as her owner Mr. F. Hall, of Gisborne, expresses the opinion that the A.J.C. handicapper held an altogether too exalted idea of the mare's capabilities, hence her withdrawal.

News from Randwick (Sydney) states that Artillerie is doing some excellent track work and there seems some prospects of the black mare doing her owners, the Messrs. Whitworth, some good service at the A.J.C. spring meeting.

Penza did a very serviceable gallop on Saturday morning, so much so that her prospects of winning a race at Riccarton appear very rosy.

NEW ZEALAND RACING STATISTICS.

"Pentagraph," of the "Referee," has brought out his annual budget of statistics bearing upon the New Zealand turf. The principal figures under the respective headings are as follow:—

WINNING SIRES.

The figures between parentheses indicate the number of winners of placed money each sire is responsible for.

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| Soult, by St. Simon (54) | 16,044 |
| Stepniak, by Nordenfeldt (56) | 12,903 |
| Birkenhead, by Orme (48) | 10,514 |
| Merrivee, by Bill of Portland (35) | 8,352 1/2 |
| Menschikoff, by Stepniak (19) | 6,072 1/2 |
| Finland, by Bill of Portland (16) | 6,062 1/2 |
| San Fran, by Gozo (25) | 5,629 |
| St. Paul, by St. Leger (20) | 4,980 |
| Seaton Delaval, by Melton (18) .. | 4,387 |
| Leolantis, by Leolinus (16) | 4,373 1/2 |
| Multiform, by Hotchkiss (16) | 4,138 1/2 |
| Clanranald, by St. Leger (12) | 4,087 |
| Gold Reef, by Bend Or (14) | 4,066 1/2 |
| Pilgrim's Progress, by Isonomy (15) .. | — |
| Obligado, by Orville (21) | 3,366 |
| Advance, by Vanguard (10) | 3,331 |

WINNING HORSES.

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| Fomby, by Birkenhead | £ 2,610 |
| Elysian, by Soult | 2,217 1/4 |
| All Red, by Stepniak | 2,075 |
| Lady Lucy, by Seaton Delaval .. | 2,010 |
| Sedition, by Soult | 1,960 |
| Danube, by Martain | 1,900 |
| Gold Lace, by Gold Reef | 1,800 |
| Lady Medallist, by St. Alwyn | 1,760 |
| Armlet, by Menschikoff | 1,690 |
| Aberbrothock, by Papakura | 1,640 |
| Ringdove (imp.), by Collar | 1,575 |
| Penates, by Ruenalf | 1,475 |
| Polymorphus, by Multifirm | 1,469 |
| Bobrikoff, by Bill of Portland | 1,385 |
| Bobrikoff, by Finland | 1,385 |
| Madam Madcap, by Treadmill | 1,325 |
| Crucinella, by San Francisco | 1,300 |
| Milan, by St. Ambrose | 1,290 |

WINNING OWNERS.

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| Sir Geo. Clifford (Canterbury) .. | £ 7,774 |
| Hon. J. D. Ormond (Hawke's Bay) .. | 6,493 1/4 |
| Mr. G. D. Greenwood (Canterbury) .. | 5,195 |
| Mr. E. J. Watt (Hawke's Bay) .. | 4,660 |
| Mr. T. H. Lowry (Hawke's Bay) .. | 3,627 |
| "Mr. Highden" (Wellington) | 3,328 |
| Mr. J. Buckley (Canterbury) | 3,093 |
| Mr. F. Hall (Gisborne) | 3,055 |
| Mesdames Foss and Steuart (Auckland) | 3,052 |
| Mr. J. H. Prosser (Wellington) .. | 2,665 |
| Mr. F. Preston (Wanganui) | 2,320 |
| Mr. J. C. N. Grigg (Canterbury) .. | 2,127 |
| Mr. F. Tilley (Wellington) | 2,070 |
| Mr. D. Butck (Wellington) | 1,913 |
| Messrs. W. G. and G. L. Stead (Canterbury) | 1,900 |
| Mr. Middleton Melrose (Wellington) .. | 1,748 |

TURF RESULTS.

THE TURF IN ENGLAND.

RESULT OF GOODWOOD CUP.

At the Goodwood meeting on Thursday the following was the result of the principal event—

THE GOODWOOD CUP. Two miles and a-half.

- Mr. H. E. Beddington's ch c Magic, 3yrs, by Martagon—Sesame 1
- Mr. Fairie's b h Bayardo, 4yrs, by Bay Ronald—Galicia 2
- Mr J. A. de Rothschild's gr f Bud, 3yrs, by William III.—Sweet Hilda 3

THE HAWKE'S BAY HUNT CLUB'S MEETING.

The Hawke's Bay Hunt Club's annual steeplechase meeting was held at Hastings on Wednesday. The weather was fine, and there was a fair attendance. The going was heavy. Sixteen bookmakers were licensed. Results:—

HUNTERS' BRACELET HANDICAP HURDLE RACE, two miles.—Spaniard 11.4, 1; Ruabon 12.5, 2; Watershed 11.0, 3. Also started: Rechabite, Alumina, Ever Ronald, Mahara. Won comfortably by two lengths. Time, 4min 16sec.

FIRST OPEN FLAT RACE, seven furlongs.—Amato 11.4 (Kirk), 1; Artie 9.0, 2; Idealism 11.4, 3. Also started: Centaur, Merriwing, Appin. Won by three lengths. Time, 1min 37sec.

HAWKE'S BAY HUNT CLUB STEEPLCHASE, two miles and a-quarter.—The Chief 12.7, 1; Yaldhurst 11.0, 2; Oakley 11.2, 3. Also started: Ronda. All but the winner ran round the second fence from home. Won by six lengths. Time, 5min 55sec.

TRIAL HACK RACE, five furlongs.—Waikoki 9.3 (E. Lowe), 1; Kithara 9.3, 2; Goldemar 9.1, 3. Also started: Viola, Boyne Water, Castle-side, Shoemaker, Faisetto, Entente. Won by two lengths. Time, 1min 3sec.

HUNTERS' FLAT RACE HANDICAP, one mile and a-half.—Spaniard 11.5, 1; Watershed 11.0, 2; Rangitira 11.7, 3. Also started: Peaceful, Flavia, Ronald. Won easily. Time, 2min 59sec.

SECOND OPEN FLAT RACE.—Niwaru 9.0 (W. Kirk), 1; Ortygia 9.10, 2; Artie 9.0, 3. Also started: Amaru, Ruapare, Seraphic, Andrew Mack, Ultimaton. Won easily. Time, 1min 23sec.

HUNTERS' FINAL STEEPLCHASE HANDICAP, two miles.—Yashmak 11.0, 1; Ever 11.0, 2; The Pebble 11.3, 3. Also started: Ruabon, Ronda, Rechabite, Diana. Won by three lengths. Time, 4min 41sec.

NOMINATIONS, HANDICAPS AND ACCEPTANCES.

HANDICAPS.

CANTERBURY JOCKEY CLUB'S GRAND NATIONAL MEETING.

HUNTERS' HURDLES.—Totika 11.1, Spaniard 11.4, Canton 11.2, Mauri 11.0, Hydroscope 10.11, Howick 10.10, St. Amelia 10.8, King of Trumps 10.6, Lady Emmett 10.5, Strayfox 10.5, Kingsway 10.5, Garrison 10.6, Eustaine 10.4, Silver King 10.2, Red King 10.2, Kallua 10.0, Dragoon 10.0, Roan Banner 10.0, Slow Meg 10.0, Kaituna 10.0, Hurdal 10.0.

TRIAL HURDLES.—Oxton 11.9, Mahuta 11.2, Woolloomooloo 11.1, White Cockade 11.0, Master Paul 10.13, Outlander 10.12, Jack Ashore 10.9, Kremlin 10.8, Fandango 9.9, Arc Light 9.5, Rosegrove 9.0, Havelock 9.0, Pakau 9.0, Appin 9.0.

JUMPERS' FLAT RACE.—Paisano 12.6, Compass 11.2, Paritutu 10.13, Prophet 10.10, Stayboy 10.6, Woolloomooloo 10.5, Waitapu 10.2, Gold Bird 9.13, Nova 9.8, Arc Light 9.7, Rifle Range 9.6, Rosegrove 9.0, Hydrant 9.0, Southern Cross 9.0, Explosive 9.0, Lionheart 9.0, Northern Star 9.0, Prospector 9.0, Canton 9.0.

ENFIELD STEEPLCHASE.—Honest Tom 10.10, Maidi 10.9, Full Cry 10.9, Exmoor 10.9, Deerslayer 10.7, Glengariff 10.0, Corona 9.10, Ratepayer 9.8, Ivan 9.7, Ever 9.7, Kingsway 9.7, Thunderstorm 9.7, Circus Girl 9.7, Napoleon 9.7, St. Amelia 9.7.

AVONHEAD HANDICAP.—Brasenose 11.0, Guinforte 10.13, Iney 10.9, Eifish 10.9, Umeraby 10.8, Stourton 10.5, Adage 9.13, Coroniform 9.13, Scotch Plaid 9.13, Ideate 9.11, Luperin 9.9, Ploughshare 9.9, Mag-neto 9.8, Tyrant 9.7, Inchbonny 9.6, Brillancy 9.6, Busyland 9.4, Bourbon 9.3, Bercola 9.3, Manchester 9.2, Night Light 9.2, Kilts 9.2, Claymore 9.1, Freak 9.1, Windward 9.0, Canterbury 9.0, Obligate 9.0, Clanmena 9.0, Farley Grove 9.0, Eaglestone 9.0, Tahu 9.0, Simon Pure 9.0, Full of Trumps 9.0, Mediterranean 9.0, Otakio 9.0.

MR. WREN'S NEW HANDICAPPER.

Mr. J. Wren, the well-known racing promoter of Melbourne, has recently appointed Mr. W. A. Menzies, handicapper for the V.R.C., to perform similar duties for his Ascot, Richmond and Fitzroy clubs. Concerning Mr. A. J. Gray, the retiring handicapper, the Melbourne "Sporting and Dramatic News" makes the following observations:—"Handicappers are born, not made, and therefore it is with regret that we notice that Mr. Alf. J. Gray, the popular secretary of the Melbourne Trotting Club, as well as of the Ascot, Richmond and Fitzroy clubs, has at last found his multi-

tudinous duties too many for him, and has been compelled to resign the position as handicapper of the Ascot, Richmond and Fitzroy clubs. After four years of successful work as weight-adjuster, the phenomenal growth of the business connected with the courses under the management of Mr. Wren has forced this step upon him. The combined positions of secretary and handicapper are too strenuous for one man's brains altogether. As handicapper, Mr. Gray's idea was to give such horse just the weight that should bring the fields up to the winning-post practically together, and to this end he would not let the maidens in on too light a scale, while winners were properly penalised. The result of this scientific system of handicapping is that splendid contests and exciting finishes have been the rule rather than the exception, and all we can say is that if the new weight-adjuster can only approach the high standard of racing set in the past he will be deserving of all praise; but the task is in front of him." In connection with Mr. Gray's work as handicapper, he introduced a method of photographing the finish of every race, and by means of the pictures, which were pasted in a record book for reference, he could always tell for certain how the various races were won. It was probably due to this simple yet clever system that such noted success was achieved by Mr. Gray in the past. This gentleman retains his position as secretarial controller of all the clubs named, whose scope of influence and usefulness in the promotion of the sport of racing are rapidly increasing.

The old politician lay "speechless" in bed; His cold was so bad that he got no repose. He scarcely could think how to "act," it is said, To follow the "ayes," or to run with the "noes." "That cough I'd "unseat," and the illness "defeat." With no "want of confidence" sure! And the "speaker," true friend, his health did "amend." With Woods' Great Peppermint Cure.



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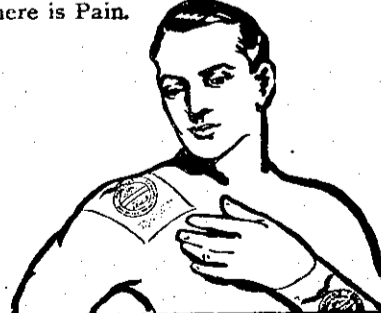
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BILLIARDS.

ROBERTS v. LINDRUM.

AUSTRALIAN GOING WELL.

The second meeting of Roberts and Lindrum has been made more interesting than their opening game at Melbourne, (says the "Referee.") In their previous bout, Lindrum raced away in the front after the second day, and won by 5,704; but has fallen away somewhat in this venture, although at time of writing Roberts is over a thousand behind his points. Both players have had their purple periods—Roberts on Friday with ten breaks over the hundred, and such figures as 414, 369, and 364 on other days; while Monday saw Lindrum at something like his Melbourne form. In the afternoon he secured 625 to Roberts' 123, with an average of 125; and at night 625 to opponent's 485—or 1250 to 608 for the day, despite the big run of 414 by Roberts. The most remarkable feature of the game is that, for some reason which the youth does not care to explain, he has not played the red loser to any extent, almost all his points coming from top-of-table play. Following are the details:—

THE PLAY—FIRST HALF.

Friday.—Roberts scored 1500, Lindrum 957. Breaks: Roberts, 68, 84, 75, 82, 117, 139, 68, 58, 50, 55, 68, 142, 139, 112, 45, 77, and 15 unfinished; Lindrum, 69, 61, 66, 92, 46, 58, 51, 73, 59, 69, 72. Scores: Lindrum, 3957; Roberts, 1500. Averages: Roberts, 32.28; Lindrum, 20.37.

Saturday.—Roberts scored 750, Lindrum 907. Breaks: Roberts, 100 (full), 271, 81, 116; Lindrum, 86, 283, 69, 70, 102, 143, 72. Scores: Roberts, 2250; Lindrum, 4864. Averages: Roberts, 39.9; Lindrum, 49.6.

Monday.—Roberts scored 1501, Lindrum 871. Breaks: Roberts, 158

(full), 78, 57, 55, 51, 364, 248, 75, 72, 58, and 37 unfinished; Lindrum, 129, 125, 92, 71, 131, 89, 45. Scores: Roberts, 3751; Lindrum, 5735. Averages: Roberts, 88.5; Lindrum, 34.5. Tuesday.—Roberts scored 1449, Lindrum 1514. Breaks: Roberts, 64 (full), 121, 177, 64, 137, 163, 63, 97, 53, 167; Lindrum, 58, 128, 72, 109, 229, 116, 125, 63, 155, 65. Scores: Roberts, 5250; Lindrum, 7249. Averages: Roberts, 29.98; Lindrum, 30.28.

Wednesday.—Lindrum scored 1377; Roberts 1274. Breaks: Lindrum, 204, 98, 74, 60, 50, 227, 109, 90, 57; Roberts, 125, 107, 105, 70, 298, 139, 86, 75, and 54. Scores: Lindrum, 8626; Roberts, 6524. Averages: Lindrum, 39.34; Roberts 36.4.

Thursday.—Lindrum scored 1249, Roberts 1336. Breaks: Lindrum, 83, 108, 68, 64, 102, 54, 57, 82, 183, 55 unfinished; Roberts, 68, 102, 298, 190, 56, 61, 53, 84, 121. Scores: Lindrum, 9875; Roberts, 7860. Averages: Lindrum, 30.46; Roberts, 32.58.

Friday Afternoon.—Lindrum scored 625, Roberts 838. Breaks: Lindrum, 175, 185, 144; Roberts: 129, 119, 108, 59, 57, 151, 137. Averages: Lindrum, 41.66; Roberts, 55.86.

HALF-WAY SCORES.

F. Lindrum (receives 3000) 10,500
John Roberts 8,698

Roberts, 302 points behind sessional points. Averages for first half of game: Lindrum, 32.32; Roberts, 37.49.

THE SECOND HALF.

Friday Night.—Lindrum scored 625, Roberts 837. Breaks: Lindrum, 91, 164, 211; Roberts, 127, 128, 110, 122, 201. Scores: Lindrum, 11,125; Roberts, 9535. Averages: Lindrum, 32.89; Roberts, 44.05.

Saturday.—Lindrum scored 625, Roberts 777. Breaks: Lindrum 118 (full), 96, 31, 51, 192, 77 unfinished; Roberts, 30, 20, 47, 235, 50, 377. Scores: Lindrum 11,750; Roberts, 10,312. Averages: Lindrum, 39.1; Roberts, 48.9.

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Monday.—Lindrum scored 1251, Roberts 608. Breaks: Lindrum 133 (full), 46, 69, 315, 62, 248, 130, 69 (unfinished); Roberts, 31, 58, 23, 57, 414. Scores: Lindrum, 13,000; Roberts, 10,930. Averages: Lindrum, 89.28; Roberts, 43.42.

The great feature of Tuesday's play was a magnificent break of 384 by the young Australian after a colourless display in the early part of the session. Up to 246 it was a flawless compilation, with only four strokes in hand. At that number a lucky fluke into the middle pocket enabled him to continue until "knocking-off" time, when he was still going strong. The usual fate of the unfinished break ended, Lindrum failed after adding 30, the break terminating at 380. Not to be outdone, Roberts put in a neat 255, when a palpable "push" stroke was successfully appealed for by Lindrum, 102 by Lindrum, and 260 by Roberts, kept the large crowd in good humour. Lindrum had had luck in breaking down on a fast 120, put together in best style, but, getting in again after 2 by Roberts, a hazard 97 brought him nearer home. A bout of safety play ensued, with the "one-miss" rule of the B.C.C. almost being infringed. After some slow play Lindrum reached his points with 17 unfinished, the closing scores being:

F. Lindrum (in play) 14,250
John Roberts 12,204

Roberts is 1296 behind his points. Averages: Lindrum 27.4; Roberts 32.4. The game finishes on Friday evening.

The match is being played on a table by Alcock and Co., at their New Tournament all, Billiards Limited, George Street, with Bonzoline balls.

John Roberts and Fred Weiss were to commence a match of 12,000 up at Alcock's Tournament Hall, George Street, on Monday. Weiss is to receive 2000 start, and if the Englishman is in the form that characterised his play during the sessions that closed last week's play, he will surely keep Weiss very quiet. Roberts and Weiss are very old friends, and were playing partners a couple of years back on the arc oval tables; in fact, they were the only pair that could put up attractive games on the freak.

At the half-way stage of their present game Lindrum led Roberts by 1802 points, or 302 more than if Roberts had reached his proper quota of sessional points. It meant that Lindrum had reached his points with Roberts 302 behind his. To get those figures Lindrum averaged 32.32, as against 39 for the whole game at Melbourne. Roberts' showing in this game in the half-way stage was a decided improvement on his Victorian showing, for whereas he averaged 37.49 last week, he could only manage 32.1 in the former game. But 384 visits were made by the players during the whole of the Melbourne game as against 232 at the half-way stage in the Sydney game. The falling away has been Lindrum's, who is likely to come out of the bout with a much reduced average; while Roberts, if he keeps going, will do almost as well from an average standpoint as Lindrum did at Melbourne—viz., 39.

John Roberts made an offer of a one hundred guineas cup to the N.S.W. Amateur Billiard Association for this year's championship, provided the event was played under Billiards Control Club rules. The hon. sec., in his letter of thanks declining the offer, informed Mr. Roberts that the Association did not give trophies exceeding five guineas in value. The fact of the Association being affiliated to the British Billiard Association also stopped out the generous offer, which is appreciated if not accepted.

During the game between Lindrum and Roberts the former requested a change of balls, as he stated that his ball was slightly chipped. An inspection revealed a hole about the size of a pin-head, and the change was made, Roberts taking the defective ball. As the veteran put together four breaks over the hundred, and one of 201 almost immediately, there could not have been much the matter with the ball.

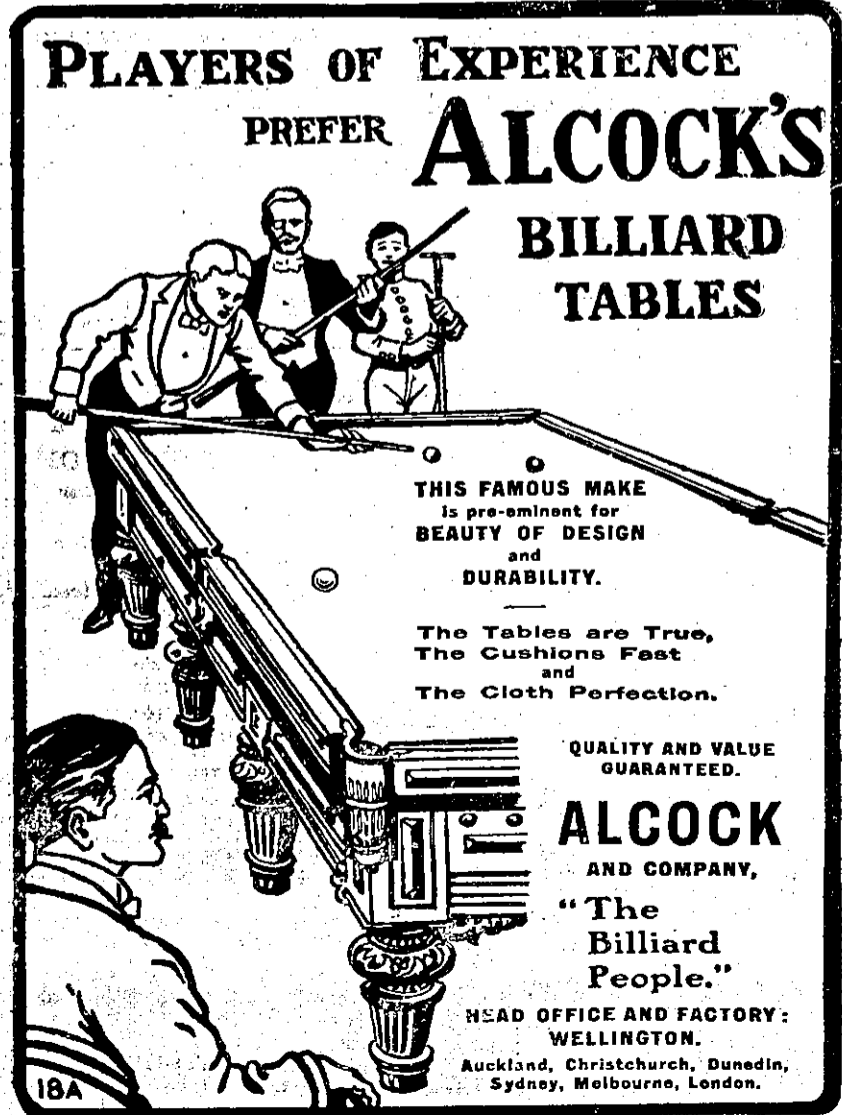
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CYCLING AND MOTOR NOTES.

The Beverley-Perth Road Race (116 miles), which is held annually for the purpose of selecting the West Australian representative for the Dunlop Co.'s "Warrnambool," will this year be held on September 3rd, which date allows ample time for West Australian riders to reach Melbourne and recover from the sea-trip. Arrangements are also in hand for the holding of the annual Hobart-Launceston Test Race.

Further world's records have recently been established on the fine speed track at Los Angeles (California), by J. Derosier, who raised the world's motor cycle record from 71 miles 620 yards to 74 miles 667 yards. Derosier also secured the 25-mile record in 19mins. 29secs; 50 miles in 39mins. 13 1-3rd secs; 75 miles in 61mins. 29secs; and 100 miles in 1hr. 26mins. 14 4-5th secs, and these figures would have been some minutes less but that Derosier ran out of petrol in the 99th mile, and rather than waste time refilling the petrol tank he pushed his 7-h.p. Indian machine to the finish. The car record for the century is 1hr. 6min 53 2-5sec, established by C. M. Smith at Brooklands last year, whilst the hour figures are 89 miles 892 yards by the same driver.

Word is to hand from America that the Australian champion, A. J. Clark, is riding in brilliant form since his return to America from Europe. His most recent performance include two world's records, a competition handi-cap mile in 1min 46sec from scratch, and a 4-Miles Scratch in 8min 16sec. Clark must be "flying" to accomplish these fast times.

The growth of the use of the motor car in Victoria has been very rapid of recent years. Ten years ago there were only five or six cars in the State, to-day there are well over 1,600 cars registered in Victoria, to say nothing of 1,200 motor cycles, of a total value of about £700,000. The licensing fees paid this year for cars and motor cycles have contributed about £2,200 to the Victorian Treasury; over 3,000 driving licenses have been taken out.

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BOXING.

THE NEW ZEALAND AMATEUR BOXING CHAMPIONSHIPS.

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THE OPENING NIGHT.

The New Zealand amateur boxing championships were held at Palmerston North on Wednesday and Thursday last under the jurisdiction of the Manawatu Boxing Association, the Opera House on both evenings being well filled. All arrangements were carried out in an expeditious manner, for which the following officials are deserving of no little praise:—Judges: Dr. Napier McLean and Mr. T. Sharpin (Ashburton). Referee: T. J. Fake; secretary, Mr. W. F. Hankins (who supervised the tournament and also announced the judges' decisions); Dr. O'Brien, president of the New Zealand Boxing Association; time-keeper, Messrs. A. J. Mahon and W. Randall; Mr. W. Beauchamp Platts (who acted as ten-second check). On the opening night the results were as follows:—

FIRST ROUND.

Heavy-weights.—A. Pooley (Auckland) 11.6, beat W. Robertson (Christchurch), 12.10.

Middle-weights.—G. Matthewson (Otago) 11.2, beat E. Geale (Manawatu), 11.2½. L. Cade (Christ-

HOW THE COMPETITORS SHAPED.

The proceedings were well opened by a spirited three rounds between A. Havill, the local feather-weight, and T. Kerr, the Nelson representative. The Nelsonian, a nuggety lad put plenty of heart into his work and had all the best of the first round. Havill did not appear to his usual advantage till the last round, when he had the best of several exchanges. On the whole Kerr had decidedly the better of the bout, and the ringside judges coincided in that opinion.

E. Geale (Manawatu) and G. Matthewson (Otago) put up an indifferent bout in the middle-weights. The Southerner's superiority was early demonstrated, and he was able to pile up points without doing his opponent any damage. A boxer of the cool, calm order, whom nothing could perturb, he quite outclassed Geale, who seemed to be nervous. Matthewson showed some neat boxing, and he was adjudged the winner.

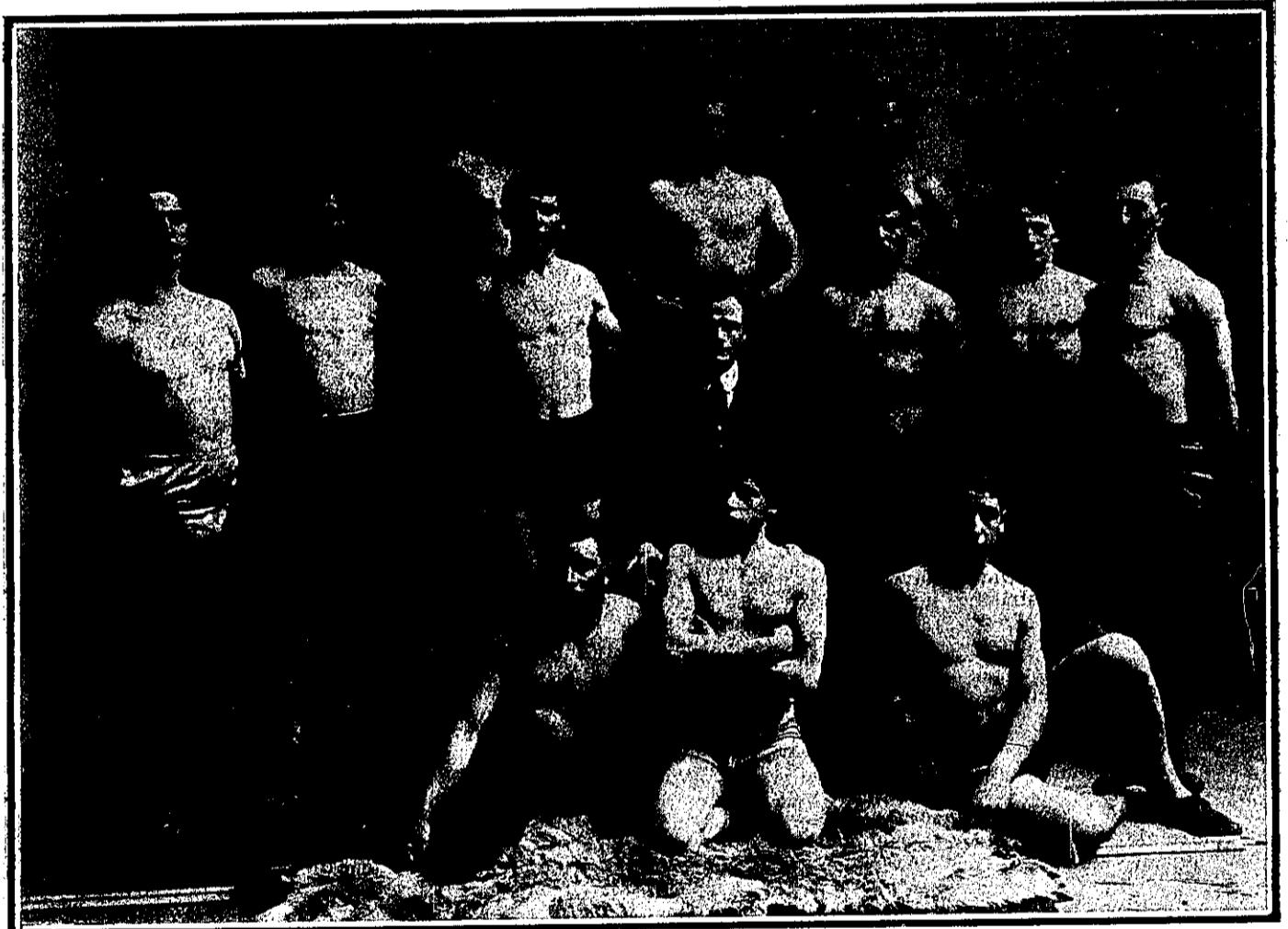
Two game lads—A. T. Griffin (Christchurch) and M. Ongley (Otago)—served to introduce the welter-weights, and right well was this division commenced. Ongley's stock-in-trade principally comprised an ugly left, but his defence left much to be desired. Griffin had no difficulty in penetrating it in the first round, and the Otago man sought respite by going down three times, once for nine seconds. He was obviously groggy at the end of the round, but he had plenty of pluck, and came up smiling for the next encounter. Mak-

The judges had no doubt about the result.

L. Ross (Auckland) and R. Simpson (Christchurch) held the floor for a brief interval, of which the Christchurch representative had the best. Ross was down repeatedly, and the referee eventually stopped the contest, an old ankle weakness making it impossible for the Auckland to go on. Ross wasted a lot of time appealing to the referee, and his trouble started when on one occasion he claimed a foul and dropped his hands while doing so.

W. Shields (Manawatu) and E. T. Gundry (Christchurch) put up one of the best performances of the evening. Perfectly matched, and of the same type of physique, their bout was characterised by some really excellent boxing. Shields undoubtedly had the best of the encounter. Using either hand with equal facility he never missed a chance. His body blows frequently took effect, and generally he gave a very satisfying display. His opponent was not far behind him in skill, and made things willing towards the end of the bout. The judges again disagreed, and on appeal to him the referee asked for a fourth round, at the conclusion of which he declared Shields the winner.

The meeting between J. H. Finnerty (Southland) and A. Farquharson (Otago) was rather sensational. Finnerty was the holder of the N.Z. championship in light-weights, and had an advantage of five pounds in weight over Farquharson, whose reach and height were in his favour.



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church) won by default from J. Kronast (Wellington).

Welter-weights.—M. Ongley (Otago), 10.5, beat A. T. Griffin (Christchurch), 10.2.

Light-weights.—R. Simpson (Christchurch), 9.11, beat L. Ross (Auckland), 9.7. A. Farquharson (Otago), 9.3, beat J. H. Finnerty (Southland), 9.8.

Feather-weights.—T. Kerr (Nelson), 8.12, beat A. Havill (Manawatu), 8.11. E. Watkins (Auckland), won by default from C. White (Westport). W. Shields (Manawatu), 8.10, beat E. T. Gundry (Christchurch), 8.11. J. Thompson (Southland) won by default from T. Moran (Wellington).

Bantam-weights.—B. Ellis (Wellington), 8.0½, beat C. Chisnall (Christchurch), 8.2. S. Woods (Taranaki), 8.2, beat S. Dawson (Manawatu), 8.2.

SECOND ROUND.

Heavy-weights.—P. Rustin (Otago), 12.4, beat M. Ryan (Southland), 13.7.

Middle-weights.—A. Lister (Tamaru), 11.0, beat J. Dalziel (Manawatu), 11.1.

Welter-weights.—G. Watchorn (Manawatu), 10.8, beat R. Alford (Southland), 10.4.

Light-weights.—Spi Thomas (Manawatu) won by default from C. White (Westport).

ing a remarkable recovery, Ongley held his own in the second round, and did considerable damage with his left in the third. Griffin, however, boxed cleverly, sending his hooks with the right and left alternately. The judges were unable to separate the men, and the referee had to be called on. He decided in favour of Ongley, a result which was hailed with applause in recognition of the Otago man's grit in sticking to his task when he had apparently little chance.

B. Ellis, the Rongotea bantam, representing Wellington, and C. Chisnall (Christchurch) took the ring. Ellis kept pegging away at his man, who took the count three times in the second round, and was knocked to the ropes in the third encounter. Chisnall hung too long in the clinches, and seemed to be looking for relief in this direction. He has plenty of grit, however, and in the third round showed up to advantage momentarily. The contest went easily to Ellis, who showed himself to be essentially a fighter, following up every opening and making the boxing doggedly.

The first heavy-weights—A. Pooley (Auckland) and W. Robertson (Christchurch)—did not give a very scientific display. The Auckland early had his opponent in difficulties, Robertson frequently going down.

The latter took things very coolly, and though the champion got in one or two blows, and several times essayed an uppercut which failed to effect its purpose, his opponent had him in difficulties. A sharp hook to the point put the champion down, and he was only saved by the gong. Early in the second round Farquharson repeated his performance, and the referee very properly stopped the bout, giving the decision to Farquharson.

S. Woods (Taranaki) and S. Dawson (Manawatu) provided an interesting display in the bantams. The local man was the more powerful of the two, and put plenty of force into his work. The Taranaki boy is a very stylish boxer, with a fine guard. On this account Dawson's right and left swings mostly failed to connect, though he was more successful with body blows. Woods did a lot of leading, and he got the verdict.

Giving away a stone and three pounds to M. Ryan (Southland), the holder of the N.Z. heavyweight championship, another game Otago man, P. Rustin, essayed to wrest the premiership from the holder, and succeeded after a capital bout. Rustin was easily the cleverer boxer. He kept a persistent right going throughout, varying the monotony with an occasional left hook. After a fourth

round the referee gave the bout to Rustin.

A. Lister (Timaru) made short work of J. Dalziel (Manawatu). The former is a boxer of the rushing order, and in the first round he put in a solid right to the point that justified the referee in stopping the bout and awarding him the verdict before the gong sounded the end of the first round.

The welter champion, G. Watchorn (Manawatu), beat A. Alford (Southland) after a pleasing three rounds. Watchorn was the quicker of the two and did a lot of leading. Alford was down for eight or nine seconds during the contest.

NOTES ON THE BOXING.

Referring to the first evening's sport, the "Manawatu Evening Standard" has the following to say:—

Taken on the whole the boxing was not up to championship standard. There were some good clean bouts, but in others more might have been expected from district representatives. A feature of the evening was the decisive manner in which the heavy and light-weight champions were put out by new aspirants for inter-colonial honours.

The audience was a very large one, and with one exception applauded impartially throughout the evening. A slight and quite unjustifiable demonstration was made at the decision—the first of the evening—in the Kerr-Havill contest.

The question whether the referee should view the proceedings from inside or outside the ring has been keenly canvassed in boxing circles. During the discussion at the conference Mr. Ongley, representing Oamaru, Mr. Greenhough for the Northern Association, and Mr. P. Smith (Manawatu) spoke strongly in favour of the referee being within the ring. Mr. Fake, the referee, remained outside the arena in deference to the opinions that have been expressed. He found that he could not see more than half the work done in the ring, and states that he would not undertake to act outside the ring again after the present championships. He undoubtedly seemed to be at a disadvantage. An incident occurred which supports his opinion that the referee's place is with the men. In the contest between Ross (Auckland) and Simpson (Christchurch), Ross claimed a foul, and dropped his hands (a foolish habit). He was immediately struck a severe blow. His appeal was disallowed. Had the referee been inside the ring Simpson would have been prevented from striking until the claim had been decided. This prevented one good contest being completed.

THE FINAL NIGHT.

The N.Z. championships were concluded on Thursday evening, when the bouts were far superior to those of the opening night. The results were as follows:—

Bantam-weight.—Final: B. Ellis (Wellington), 8st 0½lb, beat S. Woods (Taranaki), 8st 2lb.

Feather-weight.—Semi-final: F. Kerr (Nelson) beat E. Watkins (Auckland), W. D. Shields (Manawatu) beat J. Thompson (Southland). Final: F. Kerr (Nelson), 8st 12lb, beat W. D. Shields (Manawatu), 8st 10lb.

Light-weights.—Semi-final Spi Thomas (Manawatu) beat A. Farquharson (Otago). Final: R. Simpson (Christchurch), 9st 11lb, beat Spi Thomas (Manawatu), 9st 7lb.

Welter-weights.—Final: G. Watchorn (Manawatu), 10st 8lb, beat M. Ongley (Otago), 10st 8lb (knock out).

Middle-weights.—Semi-final: L. Cade (Christchurch) beat A. Lister (Timaru). Final: G. Matthewson (Otago), 11st 2lb, beat L. Cade (Christchurch), 11st 1lb.

Heavy-weights.—Final: A. Pooley (Auckland), 11st 6lb, beat P. Rustin (Otago), 12st 4lb.

PARTICULARS OF THE BOUTS.

The first final was between G. Ellis (Wellington) and Woods (Taranaki) in the bantam division. Woods is only a boy, and has little experience behind him. His guard was weak, and had it not been for his sportsmanlike opponent he would have been severely punished. Ellis was content to score on points, and won easily. He was given three cheers for his action.

A good deal was expected of Rustin, of Otago, after his defeat of the heavy-weight champion, Ryan, on the previous night, but he did not show to any advantage against Pooley, the

promising Auckland, who got all over him, and won easily.

The light-weight final produced a hot encounter between Spi Thomas, of Manawatu (better known as "Gnat" Williams) and Simpson, the Canterbury crack. Thomas had already beaten Farquharson, who caused a sensation by ousting Finnerty, last year's champion. The Canterbury man met the toughest proposition he had yet encountered, and for two rounds the fight was even. Thomas' defence consisted of a series of duckings, which were successful so long as Simpson's upper-cut stayed at home. In the last round the Canterbury crack repeatedly got home with swinging rights and an occasional left. There was no doubt about the decision, and Simpson's succession to the championship was a popular one.

Geoff Watchorn had no difficulty in retaining his laurels against Ongley, who put up a very plucky fight. The first round was sufficient for the Otago lad. His defence was too elementary, and he failed to stop a series of right and left excursions to his chin, which ended in a count-out.

Cade (Christchurch) defeated Lister (Timaru) in the middle-weights, and then met Matthewson (Otago) in the final. He was much the smaller of the two, and had nothing to fight with except an upper-cut and peculiar lunge. Matthewson's length of arm and science easily kept him in the lead, and the referee stopped an uneven contest in the last round, when the Otago man was piling on points at an unpleasant rate.

The final bout of the evening was for the feather-weight championship, Kerr, of Nelson, meeting Shields, the present holder. The Nelson boy had the advantage in weight, and was quite equal to his opponent. Both boys went strong from the jump, and the first round was a hot one. The fighters were very affectionate, and the referee had continuously to separate them. The end of the second round saw honours even, and the third was about the hottest of the evening. Shields ducked effectively, but got a couple of very hot cracks on the head. The judges disagreed, and the referee ordered another round. Shields rushed in immediately, and his opponent, expecting a handshake, received instead a knock down blow. This diverted all the sympathies of the audience to the plucky Nelson boy, who, with the encouragement behind him, got home repeatedly. The judges decided in Kerr's favour, much to the delight of the crowd. Kerr had to be carried out of the ring, he having fought all through the fiercest contest of the evening with a badly sprained thumb.

THE CHAMPIONSHIP WINNERS.

Heavy-weight—A. Pooley (Auckland).

Middle-weight—G. Matthewson (Otago).

Welter—G. Watchorn (Manawatu)

Light-weight—R. Simpson (Canterbury).

Feather-weight—F. Kerr (Nelson).

Bantam—B. Ellis (Wellington).

At a deputation recently to the Prime Minister in respect to the prohibition of the fight pictures, (writes the Melbourne correspondent of the "Referee"), it was stated that Jack Johnson when he came to Australia to fight Tommy Burns was received with open arms by the populace, whereas Fijians, who were British subjects, were only allowed to enter the Commonwealth after £200 as a deposit and guarantee were paid by the Methodist Mission Board. The Secretary for External Affairs, to whom the matter was referred by Mr. Fisher, states that on each occasion Johnson visited Australia a certificate of exemption from the Immigration Restriction Act was applied for and granted, on security being given by persons approved of by the Collector of Customs, Sydney, that Johnson would leave Australia before the time of the expiry of the term of exemption. Johnson was not subjected to a language test.

Tom Sharkey, the famous sailor-boxer, expected Jeffries to win on July 4 last, and was anxious to fix up a third meeting with the ex-champion. Judging by the following, which is culled from the "Denver Post" of June 9, there is still a good fight in the 37-year-old sailor:—"Judging by experiences, Sharkey is in magnificent fettle to-day. His weight is 212lb., and he looks better than ever. His physical development is perfect, and there is not much fat on him. He proved his ability to fight, even after a long

absence from the ring, by going to Canada a few weeks ago and beating a heavy-weight champion, named Fred Richau, in two rounds. Sharkey is now satisfied that if he put away a Canadian champion weighing 214 pounds in two rounds, he can defeat the boiler-maker or the black man, Richau, the man he defeated, has cleaned up at least 20 heavies, and was considered a wonder until Sharkey turned loose a 13-inch shell and sank him."

WRESTLING.

Considerable interest was taken in the wrestling match Gardiner v. Hansen which took place in the Municipal Theatre Waipawa, the other night, and the large audience that attended were rewarded by seeing a very strenuous contest, which ended in a draw, neither participants being able to secure a fall, after one and a-half hours' wrestling. Gardiner, whose weight is given as 9st. 10lb., stripped in the pink of condition and his opponent, Hansen, appeared to be in fairly good form, considering that he had only had ten days' notice of the match. Gardiner showed himself to be very tricky and clever, and on many occasions had the local man in a tight corner, but the latter by clever work always succeeded in extricating himself. Mr. J. Brandon gave satisfaction as referee and Mr. F. Lyons as time-keeper.

The catch-as-catch-can match between Joe Gardiner, (London), and Aubrey Sara (Auckland), New Zealand amateur champion, duly eventuated on the Recreation Ground Napier, on Thursday last, in the presence of several hundreds of spectators. The contestants, when stripped, appeared to be about on an equality in the matter of physique, and the result proved that there was very little to choose between the men in science. Four bouts were wrestled, and after a strenuous contest, lasting altogether about fifty minutes, the match ended in a draw without either men being able to obtain a fall. The contestants were frequently applauded for smart work, and in this respect the honours were very evenly divided. Mr. T. W. Barry was referee; judges, Messrs. C. F. Minett and D. Evans; timekeeper, Mr. F. W. Czar. A group of the officials together with the contestants will appear in the next issue of this paper.

FOOTBALL.

NORTHERN UNION MATCH.

BRITAIN v. NEW ZEALAND.

A STRENUOUS BATTLE.

BRITISHERS AGAIN VICTORIOUS.

The British footballers played the final match of their tour on Saturday, when they met the New Zealand representatives at the Domain Cricket Ground the game ending in a victory for the visitors by 52 points to 20. After the Britishers' decisive defeat of the Aucklanders on the previous Saturday by 52 points to 9, it was fully anticipated that they would prove victorious over the Northern Union representatives of the Dominion, but this did not deter the crowd from attending the match in strong force, close on 20,000 persons assembling at the Domain to witness the fixture. Onlookers were treated to a game brimful of excitement, particularly in the first spell, when play was of a very even character. However, the Britishers again gave evidence of the fact that they are an exceptionally well-conditioned team when the second spell came to be undertaken, and their wonderful stock of energy proved disastrous to the New Zealanders, who were unable to keep pace with them in the latter stages of the game. With New Zealand leading by 15 points to 10 when half-time was called, the spectators held forth hopes of the home players giving the visitors a tough fight for supremacy, but not many minutes had elapsed in the second half before it became evident that the Britishers were going to run up a big score. On the resumption of play the Britishers appeared very fresh, and passing run after passing run was indulged in with splendid results. Often they would commence to throw the ball about in their own 25, and, transferring to one another in the most faultless manner, they would wind up a

brilliant passing run by scoring a highly creditable try amid the wildest excitement. Sometimes they would pass the ball over the heads of two or three of their own men with wonderful accuracy, often gaining much ground as a result. The Britishers played with their usual fine combination, while the backs again showed a great turn of speed, but though the scoring was frequent they did not have matters all their own way as on the previous Saturday.

The New Zealanders deserve no little credit for the plucky fight which they put up under the circumstances, especially in the first half, when they more than held their own. The Southern members of the New Zealand team only arrived a day or so before the match, so that it was impossible for the New Zealanders to gain the combination without which any team is heavily handicapped. Had they been able to go into training quarters for a week prior to the match, which is generally the case with a New Zealand rep. team, it is safe to say they would have given the visitors a much harder contest. Nevertheless they came through the ordeal with credit, playing together in a manner which surprised their supporters in the first spell. During the first half their tackling was all that could be desired, while they showed up more prominently in the dribbling rushes than the Britishers. It was in the latter half, however, that condition told its tale, and the New Zealanders seemed to suddenly go all to pieces, especially in their tackling, the visitors running all over them. Now and then the New Zealanders would rally, and thrill the spectators with a fine piece of combined play, but their work was more of a flash-in-the-pan order during this spell.

With regard to the game itself, it is enough to say that it will have the effect of further popularising Northern Union football in Auckland. Though not as clean as the Britain-Auckland match, there was little to take exception at, and that those present fully enjoyed the game was evidenced by the vociferous cheering. Always fast and exciting, with plenty of incidents—both amusing and otherwise—to keep spectators interested, the match was one in which the enthusiasm of the crowd was never allowed to wane, and plainly demonstrated that before a player can expect to last out two 45's of strenuous Northern Union football he must be in concert-pitch condition. It certainly is a game in which the untrained player would make a poor showing, as pace, quickness and cleverness combined, are its three important factors, and these go to make what the public are particularly desirous of witnessing when they attend a Rugby football match.

The teams lined out as follows:—

Britain (colours, red, white and blue).—Fullback, J. Sharrock; three-quarters, Leytham, B. Jenkins, Lomas (capt.), Batten; five-eighths, F. Smith; scrum half, J. Thomas; forwards, F. Webster, W. Winstanley, F. Shugars, A. Avery, A. Kershaw, W. Jukes.

New Zealand (colours, black, yellow and red).—Chorley; three-quarters, Opae Asher, James, Buckland, Asher; five-eighths, Woodward; scrum half, McDonald; forwards; Seagar, Hughes, Griffin, F. Jackson, Hannigan, Dunning (captain).

Mr. J. Stannaway refereed.

The New Zealanders won the toss, and had the assistance of a slight breeze and the sun at their backs in the first spell. The visitors were compelled to force shortly after the commencement, Chorley, the New Zealand fullback, kicking over the Britishers' line. Play was confined to the visitors' territory for some time, until a British forward rush carried the ball into New Zealand's 25. Here some exciting play followed, the Britishers making several futile attempts to get across and score, Jenkins getting over and grounding the ball, but being called back owing to a forward pass. Finally the New Zealanders were compelled to force, but the Britishers renewed their attacks in the home team's 25, and a passing run, in which Smith, Thomas and Leytham were associated, enabled the last-named to score in the corner. Lomas made a good, though unsuccessful, attempt at goal; Britain, 3; New Zealand, nil. A penalty kick being awarded New Zealand, Jackson was entrusted with the shot, and landed a creditable goal. Britain 3, New Zealand 2. Shortly after Lomas kicked a penalty goal for the visitors. Britain 5, New Zealand 2. The New

Zealanders then rallied, and a prolonged attack gave James an opportunity, and he sent the leather on to Buckland, and the Taranaki man sprinted over and grounded the ball amid tremendous excitement. Asher made a poor attempt at goal. Britain 5, New Zealand 5.

New Zealand continued to attack, and a chance opening saw McDonald get across smartly and score. Jackson sent the ball over the cross-bar, a storm of applause following his successful effort. New Zealand 10, Britain 5. Both sides were now playing attractive football, and a very keen contest was waged, in which honours were fairly even. Much excitement was caused by the speedy British threequarter Leytham putting in a great sprint down the field, but E. Asher brought him down just in time to avoid a score. A struggle ensued near the New Zealanders' line, from which Avery finally got over and scored in a good position. Lomas easily converted. New Zealand 10, Britain 10. A passing run by the Britishers, in which Lomas was the central figure, saw the crack threequarter nicely taken by Chorley. The New Zealanders then carried the ball to the other end of the field, where a series of attacks ended in Seager rushing the ball over the line and scoring. Jackson converted, and the bell rang shortly after with the score: New Zealand 15, Britain 10.

The New Zealanders started off well in the second spell, but the Britishers soon asserted their superiority, passing runs being the visitors' strong feature. An exciting period of play in New Zealand's quarter gave Sharrock, the burly British fullback, an opportunity, and he dropped a good goal in smart fashion. New Zealand, 15; Britain, 12. Chorley's safe tackling frustrated a British attack, but shortly after a brilliant passing run by Leytham and Smith enabled the latter to score. Lomas was unsuccessful with the kick. New Zealand, 15; Britain, 15.

With the scores even, excitement became intense, but from now on the Britishers held the upper hand. Britain being awarded a free kick in New Zealand's 25, Kershaw catching the home team off their guard, kicked the leather gently over the line, and running up speedily pounced on it, thus scoring a simple try. Lomas failed to convert. Britain, 18; New Zealand, 15. Shortly after Leytham got over from a passing run, but Thomas failed with the kick. Britain, 21; New Zealand, 15. Thomas, who was making openings for the Britishers in fine style, giving Jenkins an opportunity, the latter dashed for the line and scored. Leytham failed to convert. Britain, 24; New Zealand, 15. After a couple of likely-looking passing rushes Jenkins was soon over again. Lomas landed a superb goal. Britain, 29; New Zealand, 15.

A passing run, commenced in their own 25, saw the Britishers go right through the New Zealanders' defence, Lomas finally scoring behind the posts. Taking the kick himself he easily converted. Britain, 34; New Zealand, 15. A few minutes later Avery got over from a forward scramble, Lomas converting. Britain, 39; New Zealand, 15. Immediately following this a brilliant passing run enabled Thomas to touch down behind the posts. Lomas converted. Britain, 44; New Zealand, 15. Avery was the next try-getter for the visitors, getting over from a struggle near the line. Lomas failed with the shot. Britain, 47; New Zealand, 15. The New Zealanders then livened up, and carrying play into the visitors' 25 Woodward beat the fullback and passed to Hughes, and the latter ran in and scored behind the posts. Jackson sent the ball over the bar. Britain, 47; New Zealand, 20. Kershaw was responsible for the final try of the match, which he obtained from a smart passing run. Thomas converted, and the match ended: Britain, 52; New Zealand, 20.

Sharrock's display at fullback for the Britishers compared unfavourably with T. Jenkin's faultless exhibition on the previous Saturday. He was a trifle on the slow side, while his handling of the leather gave room for improvement. Lomas was the best of a first-class threequarter-line, while B. Jenkins and Leytham both gave a creditable account of themselves, the latter's great pace coming in very handy at times. F. Smith got in some very serviceable work as the result of his clever feinting tactics, making numerous openings for his fellow backs. Thomas, at half, gave a finished display, being smart and

tricky in the position. It would be hard to individualise the British forwards, the majority of whom showed up prominently in the passing rushes.

For Auckland, Chorley played a very safe game at fullback, his plucky tackling being the subject of much favourable comment. Buckland was the most prominent of the threequarter line, passing and kicking with judgment. McDonald, at halfback, played a very willing game and was a big success in the position. Of the forwards, Seager gave a sterling exhibition, his fast following up and effective tackling proving extremely useful. Hughes was always prominent, and must be credited with playing a hard and clever game. Dunning got in some good work, being of great assistance to his side.

THE RUGBY GAME.

MAORIS v. AUCKLAND.

NATIVES' NARROW WIN.

Much has been heard of the doings of the Maori team during their Australasian tour, and on Saturday Auckland Rugger enthusiasts were given an opportunity of seeing for themselves just how good these natives are, their opponents being an Auckland representative fifteen. The

play, while the tricky runs and clever handling of the leather bore evidence of the fact that they are a first-class combination. The play of the Aucklanders was disappointing, and their work was not as brilliant as one would expect from an Auckland rep. team, their passing at times being on the weak side. The Maoris came with a great rush at the finish, turning the tables on their opponents when the Aucklanders looked to have the game in their safe keeping. After the excellent all-round display for which the Maoris were responsible, their victory was a most popular one, and they were given an ovation as they left the field.

The teams were represented as follows:—

New Zealand Maoris (red and black).—Fullback, Eruera (Auckland); threequarters, C. Ryland (Poverty Bay), R. Nuku (Bay of Plenty), G. Rogers (Rotorua); five-eighths, S. Clark (Auckland), A. Kaipara (Poverty Bay); halfback, M. Piki (Canterbury), J. Hall (Auckland); forwards, G. Sellars (Auckland), W. W. Cunningham (Auckland), W. Cunningham (Auckland), B. Moffit (Auckland), J. Martin (Taranaki), A. Takarangi (Wanganui), M. Paratene (Wairarapa).

Auckland (blue and white).—Full-

Hall had a shot at goal, but without success. Both sides were throwing the ball about in good style, and on-lookers were treated to a fast and clever exhibition. Rogers, the Maoris' wing-threequarter, caused considerable excitement by baffling his opponents with a tricky run, but his dash for the line was well stopped by O'Leary, Magee finally bringing relief to the Aucklanders with an effective line kick. Clever passing by the Aucklanders saw the Maoris in difficulties, but, headed by Takarangi, they got out of a tight corner. On working play back into the Maoris' territory, Francis had another attempt at goal from a penalty, but was unable to pilot the ball over the bar, the Maoris forcing. A passing run, in which Morse, Stewart, Armstrong, Magee and McKenzie handled the ball in turn, resulted in the last-named player getting over and registering Auckland's second try. O'Leary failed with the kick: Auckland 6, Maoris nil. Auckland had slightly the better of operations during the remainder of the first spell, and were on the point of scoring when the bell rang for half-time, with the scores unaltered.

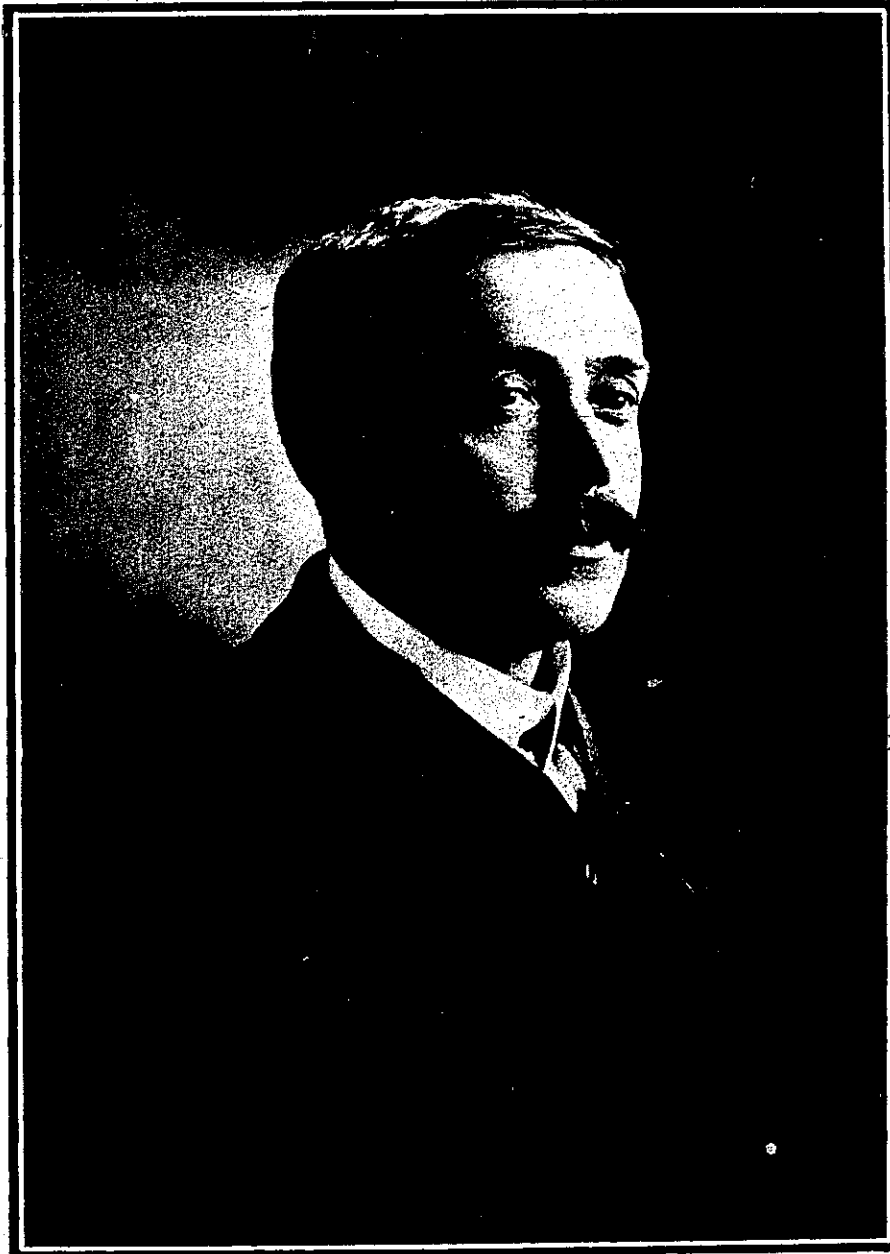
With the weather conditions against them in the second spell the Maoris' chances of winning appeared very remote. However, a surprise was in store for those in attendance at the match, the Maoris displaying superior tactics than adopted by the Aucklanders. Play was fast and furious, and seemed to be all to the natives' liking, their remarkable form being an outstanding feature of the spell. Takarangi, Rogers, Nuku and Kaipara proved a quartette of clever exponents of Rugby, and some very fine play was witnessed in consequence, their passing runs being executed in masterly fashion. A scrum in Auckland's 25 gave the Maori backs a chance, Kaipara distinguishing himself by outwitting the local rear division with a tricky run, and transferring to Nuku. The latter handed the leather back to Kaipara, who capped the brilliant effort by scoring a meritorious try. Cunningham converted: Auckland 6, Maoris 5. A good sprint down the line by McGregor, the Auckland wing-threequarter, looked like bearing fruitful results, but he was collared in the nick of time. Some few minutes later McGregor was carried off the field with a sprained ankle. After several vain attempts to get across by means of passing rushes, Piki set the Maori backs in motion by passing to Nuku, who sent on to Kaipara, who in turn passed to Hall the last-named grounding the ball over the line amid great applause. Cunningham failed to add the major points: Maoris 8, Auckland 6.

Encouraged by their lead, the Maoris got down to their work in splendid fashion, and succeeded in giving the Aucklanders an anxious time of it. Francis securing possession raised the hopes of Auckland supporters by making a dash for the line, but he was tackled by Eruera, the fullback. The Aucklanders tried hard to turn defeat into victory, but the Maori defence proved perfectly sound, the game ending with the home team attacking, the final scores being: Maoris 8, Auckland 6.

Mr. Angus Campbell made an efficient referee.

The British footballers left Auckland by the Maheno on Monday night, a large crowd gathering on the wharf to bid them farewell. As the boat moved off, hearty cheers were exchanged, the Britishers visit to Auckland having been a highly popular one. The team will play against a Sydney thirteen on Saturday, after which they sail by the Orient liner Otranto for the Old Country.

Interviewed in regard to the financial side of the British Northern Union team's visit to New Zealand, the manager (Mr. J. H. Houghton) stated that the takings for the three matches amounted to £875 8s, made up as follows:—Match v. New Zealand Maoris, at Victoria Park, £73 8s; against Auckland representatives at Rotorua, £45 3s; and against the New Zealand representatives at the Domain, £433 9s. The amount was divided in the proportion of 60 per cent. to the British team, who had to pay all their own expenses, such as fares and hotel bills, and 40 per cent. to the New Zealand Rugby League, who had to stand the expenses of ground fees, advertising, and all local expenses. There would be a small loss on their visit to New Zealand shores, but they had not expected to make money. The Australian tour, however, proved highly successful financially.



MR. D. W. McLEAN, PRESIDENT OF THE NEW ZEALAND RUGBY LEAGUE (NORTHERN UNION RULES).

match was played at Alexandra Park, and attracted some 2000 spectators. Owing to the fact that a number of the best players who journeyed to Australia with the Maori combination were unavailable, several vacancies had to be filled by local players, and, despite the staleness which generally sets in after a strenuous tour such as the natives have lately completed, the Maoris gave a display full of merit, and succeeded in defeating the chosen of Auckland by 8 points to 6 after an exceedingly fine exhibition. When the Maoris played a drawn game—8 points each—with Wellington a fortnight ago they were represented by a stronger team than took the field for them on Saturday so that it would seem that several alterations will be necessary in the Auckland fifteen if they wish to keep the Ranfurly Shield in their possession when they meet Wellington on August 20.

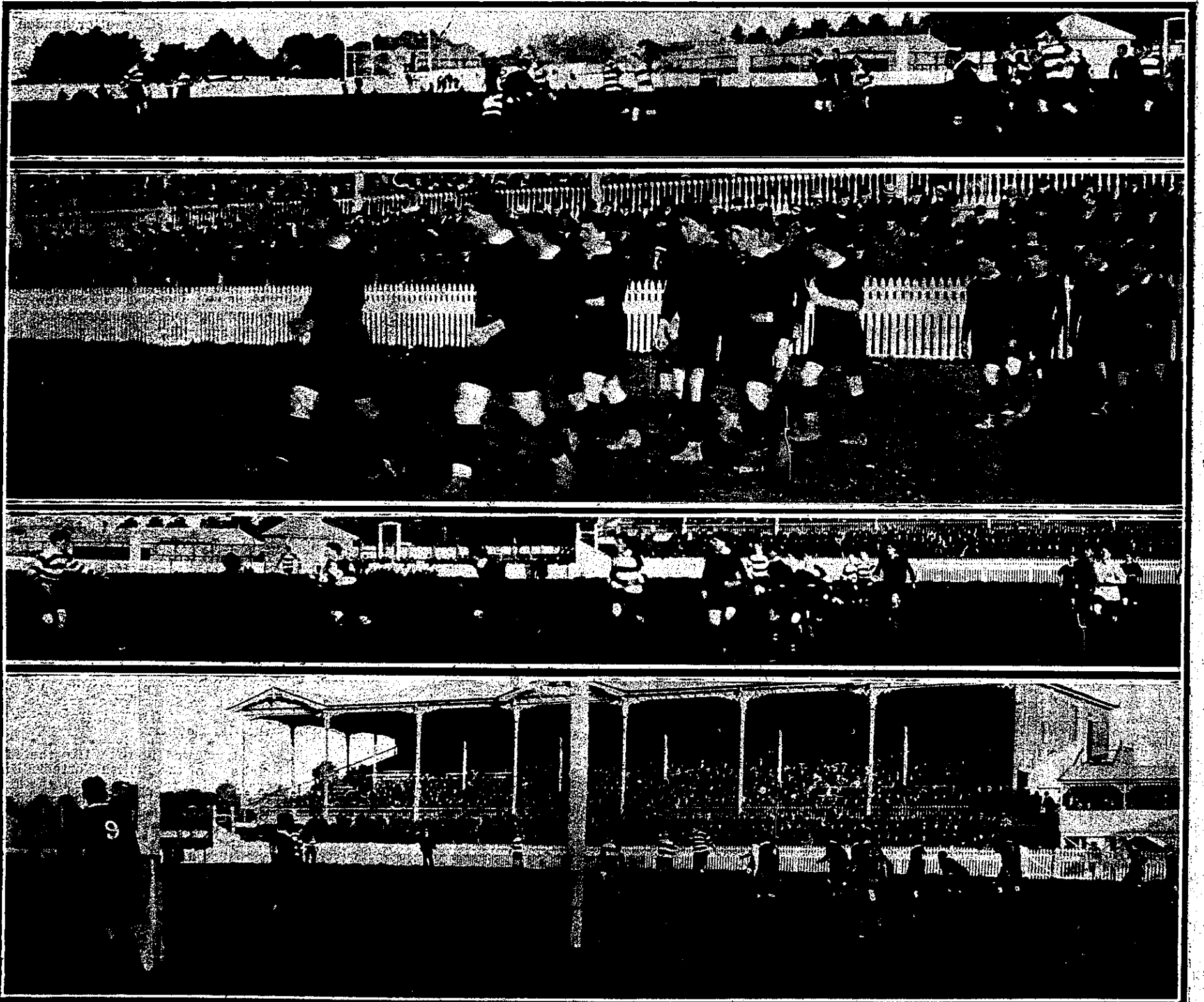
The game from start to finish was fast and open, and so keenly was it contested that the spectators shouted themselves hoarse. The Maoris outshone the Aucklanders in individual

back, J. O'Leary; threequarters, McKenzie, McGregor, Stewart; five-eighths, Magee, Armstrong; halfback, Morse; wingforward, Wilkes; forwards, Tyler, Tresize, Francis, Bigelow, Maguire, Wylie, Martin.

The Maoris had the advantage of the wind and sun in the first spell, and the ground being in splendid order both teams set off at a great pace. Auckland being awarded a free kick, Francis was entrusted with the shot, but was unsuccessful. Good play by the Auckland forwards carried matters into the Maoris' 25, where Morse secured possession from a scrum near the line, and, sending the leather to Armstrong, the latter ran in and scored. Magee's attempt at goal was fruitless: Auckland 3, Maoris nil. Nothing of incident happened until Kaipara intercepted a passing run by the Aucklanders, and sent the ball on to Nuku, who, after putting in a fine run, transferred to Alec Takarangi, and the Wanganui man, after gaining further ground, returned the leather to Nuku, who was thrown out at the corner. Auckland being penalised,



THE NEW ZEALAND NORTHERN UNION REPRESENTATIVE FOOTBALL TEAM, WHICH PLAYED BRITAIN AT THE AUCKLAND DOMAIN ON SATURDAY.—Back row, from left: Mr. Bert. Powell (Southland delegate to N.Z. Rugby League) F. Jackson (Auckland), G. Seager (Auckland), J. Griffen (Auckland), James (Nelson), F. Woodward (Rotorua), Mr. J. Stanaway, referee. Kneeling in centre: C. Dunning, captain (Auckland), S. McDonald (Auckland). Front row, from left: Hannigan (Nelson), Hughes (Southland), E. Asher (Auckland), Chorley (Auckland), Opai Asher (Auckland), Buckland (Taranaki).



THE MAORIS V. AUCKLAND RUGBY FOOTBALL MATCH, PLAYED AT ALEXANDRA PARK ON SATURDAY, AND WON BY THE FORMER BY 6 POINTS TO 6.—(1) A good tackle by an Auckland; (2) the Maoris taking the field; (3) McGregor (Auckland) passing the leather to O'Leary; (4) A penalty kick by the Maoris.

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THE OPERA HOUSE.**FULLER'S WIDE-WORLD PICTURES.**

The wide patronage extended to the Wide World Pictures presented by Messrs. Fuller at the Opera House nightly, testifies to the excellence and popularity of the programme. A first-rate selection of films are being shown this week, the subjects illustrated being all of intense interest. "Hall Caine at Home" depicts the great author and dramatist, at work and at play, his residence and its surroundings forming a highly interesting study. The film affords book lovers an exceptional opportunity of becoming acquainted with Mr. Hall Caine, giving them an idea of the life and work of the world-famous writer. "Victims of Fate" is a powerful dramatic film, which appeals strongly to all who witness it. "The Centurion's Daughter" is also another dramatic film containing many emotional situations, and is received with prolonged applause by the audience. "Capital v. Labour" is a picture affording a strong object lesson to mankind generally, and depicts several thrilling incidents that happen in everyday life. A splendid film is that of "Wild Duck Shooting" which illustrates in clear fashion a day's sport with the gun. "The Interrupted Honeymoon" and "For Her Sister's Sake," are two very fine pictures, both of which have a touch of romance in them. A scenic film of great merit is shown of Rio Janeiro, this well-laid out city with its picturesque surroundings being well worth seeing. A comic study which creates no end of laughter is the film entitled "Tontoline—Black and White" the antics of a clever comedian being decidedly humorous. "A Case of Identity" depicts some exciting scenes on a steamer, and is a film which holds the interest of the audience from beginning to end. "In Love With the Charcoal Woman," as the title serves to indicate, is a great laughter producing film, the mishaps which befall an eccentric man about town, who persists in making love to a charcoal burner's wife, being extremely comical. "A Pennyworth of Potatoes" is another sterling film of the humorous order, the audience being kept in a prolonged state of merriment during its reflection on the screen. Mr. E. J. Burke's orchestra renders an enchanting musical programme during the evening, which find great favour with all present.

ROYAL ALBERT HALL.**WEST'S PICTURES.**

The picture boom still continues to run along merrily, and large audiences attend the Royal Albert Hall nightly to witness the programme presented. The budget of pictures ushered in on Saturday evening is well up to requirements, and contains some excellent films of every kind. A series of pictures of Rio de Janeiro make an interesting film, showing the principal streets and fine views of the surrounding country and harbour, together with the market, the whole proving instructive and entertaining. "A Case of Identity" is a splendid dramatic film. Hogarth, a detective, receives a call from a foreigner who, being unable to speak English, begins to write his business and drops dead before finishing. There is no clue upon the man, save the tailor's mark on his overcoat. Finding the tailor, Hogarth learns the name of the mysterious stranger, but is mystified when the next day's paper announces that the man whom he saw lying dead on the floor is to sail with his daughter for Europe at noon. Hogarth makes a quick dash for the boat, and finds himself a fellow-passenger of the man, who is apparently the double of his mysterious caller, and the girl, who is supposed to be his daughter. He soon finds that there is a love story, for one of the deck hands on the liner exchanges notes and signals with the girl, and Hogarth discovers that the man is her fiancé in disguise, and he then convinces the girl of her danger. A series of pictures taken during the visit of King George V. and Queen Mary, and the reception given to their Majesties by the Maoris at Rotorua, is watched with interest, and receives loud applause. "Victims of Fate" tells a pathetic little love story with the usual happy ending. "The Centurion's Daughter" is the title of a powerful historical story. At the house of a Roman Centurion, a patrician slave is loved by the Cen-

turion's daughter, and the two go to the place where the Christians assemble for secret worship. The girl embraces the new faith, is baptised, and they are married. A message from the Emperor Nero arrives, bearing a command that the Christians be secured and taken before him. The Centurion's daughter and her husband cast in their lot with the persecuted brethren. The Centurion arrives to enforce the Emperor's will, but is amazed to find his own daughter one of the "accursed" band. The Apostle uses the occasion to speak in his Master's name. The Centurion first scornfully listens, then glances lovingly at his daughter, devoutly kneeling at his feet, and, removing his helmet, tears up the order of Nero, and kneeling at the feet of the Apostle, is received into the Church he came to persecute. Roosevelt at a military review at Vincennes is most interesting, and makes a very fine picture. "The Lady and the Ostrich" and "The Shepherd's Dog" are dramatic films worth a place on any programme, both being particularly fine films. Several very humorous pictures are included on the programme, a trio of specially good ones being "Persuasive Powers of a Revolver," "Am I Loved for Myself Alone?" and "A Night in Armour." During the evening the ladies' orchestra renders a choice selection of musical items, which add greatly to the entertainment.

TIVOLI THEATRE.

Dayne's Minstrels are maintaining their popularity at the Tivoli Theatre, Newton, another enjoyable programme being presented this week. Two new performers are added to the list, in the persons of Male Bell and Ivy Goodwill, whose contributions are warmly applauded, the first-named lady being especially good in character sketches. Will Walker, Pat Reece and Little Ben look after the comic element, and it could not have better exponents, their comicalities bringing down the house. On Saturday a matinee was held, when a fine selection of pictures was thrown on the screen. Mr. Hal. Dayne believes in putting a crisp programme before the public, and variety is the order of his entertainments. A competition he is arranging should add zest to proceedings.

THE PRINCE'S RINK.**CHILDREN'S FANCY DRESS CARNIVAL.**

Prince's Rink presented an animated spectacle on Friday evening, when the floor was devoted to a children's fancy dress carnival. The little ones were very much in evidence, entering into the spirit of things with as much enthusiasm as their elders. It is wonderful what control over the skates some of the mites have, and, prettily attired in picturesque costume, they afforded plenty of interest to the hundreds of onlookers. Prince's Rink, spacious as it is, is always well filled, but on particular occasions such as this, it is difficult to get in at all, so great is the demand for seats. During the evening M. Gonard, in company with Miss Evelyn Harvey (a pupil) gave an interesting exhibition of graceful skating, at the conclusion of which M. Gonard, in recognition of Miss Harvey's remarkable skill and dexterity, presented her, through Mrs. Sharman, with a handsome gold medal. Amusing displays were given by Messrs. Long and Fulton, while "Jumbo" added his share to the proceedings, his gyrations being loudly applauded.

Mamie Wilkie, a tiny mite, quaintly representing "Mary had a Little Lamb," was awarded the prize for the smallest child skater, a yellow "butterfly" running her up. Mr. Long, as "The Catch of the Season," secured a special prize as the tallest skater in the ring, his name not belying him (6ft 7½in). Other prizes awarded were: Best fancy dress for girls aged 16 or less, Doris Cameron; ditto, for girls aged 10 or less, Rita Henley; best fancy costume for boys aged 16 or less, Donald Walter; ditto, for boys aged 10 or less, Kismet Wragge; most comical costume, Laurence Ivil (a special prize was awarded to Master Lewis); most graceful skater (girls), Miss Alexandra; ditto (boys), Master James; ditto (child, aged 10 or less), Bettie Sharman and Master Fuller tied.

During an interval M. Gonard, who has the enjoyment of the little ones

at heart, regaled them with chocolates—an item which was fully appreciated, needless to say.

"Black and White" was the order of things on Tuesday evening, another successful gathering being held. Amongst other attractions, that popular entertainer, Mr. Allan McElwain, gave a humorous selection, "How Uncle Josh Learned to Skate," which evoked much laughter. On Friday the children's carnival will be repeated, when several attractive novelties are to be introduced, and special prizes awarded.

THE GLIDEWAY RINK.

A wheelbarrow race aroused considerable interest at the Glideaway rink on Tuesday night, and the keenness of the competitors created plenty of amusement to the lookers-on. Mr. Smith, the manager, spares no time nor trouble in making the rink a success, and has always some fresh attraction in readiness. The floor is in excellent condition, and one can indulge in the exhilarating pastime with every ease. Patrons can rely on prompt attention and all facilities for perfecting themselves in the art.

Greenroom Gossip.**THE PANTOMIME DATES.**

The following are the "Aladdin" pantomime dates for this month:—Auckland, August 8 to 20; New Plymouth, August 22; Wanganui, 23 and 24; Palmerston North, 25 and 26; Hastings, 27; Napier, 29 and 30; Masterton, 31; Wellington, September 1.

PANTOMIME ARTISTES.

Miss Marie Eaton has risen very quickly in her profession. Last year she was the Fairy Queen in "Jack and Jill," and now she is taking the character of Aladdin in J. C. Williamson's most successful pantomime. Miss Eva Moore, who plays the character of the Princess in "Aladdin," is said to much resemble her sister Carrie. It was only the offer of a very high salary which induced Harry Phydora to again leave London for Australia. Mr. Phydora last toured New Zealand with the "Mother Goose" Company. Mr. J. M. Campbell first toured New Zealand with the "Merry-makers," of which organisation he was the principal member. Last year he successfully appeared as the dame in "Jack and Jill," and in the coming "Aladdin" production he will appear as the Emperor of Japan.

"THE GIRL FROM RECTOR'S."

I confess I cannot see why sundry newspapers and clergymen have made such a fuss over "The Girl from Rector's." It has given Mr. Hugh Ward's company a splendid advertisement, and made everyone keen to see the play that is supposed to be, but is not, so improper. The Rev. Dr. Gibb and the Rev. J. J. North unbottled the vials of their spiritual wrath upon "The Girl" on Sunday. The metropolitan papers reported their utterances, and the result was, as might have been anticipated, an unprecedented rush to the Opera House for "The Girl's" opening night on Monday. I have not yet heard whether Mr. Ward sent the reverend gentlemen concerned complimentary box tickets. They deserved them, and it is quite possible that, did they see the play itself, the opinions formed by them through reading the book on which the play is founded, would be very considerably modified.

DENOUNCED AS "SATANIC!"

The Rev. Dr. Gibb denounced the play as "Satanic," and declared that it was "a beastly—glittering but none the less beastly—appeal to the passions. It holds marriage and love up to mockery. It is pornography rendered tenfold more deadly by the fascination of the wit and beauty and dress with which the play is said to be invested," and so on. The Rev. J. J. North considered that the play touched "the nadir of theatrical shame." I should very much like to know upon what these very good people base their opinions. Do they speak from their own knowledge of the play, or from the perverted views of certain evil-minded newspaper scribes, who read into the play far more than its author ever put into it?

MR. HUGH WARD IN DEFENCE.

The scene at the Wellington Opera House on Monday night, was one of tremendous interest. An enormous audience gathered to see the play. The pavement was blocked, and at 7.30 p.m. the police had to take a hand in moving the people on. Many hundreds were refused admission. The huge audience laughed heartily at the farce, and at the end of the second act broke into loud cheering. The curtain had to be raised again and again, and at the close of the fourth act there were loud calls for Mr. Hugh Ward. Eventually he came to the front of the stage, and in a happy little speech, assured his patrons there was not the least intention to wound the susceptibilities of anyone. He and his company were respectable ladies and gentlemen, and he thought the audience would go away satisfied that there was nothing in the play to which exception could be taken. Mr. Ward (with the whole company standing on the stage behind him) was loudly cheered.

SEATS AND BOOKING.

A notable fact in connection with some of the best plays that have visited Auckland during the past twelve months is that there have been a good many seats in both stalls and family circle (that is, the cheaper seats) at first-night performances, while the dress circle and orchestral stalls have been crowded out. This is doubtless the result of the booking being over-boomed. A record number of seats were booked for the Nellie Stewart season, yet there were plenty of vacant seats on the first and second nights, and then, when playgoers decided that the rush was over, they attended the theatre in such numbers that during the remainder of the season crowds were nightly turned away. This was also the case during the recent grand opera season at the opening performances, of which there were plenty of vacant seats.

A VETERAN PANTOMIME MECHANIST.

Mr. "Jimmy" Turner arrived by the s.s. Maheno on Sunday last to supervise the mechanical arrangements for the "Aladdin" production. Mr. Turner has staged no less than 27 Christmas productions in Sydney and Melbourne for Mr. J. C. Williamson.

THEATRE PARTIES ORGANISED.

A feature of the recent Adelaide and Perth seasons of the "Aladdin" pantomime was the number of occasions on which the gallery was purchased outright by societies, clubs, etc., the following clubs holding theatre parties in this way:—The Soccers' Football Association, the Perth Yacht Club, the Young Australian League and the Perth Football Club.

MR. GEORGE MARLOW'S COMPANY.

Mr. George Marlow's dramatic company is still moving around, and has been doing excellent business in "the smalls." A personal note from Mr. Duncan Neven, the business manager, informs me that the company is returning to Auckland to-morrow (Friday), and that its members leave on Saturday for a tour through the Wai-kato, opening at Cambridge that evening. They will be at Hamilton on the 8th, at Rotorua on the 9th and 10th, Thames on the 11th and 12th, at Te Aroha on the 13th, Paeroa on the 15th, Waihi on the 16th and 17th, and at Huntly on the 18th. They then return to Auckland and leave for Sydney on the 22nd. "Married to the Wrong Man" is being staged in the one-night stands; "As Midnight Chimes," a play new to Aucklanders, being presented when the company remains for a second night.

THE CALEDONIAN ENTERTAINERS.

Mr. Jack Willis, writing from Te Kuiti on the 2nd inst., says that his company of "Caledonian Entertainers" is doing good business. He sends me a number of photographs of the members of his company, some of which I hope to reproduce in these columns later on. The company were at Te Kuiti last evening; they will be at Taumarunui to-night, at Ohakune on Friday, at Utiku on Saturday, at Taihape on Monday, Mangaweka on Tuesday, Marton on Wednesday, and Bulls this day week. They visit Waverley, Manaia, Hawera, Wanganui, Dannevirke, Pahiatua, Eketahuna, Masterton, Greytown, Carterton, Martinborough and Upper Hutt in succession, arriving at the latter place on the 30th.

AUSTRALIAN NOTES.

(From Our Melbourne and Sydney Correspondents.)

Calve is ably sustaining her reputation for benevolence in Australia. A few days ago in Sydney, she was so touched by the sight of a poor street singer, that she took the singer's place on the edge of the kerb, and was soon raising her glorious voice in an old French melody. By this means she attracted a huge crowd, gathered up a large collection, and presented the whole of the proceeds to the shabby vocalist. At another time, she met a fragile little woman at a street corner, and learning of her difficult circumstances, made her a present of five shillings. The following day, she met the unfortunate again, and, on this occasion, gave her a sovereign with her best wishes for a brighter future.

Even now, though the actual date of its staging is still some weeks ahead, that big Drury Lane drama "The Whip" is beginning to pervade Her Majesty's Theatre, Melbourne, for Mr. W. R. Coleman is finishing scene after scene of the huge production, and the completed material has to be staged somewhere. It is doubtful whether, in all his experience, Mr. Coleman has had a heavier task, and those who remember the immense amount of work he and his assistants put in to any one of the four great J. C. Williamson pantomimes will realise what that means. The drama is full of sporting scenes, from a beautiful Yorkshire landscape with the kennels of Falconhurst in the foreground, to the vivid representations of the race for the Two Thousand Guineas, while "the interiors" range from Madame Tussaud's wax-works to the delicately decorated drawing-room of a ducal mansion.

The Royal Comic Opera Company to whom Melbourne is bidding a regretful farewell, tempered with the enjoyment their excellent presentation of "The Girls of Gottenberg" always engenders, seems always to be in trouble regarding accommodation, a condition explained by the fact, that wherever "Shows" and "Races" bring a large influx to the cities, the Royal Comic Opera Company is almost always the J. C. Williamson attraction chosen to entertain the pleasure seekers. Brisbane is their destination after Melbourne, whither they go in a non-stop railway journey to open for Show week there, and most of them go in fear and trembling

as to how they are going to find a place to rest their head. In fact so desperate did the case appear that Bertie Wright and Langford Kirby made the proposition to the management that they should borrow the bandstand of "A Waltz Dream" and sleep therein till the congestion abated.

Messrs. J. and N. Tait are now completing arrangements for the forthcoming season in Australia of the brilliant soprano, Madame Mary Conly. Messrs Tait have already engaged the talented tenor, Mr. Walter Kirby, to support the singer in Australia, and it is understood that they are also securing the services of one or two other distinguished musicians. The programmes to be given will be more than usually interesting to music lovers, for it is expected they will include performances of the oratorios of "The Messiah," "Elijah," and "Hiawatha."

Signor Hazon, the conductor of the J. C. Williamson Grand Opera Company, has "oscillated," so to speak, between Italy and Australia for nearly a quarter of a century. Born in Parma, the future maestro, as a young man, came out to this country in 1886, with Marton Simonsen's Grand Opera Company. On the conclusion of that tour he liked the country so much that he stayed in it, succeeding the late Henri Knowalski as conductor of the Philharmonic Society in Sydney. His next visit to Italy was made in quest of artists for J. C. Williamson's first Italian Opera Company, which he "conducted" through Australia. Back to Italy about three years ago, Mr. Williamson found him there a willing and enthusiastic co-operator in the task of selecting the present company at the end of last year.

The child-like nature of the Ethiopian is quite irresistible when introduced into farce comedy. This is proved in "The Brass Bottle" where a dozen or more full-blooded sons of Ham contribute to the gaiety of the evening. The enjoyment they seem to derive from obeying the Jinnee's behests is the most infectious expression of delight Sydney playgoers have laughed at for many a day. Off the stage the dusky attendants on the Jinnee admire the impersonator of the mysterious visitor (Mr. Evelyn Vernon) greatly. When Mr. Vernon failed to get a carrier to take his baggage from a city hotel to a Potts Point flat during last week's storm he only had to invoke his black slaves and four of them saw to it.

Max Modalkopf in "The Girls of Gottenberg" has been played upwards of three hundred times by Bertie Wright and ranks next, in that comedian's estimation, to Heakin in "The Orchid."

CHRISTCHURCH NOTES.

My Christchurch dramatic correspondent writes:—The production of "Pete" at the Royal by the Clark-Meynell Co. recalls memories of poor Wilson Barrett, whose stage version of the popular Hall Caine story is well remembered by New Zealand playgoers. "Pete" has proved a pronounced success. It is the sort of thing patrons of the "gaff" in this country will go again and again to see. The season ends August 3, and then the company plays Timaru (for one night), and also gives one performance at Oamaru, opening in Dunedin August 6. "Hall Caine at Home" is the title of a splendid film now being exhibited at the Colosseum, where the Fuller Proprietary is fairly coining money. The presentation of this series of "living pictures" is very appropriate just now, when everybody is talking of "Pete." That popular artist, Mr. Harry Lauder, is appearing nightly at His Majesty's just now—per cinematograph, with phonograph attachment, and the "counterfeit presentment" of the famous vocal comedian is winning fresh laurels for him, although he has not as yet set foot in "God's own country." The songs rendered, "I Love a Lassie" and "Early in the Morning" are not exactly Harry's latest successes, but they go well, nevertheless. West's Pictures continue to draw crowded houses nightly. Thanks to the recent alterations effected at this theatre, it is now a very cosy place at which to put in a couple of hours or so, and patrons can be sure of getting full value for their money every time. "Pictures and vaudeville" is the bill of fare now submitted "every night at 8" to patrons of the Opera House, and the combination is proving a gilt-edged success. Carden Wilson, the mimic, contributes a capital turn to the present bill, and other clever people now "on" at this favourite place of amusement are Miss Pearl Hellmrich, comedienne; Valdane and Varno, trick cyclists; Mdme. Carelli, and heaps more. A few weeks will elapse before a company of very much note holds the fort at the Theatre Royal, but we are looking forward to the visit of J. C. Williamson's "Aladdin" Pantomime Company—September 16 to 29.

A SUCCESSFUL ACTRESS.

MISS GRACE PALOTTA'S STAGE CAREER.

A CHARMING PERSONALITY.

There is something very charming about Miss Grace Palotta, whose winsome ways and graceful acting have made her a prime favourite with New Zealand audiences. She makes friends wherever she goes and is just as popular in Wellington, where she is appearing with Mr. Hugh J. Ward in "The Girl from Rector's" as in Auckland. "It is," Miss Palotta told a recent interviewer "15 years since I first came to Australia" "and I have toured round the principal towns four times. Indeed, I have been seven years in the Commonwealth out of the 15. I came as a girl, and while I had always loved the work, and was full of enthusiasm, I have naturally gained, I hope, in finish. I like Australia and the Australians, for you are so loyal. Each time my reception has been as warm, and the early friends I made are still as true-hearted and appreciative. This season's opening has shown me that the public who took to me with such ardor when I was a stranger, and a mere girl, are ready to welcome me back as a woman, anxious as ever to please those who have shown so much interest in me. I live for my work, and hope some day to create some special role in high-class comedy, which is what I feel would be especially suited for me." "There was nothing startling or sensational about my first becoming an actress," Miss Palotta continued, "and when young stage aspirants come to me and ask for advice, it is such a simple story that I have to tell that they scarcely credit it. My father died just as I left school, leaving us without means, and one morning when I was in an omnibus in London I heard two girls talking about "getting on" if they came out successfully from having "their voices tried." I had to earn my living, and the thought flashed across my mind that I would follow them, and see if I could also get a position, as my voice was good. I was very young and enthusiastic, and I suppose something about me pleased the manager, and my very broken English made me a little unusual. For a month I was simply in the chorus, when one of the principals, who played the part of a French lady, was away, and out of the entire chorus I was selected to take her place, partly because of my

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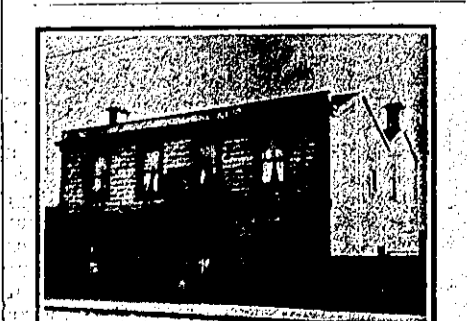
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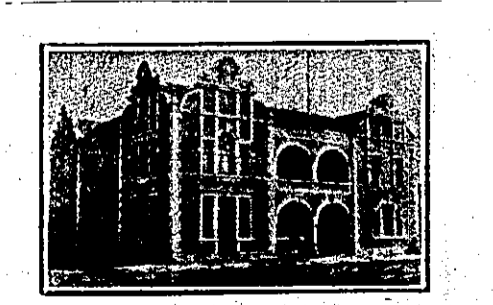
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foreign accent, I suppose. From that time I never went back to the chorus, but had parts, at first only minor ones, but in a very short time was playing leads. I was certainly fortunate," added the speaker modestly, with her brilliant smile.

Those who remember Miss Grace Palotta as the Duchess, in "Mr. Hopkinson," will acknowledge that such parts give greater scope to her specially dainty acting, with her strong predilection for what is natural and refined. The stage is made real life by Miss Palotta, and her characters speak and move before the foot-lights as they would do in everyday life.

"Above all things, I always try to be natural, and I hope that I succeed. As I am really and truly happy whenever I am acting, I think people catch the spirit of my fun—for to me it really is fun, and no make-belief. Of course, I feel hot and tired sometimes, especially when dresses have to be changed nearly a dozen times, but I make quite light of these little inconveniences, and am truly happy in my work. In farcical comedy, one has to be earnest, and play "fun" seriously, so to speak, for it is very easy to be unconvincing, when the situations are to be so carefully studied, so that nothing is overdrawn or palpably absurd."

A good actress also has to keep always "in the picture," and give others scope for their points, and in this Miss Palotta succeeds admirably. But even in concerted action, individuality tells. In the first production of "The Runaway Girl," when a troop of merry maidens climbed a wall, and fell over on the other side, somebody in the dress circle said, "That's Grace Palotta; doesn't she fall beautifully? There's nothing vulgar about anything she does. It would be impossible."

Miss Palotta spoke of her home life, both in Australia and in a corner of old Vienna, where there is always a little spot, which is enshrined in her heart as her true home. "My little mother is there, and she keeps my real home, which, so far, I have managed to visit once in every two years. Perhaps it may only be for a couple of weeks, as was the case when I travelled from America, and went hurriedly over to Vienna, then to London, whence I started for Australia. But the knowledge that I have a real home sustains me wherever I may be, and I believe that for every woman a real happy home life is best. In Australia I have many dear friends who when I first came here, adopted me, and in whose homes I am always received as a welcome visitor. The servant question is too great for me to attempt a home of my own, even temporarily here, and then we are always on the move. There are advantages, however, even in this, as one really sees the best of people thus. They have no time to get tired of one; and I believe I must have a large heart, for there is room for so many people. I really like people, and no pretence about it. There may be disagreeable people, but, as a rule, I have only met the nice ones. In the East, we met absolutely charming people, the very best type of travellers, most delightful, cultured men and women, who took us so readily and naturally to their hearts, and who were good enough to say that we were the very best all-round company that had visited the East. I had fever at Bombay—so had the other ladies of the company—and it left one very languid and nerveless, but, fortunately, I was only two nights unable to play. Our plans were altered, as Mr. Ward decided to leave the small towns in India unvisited, and the sea voyage to China set us up. It was winter when we arrived in Shanghai, and very cold. The Chinamen were all "furry," one might have mistaken them for Russians. They wore long coats of fur, or lined with fur, and caps of the same; high boots, and collars turned up round their throats, quite unlike the orthodox Chinaman one sees anywhere else. But the East teems with interest, and one learns every day some new and strange facts. The tour was, in many senses, a pleasure trip—at least it was to me."

While Grace Palotta was speaking, a young visitor applied for an interview, hoping to be able to hear from the successful actress some "golden road to success" outside that of hard work, and perhaps weary waiting and much persistence. "I am sorry that I am engaged all the morning," said Miss Palotta, "or else I would willingly see her. But, indeed, it is a mistake to come to me. I know so little to tell aspirants. There are no short cuts that those who have in some degree succeeded can show the novice. Apply for work, as I did, and rely upon ability to do what is required of you. I should like to be able to help those who are anxious to start a stage career, but I know of no royal road; and some people are foolish enough to think I can wave a wand, and they will be set on the way to fame and fortune. In China, a girl wrote to me very earnestly that she wanted to become an actress, and the letter was so pathetic that I wrote appointing a time for her to call.

"Why do you wish to go on the stage?" I inquired, expecting to hear something original; or, at all events, a really forcible reason.

"Because you wear such beautiful clothes," was the unexpected answer. "It must be so delightful to be always beautifully dressed."

"Did you advise her?" I asked.

"I sat speechless," said Miss Palotta; "what could I say?"

"I rise every morning at about half-past 7, and am in the salon for breakfast before half-past 8, having already had my bath, and gone through my physical exercises. I have a large correspondence, and I am a busy woman, reading a great deal, and studying hard. I love the country, the birds, and flowers, so I go out a good deal. But I never lose sight of the fact that I am living for my work, and everything else must keep me ready for that. I live by rule—a light breakfast, a good lunch in the middle of the day, and just a small repast, as milk and a biscuit, before I go to the theatre. Then, after the play, I take a glass of hot milk in winter, or iced water or lemonade in summer. By midnight I am in bed, and fast asleep."

This is how Miss Palotta keeps herself so joyously serene, so mischievously frolicsome, how she laughs so naturally all through the long evening's work in "The Bachelor's Honeymoon," in which she has a heavy part in every act, and between has to make so many changes of costume, elaborate and beautiful enough to evoke the admiration and envy of every woman in the audience.

Even now (and the famous gaiety piece has passed its 500th performance), it is difficult to get seats for "Our Miss Gibbs" and Mr. Harold Ashton had to wait a few nights before he could really find a stall that was worth sitting in—so he writes from London in a letter.

Although it remained for Mr. F. A. Anstey to do the stage adaptation of the "Brass Bottle," his book struck more than one budding playwright as having in it all the elements of a successful farce comedy. The J. C. Williamson management nearly a year ago received a version locally prepared for the stage, but the author of it set the stage manager a series of effects that were impossible on the face of them. Anstey's previous experience of stage-craft guided him as to what could and could not be accomplished. As it happened, the tasks he set the producer were regarded by several London managers as exceeding what was practicable. A series of experiments by Mr. Caston Meyer, however, proved that modern stage-craft was equal to the occasion. All concerned in the Australian production agree that it is the most tricky they have been ever called upon to handle.

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THE LICENSED VICTUALLERS' GAZETTE

LICENSING LEGISLATION.

TO BE INTRODUCED THIS SESSION.

It is now practically certain that a Licensing Bill will be introduced by the Government this session. Some weeks ago a deputation representing the No-License Conference waited upon the Prime Minister. In reply, Sir Joseph Ward stated that the question was under the consideration of the Government, but he would not be able to give a definite reply as to the intentions of the Government for some time. In the meantime the "Trade" has not been inactive, for some days ago an influential deputation, representing the brewing interests particularly, had a lengthy private interview with the Premier. Nothing official has transpired as to the nature of the Bill, but "The Dominion" says it is reported on good authority that it will be to some extent on the lines of the famous "compromise" proposed last session by Dr. Findlay, after a conference with representatives of both parties. It is interesting to note that it was the intention of the No-License party, in the event of a further delay on the part of the Government in making its intentions known, to proceed with the drafting of its own measures.

On this subject the "New Zealand Times," which is supposed to be in the know "says: The Government is to be approached by a deputation of members of Parliament to urge the introduction of licensing law amendments this session. The movement has not taken final shape yet, but judging by those who are taking it up, the proposals to be placed before the Prime Minister will be those supported by the New Zealand Alliance and its friends, namely, a Dominion vote on prohibition, to be taken at the same time as the next general election, and the acceptance of the bare majority, instead of three-fifths, as the deciding factor. At the No-License Conference in Wellington early in June, the executive of the New Zealand Alliance, with a consultative committee, was empowered to draft a Bill on those lines.

THE "TRADE" DISPUTE.

AUCKLAND AGREEMENT OPERATIVE THIS MONTH.

We understand that, as a result of negotiations proceeding this week between the Auckland Licensed Victuallers' Association and the Hotel and Restaurant Employees Union, the agreement recently arrived at in the Conciliation Court will become operative during the present month. It applies to all hotels within a ten-mile radius of Auckland and will remain in force for three years, only becoming voidable in the event of legislation overriding any of its terms. It will be remembered that the agreement was made subject to the Arbitration Court's issuing an award applicable to the Wellington district, on the basis of a maximum working week of 65 hours. A general meeting of hotel-keepers is being held to-day at the offices of the L.V. Association, in connection with the introduction of the new agreement.

The revenue of the Isle of Man has suffered severely as a result of the action of the Legislature in increasing the spirit and tobacco duties. The receipts last year were £80,286, £7,714 less than the estimate, the beer and spirit duties were £7,865 below the estimate. The expenditure was £75,122, or £1,828 less than was estimated. The surplus revenue for the year was £5,164, or £5,986 below the estimate.

TRADE TOPICS

Mr. J. Smith, late of Papakura, has taken over the Railway Terminus Hotel, Onehunga. Mr. Smith is well and favourably known to the travelling public, and under his regime the Railway.

The Central Hotel, Patea, has changed hands during the past couple of days. Mr. W. Gregg late mine host

of the Empire Hotel at Hawera, has purchased Mr. Wimsett's interest in the Central and took possession on Monday last. Mr. and Mrs. Wimsett contemplate taking a trip to Australia shortly.

Archdeacon Boyce of Sydney, has submitted a statement showing that the drink bill decreased by £45,900 last year. He attributes the decrease to restrictive legislation. The New South Wales drink bill last year amounted to £5,317,682, equal to £3

5s 5d per head of the population, a decrease of 2s 1d per head, compared with the previous year.

In the Federal House of Representatives, Mr. Tudor (Minister for Customs) said he was aware that South African wines were admitted to New Zealand on better terms than Australian. He added that he would be prepared to consider some reciprocal treatment with New Zealand which would place Australian wines on an equal footing.

We learn that Mrs. O'Neill has disposed of her interest in the Stratford Club Hotel to Mr. Charles Diamond, formerly of the Albion Hotel, Patea.

At Wellington on Monday, Norman Reginald Smith was sentenced to one month's imprisonment for sly-grog selling. William Robert Swanson was similarly penalised. Two young men who were caught in one of the premises raided were each fined £2.

The Kelvin Hotel, at Belfast, was burned to the ground last week. Three of the boarders were burnt to death and five badly injured while jumping out of the windows.

The award relating to the Wellington Cooks' and Waiters' Union, which came into force on August 1, clashes with statute law at one point. Section 4 of the award states: "A week's work for all classes of hotel-workers covered by this award shall not exceed 65 hours." This section includes barmaids. Clause 1, section 162, of the Licensing Act, provides: "No female, other than the licensee or the wife or daughter of the licensee, as the case be, shall be employed in the bar of any licensed house for more than 10 hours in each day of 24 hours, and no female except as aforesaid shall with or without her consent be employed in the bar of any licensed house after the hour of 11 at night." As the bar has to be closed on Sundays, the Act thus stipulates that a barmaid's hours shall not exceed 60 per week.

Speaking on "Public-house Reform" at a special meeting of the council of the Charity Organisation Society, Mr. R. Cripps (secretary of the People's Refreshment House Association) London, declares that the ideal reformed house would, by its general appearance, help the manager to realise that he was not an ordinary publican. No brewer's or distiller's name would appear, and inside the house there would be no advertisements of beer and spirits other than the printed



MR. HARRY PHYDORA AS THE WIDOW TWANKEY IN "ALADDIN."



A SCENE FROM "ALADDIN," THE FAMOUS PANTOMIME TO BE STAGED BY MR. J. C. WILLIAMSON AT AUCKLAND ON MONDAY.

price lists. The bars themselves would have a certain stock ready to hand, but that would be exposed as little as possible. In place of the ordinary framed advertisements of whisky there would be pictures and well-printed notices calling attention to the serving of tea, coffee, and food. Their presence and the general decoration and arrangement of the house would all help both the manager and the customers by automatic suggestion.

The business at the next meeting of the Pahiatua Licensing Committee, to be held at Woodville on Friday, September 2nd, will include applications for the transfer of licenses in respect to the following four hotels:—Kumeroa Hotel, from Mr. Bright to Mr. Fletcher (Te Nui); Makuri Hotel, from Mr. P. T. Pedersen to Mr. Potts (Wanganui); Dudley Arms Hotel (Mangatainoka), from Mr. T. Grace to Mrs. Brewer (Wellington); Wimbledon Hotel, from Mr. Bell to Mr. Pacey.

The Rutland Hotel, Wanganui has always been a popular rendezvous with the travelling public, and scarcely needs any further recommendation. It has recently been taken over by Mr. Thos. Lawless, formerly mine host of the Stratford Hotel, Stratford, and under his experienced supervision, it cannot fail to increase in favour and worthily uphold its high standard of excellence. The hotel has been rebuilt and newly furnished in an up-to-date style. The reading, writing and smoke rooms are replete with every convenience, and an air of comfort and luxury pervades all the appointments. "The Home of the Tourist," the Rutland Hotel has been termed, and in the hands of Mr. and Mrs. Lawless, who are both well known throughout the Auckland Provincial district, it is true to its name, for friends, old and new can depend on a warm welcome and a pleasant stay.

It has been left to a German to establish the first reformed public-house in London. Presumably he has got all his plans passed for the establishment which will shortly be opened in Oxford Street, near the Circus. Comfortable chairs and lounges will be provided and a man will be able to take his glass of beer or whisky while his wife sips her tea or coffee. Chess, draughts and dominoes will be provided and there will be a plentiful supply of papers and periodicals. The experiment will be watched with interest, but after all, the L. V. Gazette informs us, Mr. Appenrodt has been practically forestalled by Lyons and Co., who have a number of so-called restaurants where alcoholic liquor is obtainable. The Oxford Street public-house, we are told, is to be practically a club without a subscription.

The New York correspondent of the Daily Mail, reports that Mr. J. D. Rockefeller's physicians have ordered whisky baths owing to his lowered vitality, and that he rises at daybreak for this purpose. Mr. Rockefeller's enemies, it is reported, bitterly assailed him until his consumption of whisky was explained.

It is astonishing what the public will endure from these "tea-poper" cranks, (says Sydney "Fair Play".) Townsman will sit calmly at a "rousing" temperance lecture, and unmoved, hear statements which they know of their own personal knowledge are untrue of their fellow-townsmen who cater for the public in hotels. All the epithets which are bestowed upon the low negro dive in Georgia, or in the Bowery, are copied from the American "temperance" press, and shot at the decent Australian hotel-keeper. The listeners in our country towns know that the statements are untrue, as applied to our local circumstances. If some of the statements were true, it would mean that the whole of the State Police and Crown Law Departments are debauched and bribed to remain silent, while there are perpetual and flagrant derelictions of the laws of the country. Usually the average citizen laughs over the lecture the following morning; and abates nothing in his courtesy towards or friendship for the local hotelkeeper if he is the good fellow he usually is. But the "average citizen" ought, when he knows the temperance lecturer is relating a fable, get up and hit him with a brick.

Messrs Dwan Bros., Willis Street, Wellington, report, having sold the lease, furniture and goodwill of Hattie's Hotel, Feilding, to Mr. Henry

Shotlander (late of the Inglewood Hotel, Inglewood); Mrs. Quinn's interest in the Prince of Wales Hotel, Tory Street, Wellington, to Mr. M. O'Brien (late of Sydney); Mr. R. J. Paul's interest in the Mount Egmont Hotel, Midhurst, Taranaki, to Mr. James O'Connell, of Stratford; Mr. Thomas Green's interest in the lease, goodwill and furniture of the Post Office Hotel, Picton, to Mr. Samuel McIntyre (late of the Commercial Hotel, Westport); Mr. G. H. William's interest in the lease, furniture and goodwill of the Masonic Hotel, Blenheim, to Mr. R. J. Paul (late of Midhurst); the lease, furniture and goodwill of the Royal Oak Hotel, Pymont, Sydney, N.S.W., to Mr. Thomas Nott (formerly of Eketahuna); Mrs. O'Neill's interest in the lease, furniture and goodwill of the Club Hotel, Stratford, to Mr. Charles Diamond (for many years in business in the Albion Hotel, Patea); Mr. Bell's interest in the lease, furniture and goodwill of the Wimbledon Hotel, Wimbledon, Hawke's Bay, to Mr. William Pacey (late of Levin); the freehold of the Taueru Hotel, Taueru, Wairarapa, to Mr. W. B. Ingham (late of Kaikoura). Messrs. Dwan Bros., also report having sold freehold farm of 700 acres in the Inglewood district, to Mr. Hubert Collins (late of Rangiora and Kaikoura, (South Island), for the sum of £8,400.

The Court of Appeal, in a Shore-ditch assessment case, according to a London cable, upheld the Divisional Court's declaration that an increase in license duty under the Budget of 1910 was prima facie evidence of a reduction in the value of a public-house. The cost of the license in this instance was suddenly raised from £35 to £130, equivalent to half the rent of the tenant. For assessment purposes the Court was now entitled to deduct the increase in duty on £260 whereat it was formerly rated.

In the recent Illinois (U.S.A.) campaign, thirty-nine towns changed from "dry" to "wet," and only nineteen towns changed from "wet" to "dry." This is a distinctive gain in favour of regulation, and such reports are much more satisfactory than those that we have been in the habit in the past of securing, where our conventions would be told that during the year there had been so many fights, the "wets" winning the majority of them, where in fact we had simply won in a certain number of "wet" towns and in no "dry" places, and where most of the "dry" victories were at the expense of the "wet" territory. In the Nebraska fight the "wets" also gained ground, but in Michigan we gained only two counties from the "dry" column, and lost twelve counties from the "wet" column. In speaking of this, the St. Louis "Republic" in a recent issue says:—"The most impressive feature of the elections this spring in which prohibition has been the issue, is the number of communities of considerable population which have tested the no-license plan and have abandoned it."—Bononforts."

PUBLIC-HOUSE REFORM.

AN INTERESTING EXPERIMENT.

(From "London Daily Mail.")

Can there be such a thing as an ideal public-house? To the rigid and uncompromising teetotaler such a phrase will appear a contradiction in terms. The public-house is to him a pest-house, and all its works are evil. There are others, however—and they are by no means a negligible number—who think that the true solution of the drink problem is to be found in the improvement of the public-house rather than in its abolition.

To such the experiment inaugurated by the Herts and Essex Public-House Trust Company, Limited, will prove of interest. This company now controls some fourteen public-houses in the countries of Hertford, Essex, and Middlesex. Each of these is managed by a manager of tried capacity, and each is comfortably furnished. In each the beer is of the best quality, and in each meals may be obtained. Each, too, is fully licensed, but the manager is paid a commission on his receipts on non-alcoholic beverages, while he receives nothing on the sale of beer, wine and spirits—though he is paid, of course, a living wage.


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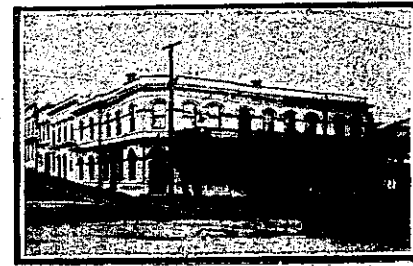
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observed with surprise that the takings for food seldom fell far short of those for alcoholic refreshment, and in some cases even exceeded them. He was further informed that, since the acquisition of this house by the trust, the proportion of non-alcoholics had risen from nil to 40 per cent.

It is gratifying to be able to record that the experiment is proving a success. So great a success, indeed, that the trust now contemplates extending its operations into the neighbouring counties of Berks, Bucks, Oxford, Leicester, and Rutland.

At the week-end a party of directors and press representatives visited, by motor car, a number of these houses. The party included the Earl of Lytton (chairman), Mr. F. E. McCormack-Goodhart, Colonel Dudley Vane, Mr. Alexander F. Part (managing director), and Mr. Alexander Jenkins (secretary).

The first house visited was the Red Lion, at Radlett where great improvements have been made, during recent years. A billiard-room has been added, and several bedrooms—clean, lofty, and spacious—prepared for the reception of guests. From Radlett the party proceeded to Ridge Hill, where the Waggon and Horses, a picturesque little hostelry, covered with a creeper, and with an exquisitely painted signboard, was inspected. A halt was made for lunch at the Bridge-water Arms, Little Gaddesden. Formerly a country "pub," this house has been transformed into a flourishing hotel. It stands in the midst of scenery of the most exquisite beauty, and there is some good fishing in the district.

Lunch over, the party concluded their tour by a visit to the Rose and Crown, at Tring. This is by far the most pretentious of all the hotels in the possession of the Trust. It possesses an enormous billiard-room, a racquet-court, a bowling-green. Furthermore, a handsomely-appointed concert-room has been added, and a series of Saturday afternoon concerts—for which no charge will be made to those taking tea in the hotel—has been arranged.

At the annual meeting of the Trust, which was held at the Rose and Crown, and presided over by the Earl of Lytton, the chairman announced that the profits of this year would enable them to pay five per cent, which, under their articles of incorporation, was the highest interest they could take.

THE NORTHERN WAIROA HOTEL.

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The rapid growth of North Auckland has been responsible for the transformation of what, in many cases, were hotels of minor importance into the leading grade of Dominion houses. Particularly is this the case with Northern Wairoa licensed premises, which, owing to the progress of settlement, have been extended in order to cope with the demands of the travelling public. The Northern Wairoa Hotel has ever been a favourite house with commercials and farmers, and to-day, stands equal to any house in the province in regard to popularity, accommodation, and high repute. During the past few years extensive additions have been made to the establishment, which now houses 60 guests, and daily entertains 50 at the table d'hote. The drawing, smoking, and parlour rooms are fitted in a somewhat lavish scale and the house, with its wide balconies overlooking the noble and busy river, makes an ideal residence. On the ground floor an up-to-date circular bar, attended to by three experts, meets the steady cosmopolitan demand, whilst a saloon bar furnished with exceptional taste, caters for those who prefer quietude and seclusion. A full staff of 14 attend to the requirements of guests, under the skilled management of the proprietor, Mr. F. C. Bass, who, as a chief steward in the Union Company, is widely known to New Zealand travellers. The house is connected

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A BREWER HONOURED.

The order of the Knight of St. Gregory has been conferred by Pope Pius X. upon Mr. Lawrence Fabacher, the big brewer of New Orleans, and the papers are exhibiting pictures of Mr. Fabacher in the full uniform and regalia of this order.

The honour that has been conferred upon Mr. Fabacher is an unusual one, and it was done at the request of Archbishop Blenk, of New Orleans, during his recent visit to Rome, and it was the first time that the ceremony had been performed publicly in New Orleans. It was done with great pomp and solemnity at the St. Louis Cathedral on Easter morning.

The ceremony was of purely a religious character, and when the attendant priests fastened the sword on the candidate, the Archbishop said: "Buckle on thy sword upon thy thigh mightily; and remember that not by the sword but through faith have the saints overcome kingdoms."

Mr. Fabacher is one of the first citizens of New Orleans, and he has friends all over the country who will rejoice that so great an honour has come to him.—"Bonforts."

EXTREMES AND REACTION.

Even the most rabid preachers of Prohibition are beginning to see that applying panaceas now which are suited perhaps for, (says Sydney "Fair Play") a century later on must inevitably lead to re-action. If the people are not ready for Prohibition, then, to fasten the system upon them means illicit drinking and law-made crimes. Here is the Rev. Aquilla Webb, a leading Presbyterian minister of Louisville, U.S.A., (where they know something about Prohibition) declaring that "under present economic conditions, it is impossible to get rid of the saloon, and it is useless to inveigh against it without providing a suitable substitute." He showed how the so-called reformers are wasting their time and energy in the present anti-saloon campaign and "are doing nothing to change the environments

which make the saloon a necessity." Not only does he condemn the campaign itself, but he condemns that particular phase of it which lives on abuse of the saloonkeeper. He says:—

"The average utterance against the saloon is violent and extreme. While we admit the evil of the saloon, we must remember that the saloonkeeper is himself a product of conditions that make the tariff inevitable. Until something better takes its place, it will remain. Instead of wasting our breath berating the business, we will gain the victory only by changing the environment which makes the business a paying one. Stamp the saloon out to-day, offer no changed environment, and it will be back stronger than ever to-morrow."

The recent victories for the "wets," in many parts of the U.S.A., which have restored the saloon to places which fanaticism had made "dry" districts prove that the Rev. Mr. Webb's dicta are true.

We are tired of hearing the eulogiums of New Zealand from the "temperance" party of N.S.W. If we were to believe them, we should have to believe also that No-License was the Philosopher's Stone that human nature would, through its influence, undergo some strange and magical change.—Sydney "Fair Play."

At Chesterfield recently some interesting evidence was given regarding tests of sobriety which were tried by a doctor on a man who had been arrested. The defendant was Benjamin Smart, who, it was alleged, was drunk in charge of a horse and trap in High Street, Chesterfield, last January, when a man named Churchyard was run down. The case was heard before two magistrates on February 10, but a new trial was ordered.—Dr. F. N. Jaboor, who was called in by Smart after that he had been taken to the police-station, said he tried several tests, and now stated positively that the man was not drunk. These tests included the telling of the time by his (the doctor's) hunter watch, walking a straight line, standing with his feet close together, hands down by his thighs and his eyes closed, without swaying. He also got him to swing his arms quickly round and bring his index finger smartly to the tip of his nose. All these he did satisfactorily.—The police, however, held that Smart was drunk, and said he staggered to a chair, tried to sing, but made a poor attempt, and remarked, "A still tongue makes a wise head, and a wise head makes a still tongue."—The Bench convicted the defendant and fined him 10s and costs.—Mr. A. Neal (Sheffield), who defended, said

Mary had a little ham
(A pound or so—with eggs),
And off she ran to catch the tram.
For she had nimble legs!
She wore a Merry Widow hat,
And staggering coliffure,
And had a cold, but soon fixed that
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he had definite instructions to appeal, and sureties were found—one of £2 and two of £10 each.

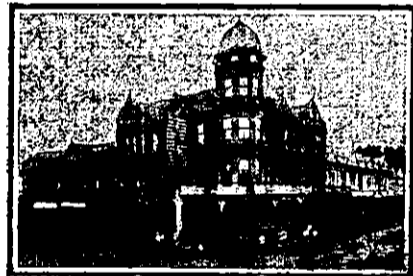
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"What animal is satisfied with the least nourishment?" asked a natural history teacher. "The moth," replied a student confidently. "It eats nothing but holes!"

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She (watching the beauties of the surrounding country): "Oh, Harry, look at the glorious tint of Nature's smiling moods. So indistinguishably wonderful, isn't it?"

He (from the depths of the picnic basket): "Yes. Did you bring the tin opener?"

A LOT IN A NAME.

"A wonderful man is my uncle," said little Binks, "so very original and witty. He says he called his dog 'Sausage,' because it was half bread; and his prize cockerel 'Robinson,' because it Crusoe."

A GENTLE HINT.

"You know that ten dollars you lent me—"

"Not now. Introduce me—"

WOULDN'T HEAR HER THERE.

A story went the rounds of the English papers some time back concerning Miss Ada Crossley. The incident covered happened at one of the West of England cathedrals, in which the famous Three Festivals are held. A pew-holder was demanding free admission to one of the afternoon recitals by virtue of his occupancy of a pew. "No sir," said the verger, "you cannot pass in without a ticket."

"But I tell you I'm a pew-holder," expostulated the irate citizen.

"Yessir, I know; and your bein' so admits you any other time but this. This is a special occasion. It bain't the hon'rary choir wot's reciting sir, it's the Three Festivals Choir and Miss H'Ada Crossley's a-soloing. No one can't get in without a ticket."

"Perhaps you'll tell me next I shall require a ticket to enter the Kingdom of Heaven?" exclaimed the angry dead-head.

"Well, no sir," replied the verger. "But then you won't 'ear H'Ada Crossley in 'Eaven!"

CUTTING!

Private Doolan, the regimental barber, was well known for his carelessness. One day, while shaving Pat Dougherty, he had the misfortune to cut his patron's cheek several times.

Pat took all these gashes in grave silence, but when the shave was over he walked over to his water-bottle, which he filled with water, took a mouthful, and, with compressed lips, proceeded to shake his head from side to side.

"What's the matter? You ain't got the toothache?" asked the barber.

"Whist! I was only after trying if my mouth would hold water without leaking!" replied Pat.

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"I have found out how the fire started," said the detective. "A man on the top floor dropped a match down the lift shaft. It went off as it struck the bottom, and set fire to some waste paper."

"How do you know?" asked the chief.

"I followed a man on suspicion, searched him, and found he had no matches about him. That was all the clue I needed. He had dropped his last match down that shaft."

"That won't do," said the chief, carelessly throwing away the stump of his cigar. "Don't you know, you ignoramus, that a man's last match always goes out?"

Stung by this exposure of the palpable absurdity of his hypothesis, the mortified detective hurried away in search of a new clue.

SLIGHTLY TANGLED.

It was the great case between Sir Shivveren Shakes the Earl of Gurl, and Sir Shivveren Shakes had just been called into the witness-box. His knees trembled, his lips quivered, and his forehead broke out into a cold perspiration as he beheld the reporters feverishly writing pen-pictures of him, the artists cartooning him, and the secret press photographers "snapping" him.

"Now," said the lawyer, "how far is it from your place to the Earl of Gurl's estate?"

"Ab-b-bout four miles," replied Sir Shivveren, "as the f-f-flow cries."

"As the what?" queried the lawyer

"I m-mean, as the c-cry flows."

The audience began to titter.

"That is t-to s-s-say," stuttered the knight, "as the f-f fly crows."

HE KNEW HUMAN NATURE.

A school master, after telling his pupils the story of Ananias and Sapphira, asked them: "Why is not everybody who tells lies struck dead?"

After a long silence one little fellow exclaimed, "Because there wouldn't be nobody left."

SHE SPELT BY EAR.

"See here!" exclaimed the senior member, addressing a pretty stenographer recently appointed to the office staff, "you've spelt sugar 's-u-g-g-a-r.'"

The young woman looked critically at the typewritten page. Finally her face brightened. "So I have," she replied, as sweetly as the article itself. "How careless of me! I don't see how I came to leave out the 'h.'"

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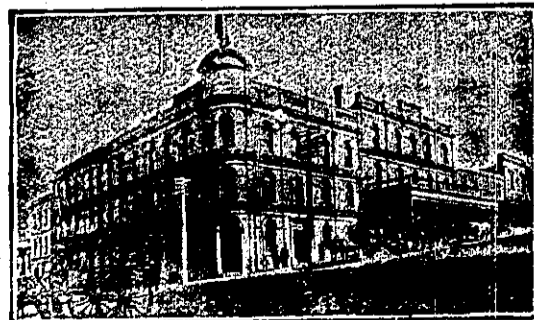
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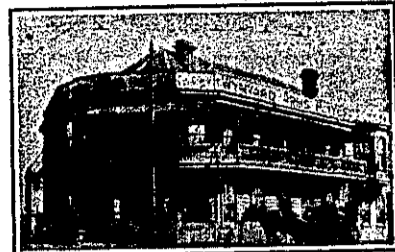
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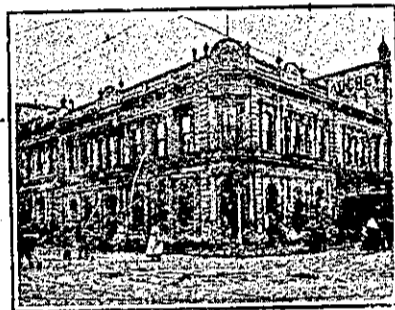
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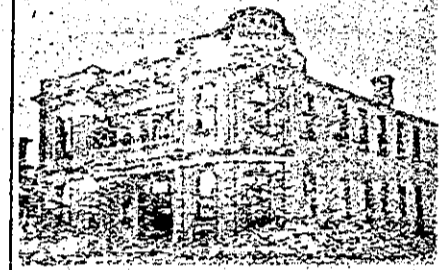
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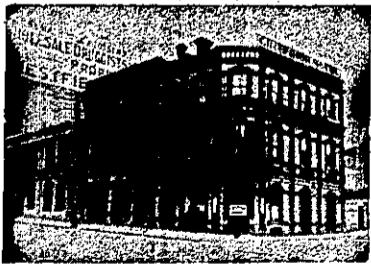
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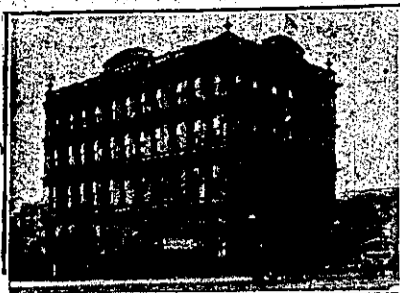
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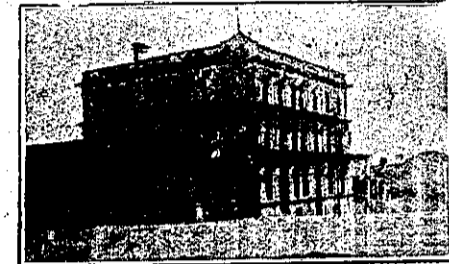
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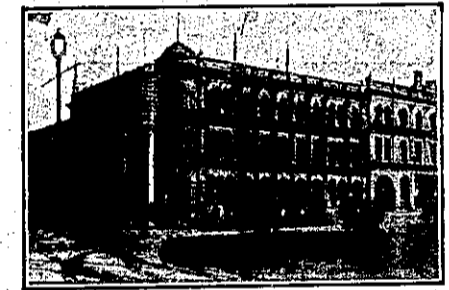
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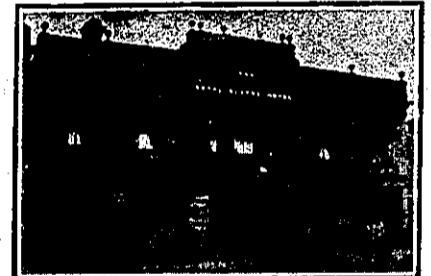
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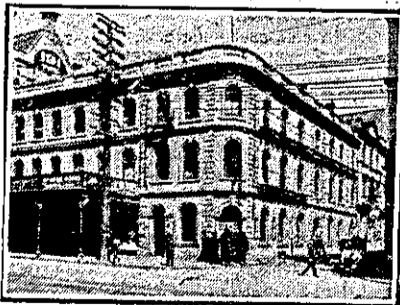
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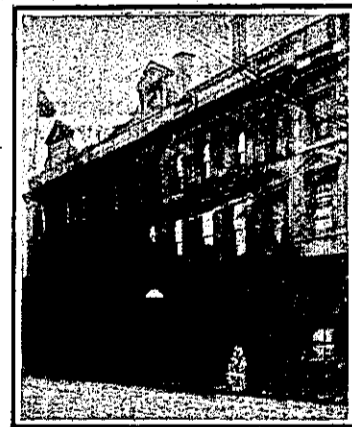
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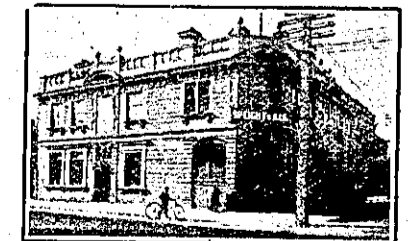
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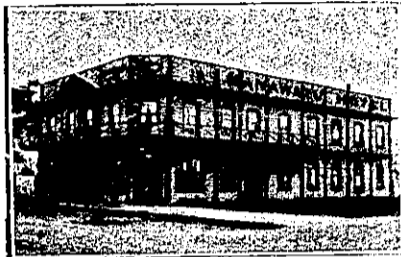
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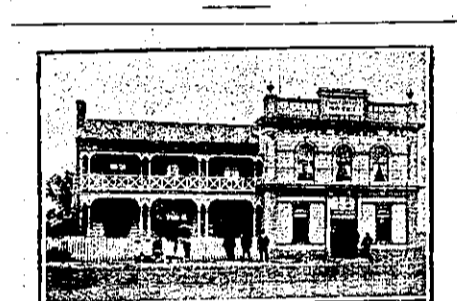
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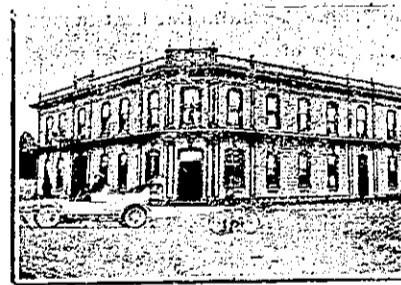
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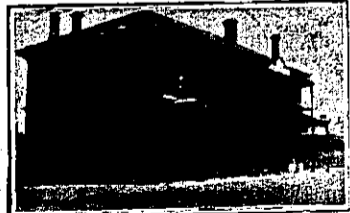
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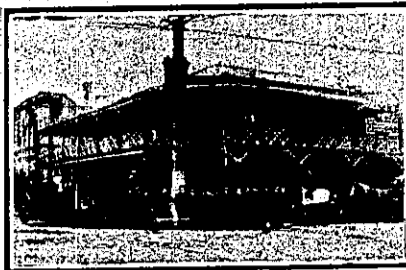
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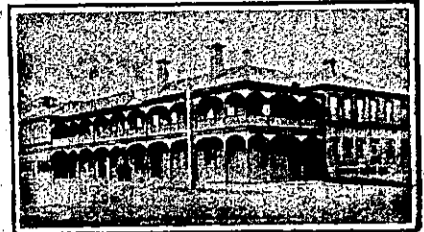


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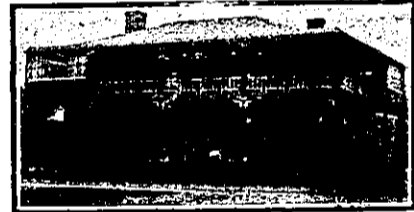
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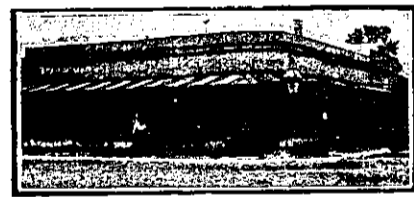
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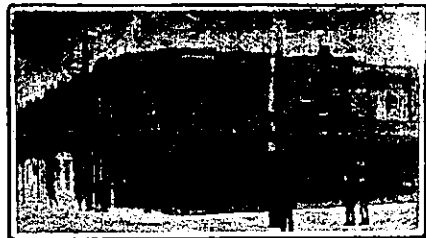
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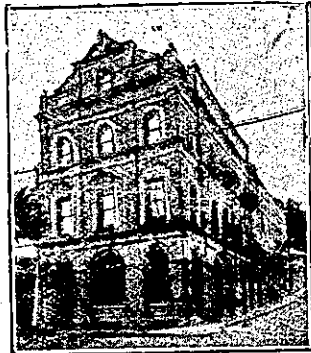
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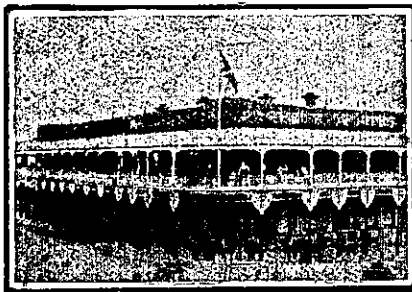
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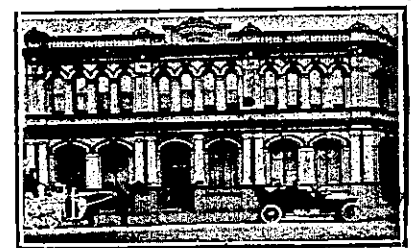
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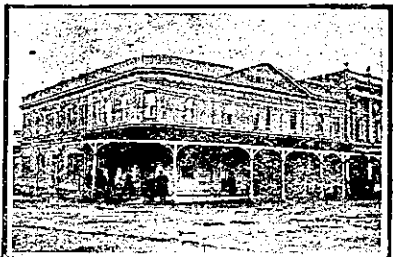
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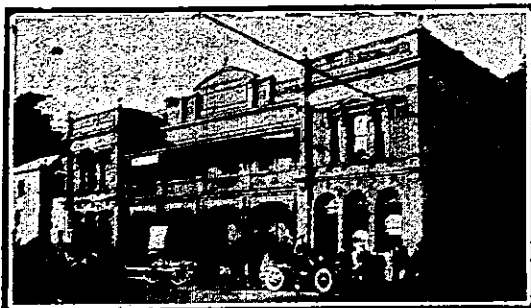
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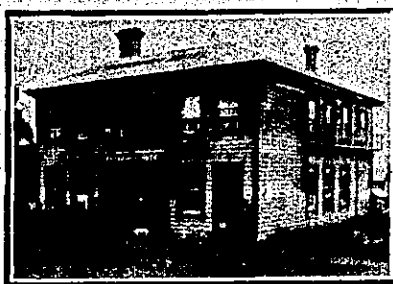
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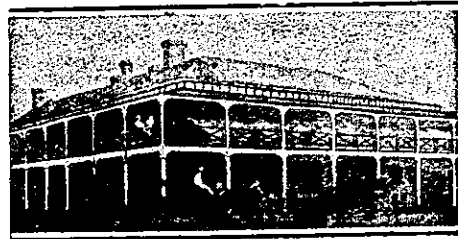
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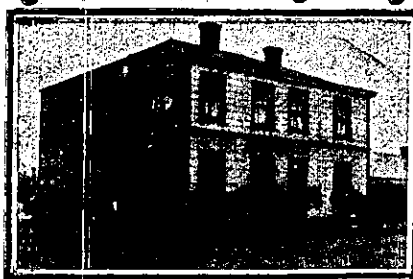
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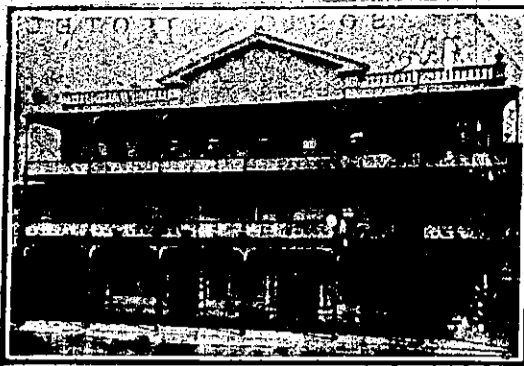
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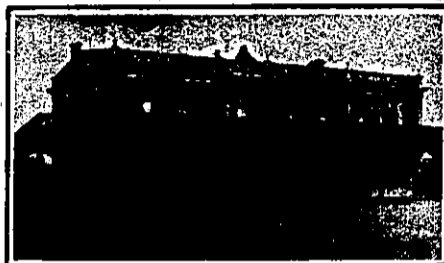
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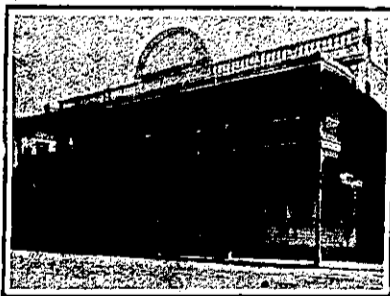


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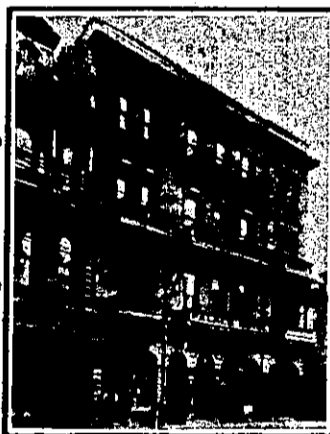
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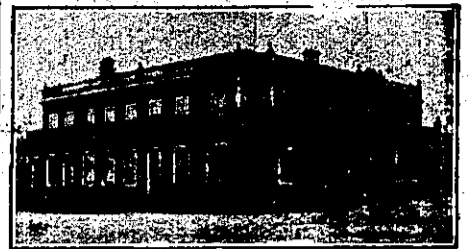
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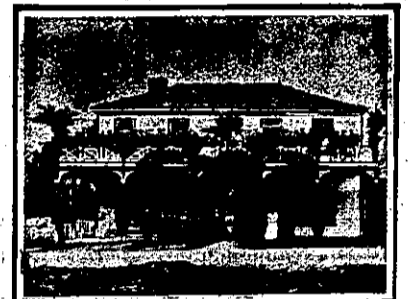
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