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AUTUMN MEETING.

SATURDAY, APRIL 15, MONDAY, APRIL 17th and TUESDAY, APRIL 18, 1911.

FIRST DAY.

SATURDAY, APRIL 15th, 1911.

TRADESMEN'S HANDICAP of 200sovs; second horse to receive 35sovs and third horse 15sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Winners of any flat race after declaration of weights to carry 5lb penalty. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each. One mile and a quarter.

BRIGHTON HURDLE RACE (HANDICAP) of 200sovs; second horse to receive 35sovs and third horse 15sovs out of the stake. Over eight flights of hurdles. Winner of any hurdle race after declaration of weights to carry 7lb penalty. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each. Two miles.

GORE-BROWNE HANDICAP of 125 sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs and third horse 10sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards that have never won a flat race of the value of 100sovs, or flat races of the collective value of 250 sovs at time of starting. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each. Six furlongs.

EASTER HANDICAP of 750sovs; second horse to receive 125sovs and third horse 75sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Winner of any flat race after declaration of weights to carry 5lb penalty. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each. Seven furlongs.

EDEN HANDICAP of 175sovs; second horse to receive 25sovs and third horse 10sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Winner of any flat race after declaration of weights to carry 5lb penalty. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each. Five furlongs.

ELLERSLIE HANDICAP of 175sovs; second horse to receive 25sovs and third horse 10sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each. Six furlongs.

NELSON HANDICAP of 125sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs and third horse 10sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards that have never won a flat race of the value of 100sovs, or flat races of the collective value of 250sovs at time of starting. Winner of any flat race after declaration of weights to carry 5lb penalty. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each. Seven furlongs.

TRAMWAY HANDICAP of 175sovs; second horse to receive 25sovs and third horse 10sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Winner of any flat race after declaration of weights to carry 5lb penalty. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each. Five furlongs.

SECOND DAY.

EASTER MONDAY, APRIL 17th, 1911.
THE STEWARDS' HANDICAP of 175 sovs; second horse to receive 25sovs and third horse 10sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each. One mile.

MANGERE HANDICAP of 125sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs and third horse 10sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards that have never won a flat race of the value of 100sovs, or flat races of the collective value of 250sovs at time of starting. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each. Six furlongs.

NORTHERN CHAMPAGNE STAKES of 750sovs; second horse to receive 125sovs and third horse 75sovs out of the stake. Colts, 8.10; fillies, 8.8; geldings, 8.7. By subscription of 8sovs each, unless forfeit of 1sov is declared and paid by 9 p.m. on General Entry Day, Autumn Meeting, 1911 (Friday, March 24th). All horses remaining in after that date must pay the subscription of 8sovs on Friday, 7th April, by 9 p.m. All forfeits go to make up or increase the stake. Six furlongs.

ST. GEORGE'S HANDICAP of 750sovs; second horse to receive 125sovs and third horse 75sovs out of the stake. Winner of any flat race after declaration of weights to carry 5lb penalty. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 7sovs each. One mile and a quarter.

HUIA HANDICAP of 300sovs; second horse to receive 50sovs and third horse 25sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Winner of any flat race after declaration of weights to carry 5lb penalty. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 2sovs each. Six furlongs.

AUTUMN STEEPLECHASE (HANDICAP) of 300sovs; second horse to receive 50sovs and third horse 25sovs out of the stake. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 2sovs each. About three miles and a-half.

VICTORIA HANDICAP of 175sovs; second horse to receive 25sovs and third horse 10sovs out of the stake. For two-year-olds. Winner of Champagne Stakes to carry 10lb penalty. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each. Five furlongs.

ELECTRIC HANDICAP of 175sovs; second horse to receive 25sovs and third horse 10sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. The winner of any flat race after declaration of weights to carry 5lb penalty. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each. Five furlongs.

THIRD DAY.

EASTER TUESDAY, APRIL 18th, 1911.
MAIDEN HURDLE RACE (HANDICAP) of 125sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs and third horse 10sovs out of the stake. For all horses that have never won a hurdle race of the value of 100sovs, or hurdle races of the collective value of 250sovs at time of starting. Over seven flights of hurdles. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each. One mile and three-quarters.

ONSLow STAKES (HANDICAP) of 125 sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs and third horse 10sovs out of the stake. For two-year-olds that have never won a race of the value of 50sovs, or races of the collective value of 150sovs at time of starting. Entrance 1sov and acceptance 1sov each. Five furlongs.

GREAT NORTHERN OAKS of 400sovs; second horse to receive 75sovs and third horse 25sovs out of the stake. For three-year-old fillies, 8.10. By subscription of 5sovs each, unless forfeit of 1sov is declared and paid by 9 p.m. on General Entry Day, Autumn Meeting, 1911 (Friday, 24th March). All horses remaining in after this date must pay the subscription of 5sovs on Friday, 7th April, by 9 p.m. The winner of any race (not a handicap) after August 1st, 1910, of the value of 300sovs to carry 5lb extra; of 500sovs, 7lb extra; of 1000sovs, collectively, 10lb extra. Maidens allowed 7lb. One mile and a-half.

AUTUMN HANDICAP of 750sovs; second horse to receive 125sovs and third horse 75sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 7sovs each. One mile and a-half.

ST. HELIER'S HURDLE RACE (HANDICAP) of 200sovs; second horse to receive 35sovs and third horse 15sovs out of the stake. Over eight flights of hurdles. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each. Two miles.

BUCKLAND HANDICAP of 200sovs; second horse to receive 35sovs and third horse 15sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Winner of any flat race after declaration of weights to carry 5lb penalty. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each. Seven furlongs.

TOURIST HANDICAP of 125sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs and third horse 10sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards that have never won a flat race of the value of 100sovs, or flat races of the collective value of 250sovs at time of starting. Winner of any flat race after declaration of weights to carry 5lb penalty. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each. Five furlongs.

AUCKLAND WELTER HANDICAP of 200sovs; second horse to receive 35 sovs and third horse 15sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Winner of any flat race after declaration of weights to carry 5lb penalty. Minimum weight, 8.0. Entrance 1sov, and acceptance 1sov each. One mile.

DATES OF NOMINATIONS, ACCEPTANCES, ETC.

AUTUMN MEETING, 1911.

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

FRIDAY, MARCH 10th, by 9 p.m.
NOMINATIONS.—Brighton Hurdles 1 sov, Easter Handicap 1sov, St. George's Handicap 1sov, Autumn Steeplechase 1 sov, Autumn Handicap 1sov.

FRIDAY, MARCH 24th (GENERAL ENTRY), by 9 p.m.
ACCEPTANCES.—Brighton Hurdles 1 sov, Easter Handicap 2sovs, Autumn Steeplechase 2sovs.

NOMINATIONS.—Tradesmen's Handicap 1sov, Gore-Browne Handicap 1sov, Eden Handicap 1sov, Ellerslie Handicap 1sov, Nelson Handicap 1sov, Tramway Handicap 1sov, Stewards' Handicap 1sov, Mangere Handicap 1sov, Huia Handicap 1sov, Victoria Handicap 1sov, Electric Handicap 1sov, Maiden Hurdle Handicap 1sov, Onslow Stakes Handicap 1sov, St. Helier's Hurdles Handicap 1sov, Buckland Handicap 1sov, Tourist Handicap 1sov, Auckland Welter Handicap 1sov.

FRIDAY, APRIL 7th, by 9 p.m.
ACCEPTANCES.—Tradesmen's Handicap 1sov, Gore-Browne Handicap 1sov, Eden Handicap 1sov, Ellerslie Handicap 1sov, Nelson Handicap 1sov, Tramway Handicap 1sov.

FINAL PAYMENTS.—Easter Handicap 4sovs, Great Northern Champagne Stakes (Sub.) 8sovs, Great Northern Oaks (Sub.) 8sovs.

SATURDAY, APRIL 15th, by 9 p.m.
ACCEPTANCES.—Stewards' Handicap 1sov, Mangere Handicap 1sov, St. George's Handicap 7sovs, Huia Handicap 2sovs, Victoria Handicap 1sov, Electric Handicap 1sov.

MONDAY, APRIL 17th, by 9 p.m.
ACCEPTANCES.—Maiden Hurdle Handicap 1sov, Onslow Stakes Handicap 1 sov, Autumn Handicap 7sovs, St. Helier's Hurdles 1sov, Buckland Handicap 1sov, Tourist Handicap 1sov, Auckland Welter Handicap 1sov.

DATES ON WHICH HANDICAPS APPEAR.

MONDAY, MARCH 20th.
Brighton Hurdles, Easter Handicap, Autumn Steeplechase.

FRIDAY MARCH 24th.
Tradesmen's Handicap, Gore-Browne Handicap, Eden Handicap, Ellerslie Handicap, Nelson Handicap, Tramway Handicap.

SATURDAY, APRIL 15th, by 8 p.m.
Stewards' Handicap, Mangere Handicap, St. George's Handicap, Huia Handicap, Victoria Handicap, Electric Handicap.

MONDAY, APRIL 17th, by 8 p.m.
Maiden Hurdle Handicap, Onslow Stakes Handicap, Autumn Handicap, St. Helier's Hurdles, Buckland Handicap, Tourist Handicap, Auckland Welter Handicap.

J. F. HARTLAND, Secretary.

AUCKLAND TROTTING CLUB.

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(Pony Races under the Rules of the New Zealand Racing Conference.)

AUTUMN MEETING.

To be held on SATURDAY, WEDNESDAY and SATURDAY APRIL 1st, 5th and 8th, 1911.

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PROGRAMME.

FIRST DAY.

SATURDAY, APRIL 1st, 1911.

MAIDEN HANDICAP (HARNESS) of 40sovs; second horse to receive 6sovs from the stake. For all horses that have never won an advertised race exceeding 20sovs in value at time of entry. Limit, 2min. 43sec to the mile. Nomination 15s, acceptance 15s. Distance, one mile and a-half.

STEWARDS' TROT HANDICAP (OPTIONAL) of 80sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs from the stake. For trotters only. Limit, 2min. 43sec. to the mile. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 2sovs. Distance, two miles and a-quarter.

AUTUMN HANDICAP of 60sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs from the stake. For ponies 14 hands 3 inches and under. Nomination, 20s, acceptance 25s. Distance, five furlongs and a-half.

TAKAPUNA HANDICAP (HARNESS) of 100sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs and third horse 5sovs each from the stake. Limit, 5min 7sec. Nomination 1½sovs, acceptance 2sovs. Distance, two miles.

MIDDLE-CLASS HANDICAP (SADDLE) of 60sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs from the stake. For all horses that have never won an advertised race at better than 2min 35sec to the mile at time of entry. All entrants will be handicapped at 2min 45sec or better to the mile. Nomination 20s, acceptance 25s. Distance, one mile and a-half.

HOBSON HANDICAP (HARNESS) of 60sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs from the stake. Limit, 2min 40sec to the mile. Nomination, 20s, acceptance 25s. Distance, one mile and a-half.

CORNWALL HANDICAP (SADDLE) of 100sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs and third horse 5sovs each from the stake. Limit, 2min 30sec. Nomination 1½sovs, acceptance 2sovs. Distance, one mile.

MARCONI HANDICAP (SADDLE) of 60sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs from the stake. Limit, 2min 40sec. Nomination 20s, acceptance 25s. Distance, one mile.

SECOND DAY.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5th, 1911.

CHANNEL HANDICAP (HARNESS) of 55sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs from the stake. For all horses that have never won an advertised race at better than 2min 35sec to the mile at time of entry. All entrants will be handicapped to trot 2min 45sec or better to the mile. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. Distance, one mile and a-half.

HILL TROT HANDICAP (OPTIONAL) of 80sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs and third horse 5sovs each from the stake. Limit, 2min 42sec to the mile. For trotters only. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 2sovs. Distance, three miles.

RANGITOTO HANDICAP (SADDLE) of 100sovs; second horse to receive 10 sovs and third horse 5sovs each from the stake. Limit, 5min 8sec. Nomination 1½sovs, acceptance 2sovs. Distance two miles.

APRIL HANDICAP of 60sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs from the stake. For ponies 14 hands 3 inches and under. Nomination on 20s, acceptance 25s. Distance five furlongs and a-half.

AUTUMN HANDICAP (SADDLE) of 60 sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs from the stake. Limit, 2min 40sec to the mile. Nomination 20s, acceptance 25s. Distance, one mile and a-half.

ADAMS' MEMORIAL HANDICAP (HARNESS) of 60sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs from the stake. Limit, 2min 40sec. Nomination 20s, acceptance 25s. Distance, one mile.

CALLIOPE HANDICAP (HARNESS) of 100sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs and third horse 5sovs each from the stake. Limit, 3min 50sec. Placed horses on the first day may be entered for this race. Such additional entry must be made on or before the night previous to the handicaps being declared. Nomination 1½sovs, acceptance 2sovs. Distance one mile and a-half.

THIRD DAY.

SATURDAY, APRIL 8th, 1911.

BEACH HANDICAP (SADDLE) of 55 sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs from the stake. Limit, 2min 40sec. Nomination 20s, acceptance 20s. Distance one mile.

FORT HANDICAP (HARNESS) of 60 sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs from the stake. For all horses that have never won a race at better than 2min 35sec to the mile at time of entry. Limit, 2min 45sec. Nomination 20s, acceptance 25s. Distance one mile.

CAMPBELL HANDICAP (HARNESS) of 100sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs and third horse 5sovs each from the stake. Limit, 5min 7sec. Nomination 1½sovs, acceptance 2sovs. Distance, two miles.

DEVONPORT HANDICAP of 60sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs from the stake. For ponies 14 hands 3 inches and under. Nomination 20s, acceptance 25s. Distance, five and a-half furlongs.

MEMBERS' HANDICAP TROT (OPTIONAL) of 75sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs and third horse 5sovs each from the stake. Limit, 2min 42 sec. For trotters only. Nomination 1 sov, acceptance 2sovs. Distance, two miles and a-half.

LAKE HANDICAP (HARNESS) of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs and third horse 5sovs each from the stake. Placed horses at the meeting may be entered for this race. Such additional entry must be made on the night previous to the handicaps being declared. Limit, 2min 30sec. Nomination 1½sovs, acceptance 2sovs. Distance, two miles.

FAREWELL HANDICAP (SADDLE) of 60sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs from the stake. Limit, 2min 40sec. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 25s. Distance, one mile.

CONDITIONS.

No Pony shall be allowed to race under the Club unless a certificate of height has been previously obtained from a measurer appointed by the Club. Ponies may be measured with or without shoes, and may be remeasured at the pleasure of the Stewards. No protest or dispute will be allowed in regard to the height of any pony after being passed by the Club's Measurer or Measurers.

Any Horse after Winning may be Re-handicapped.

No horse will be allowed to compete in hoppers in races for trotters only.

By the entry of or endeavouring to enter a horse every person having, or subsequently acquiring, any interest in such horse, shall be deemed to accept all the conditions and restrictions imposed or implied by these Rules, and to be barred from questioning the action of the Club or other body holding a sports meeting, or of any official of the Club or such other body in respect of such horse, or of any person connected therewith, otherwise than as is provided for in Part XXX. of the Rules.

NOMINATIONS, HANDICAPS, AND ACCEPTANCES.

NOMINATIONS CLOSE on Wednesday 15th March, at 9 p.m.

HANDICAPS for the First Day appear on the 20th March. For the Second Day on April 3rd. For the Third Day on April 6th.

ACCEPTANCES for the First Day CLOSE on March 24th, at 9 p.m. For the Second Day on Monday, APRIL 3rd, at 9 p.m. For the Third Day, Thursday APRIL 6th, at 9 p.m.

PURSE FOR RECORD.

A PURSE OF 500SOVS will be given to any stallion or mare establishing a record of 2min 8sec or under, in harness, for one mile.

Should the 2min 8sec record not be obtained, A PURSE OF 250SOVS will be given to the stallion or mare establishing a record, in harness, of better than 2min 9 2-5sec.

In the event of more than one horse competing for the above records, the horse establishing the best time under that stipulated to receive the prize. Flying start. Pacemaker allowed.

Entries must be made on the night of acceptance for the First Day's Races. The Stewards to allot the day and time for each or any individual effort. A deposit of £5 must be made with the entry, such deposit to be forfeited if the competitor fails to trot 2min 16sec, unless the Stewards see good cause or reason otherwise.

C. F. MARK, Secretary.

PATEA RACING CLUB.

ANNUAL MEETING.

(For Hacks only).

EASTER MONDAY, 17th APRIL, 1911.

OFFICERS:

President: Mr. A. Pearce. Vice-presidents: Messrs. Jas. Paterson and S. Gilligan. Judge: Mr. G. Williams. Starter: Mr. A. W. Budge. Handicapper: Mr. G. Morse. Clerk of Scales: Mr. Jas. Paterson. Clerk of Course: Mr. P. Eastbury. Timekeeper: Mr. J. McCarty. Treasurer: Mr. G. W. Booth. Stewards: Messrs. Jas. Paterson, A. Pearce, J. McCarty, G. Williams, T. Jones, C. R. Honeyfield, S. McRae, J. R. Paterson, G. W. Booth, T. Campbell. Secretary: R. W. Hamerton.

PROGRAMME.

1. HANDICAP HURDLES of 75sovs; second horse to receive 15sovs and third horse 5sovs out of the stakes. Distance, about one mile and a-half. Over six flights of hurdles 3ft. 6in. high. The winner of any hurdle race after the declaration of weights to carry a penalty of 10lb. Nomination 15s, acceptance 20s. To start about 11.45 a.m.

2. FLYING HANDICAP of 85sovs; second horse to receive 15sovs and third horse 5sovs out of the stakes. Distance, about three-quarters of a mile. Nomination 20s, acceptance 30s. To start about 12.25 p.m.
3. FARMERS' PLATE of 55sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs and third horse 5sovs out of the stakes. Distance, about one mile. Entrance 30s on general entry night. Open to all horses that have never won a race at time of starting. Welter weight-for-age. Gentlemen riders. To start about 1.5 p.m.
4. PATEA EASTER of 100sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs and third horse 5sovs out of the stakes. Distance, about one mile and a-half. Nomination 20s, acceptance 40s. To start 1.45 p.m.
5. KAKARAMEA STAKES of 55sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs and third horse 5sovs out of the stakes. Distance, about four furlongs and a-half. Weight, 8.0. Winner of any race to carry 14lb extra. Entrance 30s on general entry night. To start about 2.25 p.m.
6. BOROUGH STAKES HANDICAP of 65sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs and third horse 5sovs out of the stakes. Distance, about seven furlongs. Nomination 15s, acceptance 20s. To start about 3.5 p.m.
7. ALTON HIGH WEIGHT HANDICAP of 80sovs; second horse to receive 15sovs and third horse 5sovs out of the stakes. Distance, about one mile. Minimum weight 8.7. Nomination 20s, acceptance 30s. To start about 3.45 p.m.
8. FINAL STAKES of 55sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs and third horse 5sovs out of the stakes. Distance, about four furlongs and a-half. Weight 8.7. Winner of any race to carry 14lb extra. Entrance 30s on general entry night. To start about 4.25 p.m.

DATES OF NOMINATIONS, ACCEPTANCES AND GENERAL ENTRIES.

NOMINATIONS up to 8 p.m. on Monday, 27th March, 1911.

WEIGHTS about Monday, 3rd April, 1911.

ACCEPTANCES AND GENERAL ENTRIES up to 8 p.m. on Monday, 10th April, 1911.

RULES AND REGULATIONS.

1. Definition of a Hack—A hack is a horse that has not at any time, prior to time of entry, won a race of the value of £100 to the winner, or races of the aggregate value of £250 to the winner.
2. The winner of any flat race after the declaration of weights, to carry a penalty of 7lb, and of every additional race 5lb, extra in all handicap flat events.
3. Entries by telegram must give full particulars of the horse, and must be confirmed in writing at the earliest opportunity.
4. Owners, trainers and other entering and accepting horses for this meeting are notified that no entries or acceptances will be received unless accompanied by the necessary amount in cash.
5. The Committee reserves the right to alter the time or date for declaration of Nominations, Weights or Acceptances.
6. The name of the trainer must in all cases be supplied at the time of nomination.

NOTE.—The Post Office closes at 5 p.m.; and the Telegraph Office at 8 p.m.

R. W. HAMERTON, Secretary.

Approved this 17th day of January, 1911.
E. P. WEBSTER, Secretary Taranaki Jockey Club.

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March 16—Waimate R.C. Annual
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 April 5 and 6—Southland R.C. Autumn
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 April 17—Beaumont J.C. Annual
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AUSTRALIA

April 15, 17, 19 and 22—Australian J.C.

NOMINATIONS.

March 22—Greymouth J.C. Autumn (First Day)
 March 24—Auckland R.C. Autumn (General entry)
 March 25—Wairarapa R.C. Autumn
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 March 27—Taieri Amateur T.C. Autumn
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 March 31—Canterbury J.C. Autumn (General entry)
 April 4—Westland R.C. Autumn
 April 7—Avondale J.C. Autumn
 April 8—Greymouth J.C. Autumn (Second Day)
 April 10—Patea R.C. Annual (general entry)
 April 15—Marlborough R.C. Annual
 April 21—Hawke's Bay J.C. Autumn
 April 22—Ashburton Country R.C. Autumn

WEIGHTS ARE DUE.

March 29—Auckland R.C. (principal events)
 March 22—Manawatu R.C. Autumn
 March 22—Southland R.C. Autumn
 March 24—Canterbury J.C. Autumn
 March 29—Greymouth J.C. Autumn
 March 31—Auckland R.C. (First Day)
 April 1—Beaumont J.C. Annual
 April 3—Patea R.C. Annual
 April 7—Feilding J.C. Easter (First Day)
 April 7—Canterbury J.C. Autumn
 April 7—Riverton R.C. Easter
 April 7—Wairarapa R.C. Autumn
 April 8—Taieri Amateur T.C. Autumn
 April 15—Auckland R.C. (Second Day)
 April 18—Westland R.C. Autumn
 April 19—Avondale J.C. Autumn
 April 22—Marlborough R.C. Annual
 May 1—Ashburton Country R.C. Autumn
 May 1—Hawke's Bay J.C. Autumn

ACCEPTANCES.

March 17—Masterton R.C. Autumn
 March 18—North Canterbury J.C. Hack
 March 24—Auckland R.C. (principal events)
 March 28—Manawatu R.C. Autumn
 March 29—Southland R.C. Autumn
 March 31—Canterbury J.C. Autumn
 April 7—Auckland R.C. (First Day)
 April 8—Beaumont J.C. Annual
 April 8—Greymouth J.C. Autumn
 April 10—Feilding J.C. Easter
 April 10—Patea R.C. Annual
 April 11—Wairarapa R.C. Autumn
 April 11—Taieri Amateur T.C. Autumn
 April 12—Riverton R.C. Easter
 April 12—Canterbury J.C. Autumn
 April 19—Westland R.C. Autumn
 April 21—Avondale J.C. Autumn
 April 28—Marlborough R.C. Annual
 May 5—Hawke's Bay J.C. Autumn
 May 5—Ashburton Country R.C. Autumn

FIRST FORFEITS.

March 31—Canterbury J.C. Nineteenth Challenge Stakes and Champagne Stakes
 March 24—A.R.C. Great Northern Champagne Stakes, Great Northern Oaks

SECOND FORFEITS.

April 1—North Island Challenge Stakes, New Zealand St. Leger

SUBSCRIPTION.

Feb. 24—W.J.C. Jackson Stakes.

FINAL PAYMENTS.

March 28—Manawatu Stakes and Manawatu Sires' Produce Stakes
 April 7—A.R.C. Easter Handicap, G.N. Oaks, G.N. Champagne Stakes
 April 12—C.J.C. Easter Handicap, Champagne Stakes, Great Autumn Handicap, and Nineteenth Challenge Stakes

DATES OF COMING EVENTS.

NEW ZEALAND.

April 17—Feilding Cup
 April 17—Northern Champagne Stakes.
 April 17—Great Easter Handicap.
 April 18—Great Northern Oaks.
 April 18—A.R.C. Autumn Handicap.
 April 18—Great Autumn Handicap.
 June 3—Great Northern Hurdle Race.
 June 5—Great Northern Steeplechase.

AUSTRALIA.

April 15—A.J.C. St. Leger.
 April 17—Sydney Cup.

REMINDERS TO OWNERS.

Nominations for all events excepting Manawatu Stakes and Sires' Produce Stakes to be run at the Manawatu R.C. autumn meeting, close to-morrow (Friday) with the secretary, Mr. J. M. Johnston.

To-morrow week is general entry night for the Auckland Racing Club's autumn meeting.

Weights for A.R.C. Easter Handicap, Brighton Hurdles and Autumn Steeplechase are due to appear on Monday.

CURRENT TOPICS.

Catering for Steeplechasers.

The action of the Foxton Racing Club in erecting a number of steeplechase fences on the Foxton course is deserving of commendation and is a matter which other Clubs should give attention to. On all our Metropolitan courses we find steeplechase fences but it appears to be expecting too much from a horse when he is asked to negotiate them at the first time. What is required is two or three smaller jumps, say, a bush fence, water jump and sod wall so that trainers who incline towards giving an animal a chance to earn distinction across country would have no hesitation in doing so. As matters stand trainers do not care about asking a novice to negotiate the big fences as the risk is considered too great. But perhaps asking Racing Clubs to erect small steeplechase fences is like asking for stipendiary stewards. Clarence O'Neill, the well-known trainer, recently supervised the erection of a steeplechase course on the Foxton racecourse. There are seven jumps in all, four in the front stretch inside, of about two furlongs, and another three on the back stretch with a furlong and a half from the first to the third obstacle. The first is a brush fence about four feet seven inches high, two feet through, with a two foot wide ditch on the take off side. The second is a fence made of poplar spars and is three feet six inches high. Another 150 yards further on is a post and rail double, the first fence being three feet nine inches and the second three feet six inches. The next fence is a log fence made out of eight pine tree logs, stacked one on top of the other. This fence is very solid and is four feet four inches in height. The next is a hen coop about three feet nine inches high and five feet wide at the bottom. The last fence is a brush about four feet four inches in height. There can be no question as to this steeplechase course being thoroughly up-to-date, as O'Neill has ridden over hundreds of courses and should be fully acquainted with the various requirements. All the fences are from twenty-four to thirty feet wide. The course is probably the best steeplechase country in the Dominion, as the ground is as level as a bowling green, and of a sandy nature. The innovation has been much appreciated by owners and trainers of cross-country horses and within a short time the grounds should be the rendezvous for a large number of horses.

A.R.C. Entries.

The nominations received by the Auckland Racing Club for the principal events to be decided at the autumn meeting on the 15th, 17th and 18th, of next month, must be regarded as highly satisfactory. For the Easter Handicap, one mile, 48 horses have been nominated, included in the list being such fast animals as Equitas, Kakama, Electrakoff, Antoinette, Gipsy Belle, Royal Soult, North East, Danube, Vice-Admiral, Miss Mischief, Santa Rosa, Obsono, Salute, not to mention others. There are 32 horses in the Autumn Handicap, one mile and a-half, and in addition to most of those mentioned above are Maxwell, Sedition, Paisano and King Soult. The St. George's Handicap, one mile and a-quarter, has drawn an entry of 40 but the Brighton Hurdles has a nomination of only 10 and with the exception of Wimmera and Prophet the company is not strong. The Autumn Steeplechase has filled satisfactorily amongst those engaged being two Great Northern Steeplechase winners in Sol and Red Mc-

Gregor, while Antarctic, whose record over country is four wins out of four starts is also engaged. A pleasing item in connection with the events is the number of "outside" horses nominated and there seems every prospect of the visiting brigade being strongly represented at the gathering. Mr. Morse's adjustments for the Easter Handicap, Brighton Hurdles, and Autumn Steeplechase, are due to appear on Monday next, March 20.

The Australian Cup.

The defeat of Apple Pie in the Australian Cup on Saturday would be a severe blow to most backers at Flemington, for, if one can judge by what he reads, the big two miles and a quarter race was looked upon as little short of a certainty for the brown daughter of Ayr Laddie, who had the services of that successful rider, W. H. McLachlan. She ran a good pace but had to put up with second place, the winner turning up in the five-year-old gelding, The Parisian, by Bobadil—The Parisienne who ran to the front at the home turn and won in a canter by eight lengths in 3min. 57½sec. The time has never been bettered during the history of the race but was equalled by Lord Ullin's Daughter when she won in 1905. The Parisian is trained at Caulfield by C. Wheeler, who also trains the Newmarket Handicap winner, Queen of Scots, and this trainer has the distinction of landing the big autumn double. Wheeler at one time trained the unlucky Tulkeroo, who was beaten half a head in the Melbourne Cup, won by Lord Nolan.

Horses' Companions.

Horses make many quaint companions and assume many even more curious traits. For instance, Bend Or's bosom friend in his stall in the Eaton Hall paddocks was a rather big grey, or sandy-coloured cat, and the stallion was absolutely miserable if that cat was long out of his sight. An erstwhile stable companion of his, Whipper In, the Cheshire Stakes winner, had a blind hen for a friend in his second home in the Argentine. He was then in the ownership of Mr. W. M. Kemmis, at Las Rosas, and one day a hen was found to have hatched a brood of chickens in his yard. All the chickens went blind and died, bar one. It became the horse's boon companion. Whipper In's solicitude towards that hen, which it grew into in the fulness of time, was remarkable. When he wanted to rest he would "nose" round his box until he found her, and would gradually push her round to his chest. Then he would throw himself down, and both would rest together. When he wished to get up he would "nose" her out of harm's way. Pretty Polly, that great racing mare, had as an inseparable companion a cob called Little Missus, and for the St. Leger she galloped down the track to the post with Pretty Polly, everyone roaring at the sight. Sceptre, another Turf heroine, had a fondness for sugar. So indeed had Pretty Polly, Mrs. Gilpin always rewarding her with a piece after a race. Bayardo was rather difficult to get to the post unless he had a stable companion to canter down with him. And so the story goes on. Tristan, another great racehorse, who twice dead-heated for the Champion Stakes at Newmarket and won it on another occasion, had a vicious hatred for red-haired grooms. One day, in the High Street of Newmarket, he caught sight of "Ginger," one notable groom, and rushed at him open mouthed, chasing the lad down a narrow street, but losing his "quarry."

Multiform's Stake Record.

A long-standing record will very probably be removed from the roll ere the present season closes (remarks "Petronel.") I refer to the winning stake record established by Multiform when he was a two-year-old. Stakes have increased in value considerably since Multiform put up his great sequence of victories; but the fact that his two-year-old total has never yet been exceeded is eloquent testimony to his prowess. In his first season, Multiform started in 11 races, and counting his deadheats with St. Lancelot and St. Clements, he won eight times, and in the remaining

three he was second to his stable companion Gold Medallist, whom Mr. Stead publicly declared to be the fastest horse he owned up to six furlongs. Altogether, the two-year-old winnings of the best son of Hotchkiss and Forma amounted to £2761 13s, and the next best total since his day is Menschikoff's, £2555. There was quite a reasonable prospect of Fleet-foot beating the record three years ago, for just before the C.J.C. Autumn Meeting commenced, she was very well, and had won £2300. Everybody knows that she fell lame a few days before the meeting, and that she broke down in the Champagne Stakes. Now another filly threatens danger to Multiform's record. This is Culprit, who really, on her merits, should have beaten the record already. Sheer bad luck lost her the A.R.C. Royal Stakes. So far, the brilliant daughter of Charlemagne II, and Culroy has won six times out of seven starts, and has secured stable money amounting to £2360. Culprit has a number of valuable engagements in the autumn, her name figuring in the Manawatu Stakes of 500 sovs, C.J.C. Challenge Stakes of 750 sovs, North Island Challenge Stakes of 650sovs, and Hawke's Bay Stakes of 400sovs, so that it will be seen she is well positioned to put up a fresh stake record in the two-year-old class.

Improvements at Takapuna.

Since its summer meeting the Takapuna Jockey Club's course and stands have undergone several alterations. The whole of the interior of the main grandstand is being enlarged and up-to-date and roomy dining and tea rooms are being established, besides ladies' private rooms, gentlemen's cloak room, etc. The course has been top-dressed and levelled off, the cost of making the alterations and improvements being between £500 and £600. The whole of the work will be completed in time for the Auckland Trotting Club's meeting next month. I understand that the Club are contemplating the erection of a steeplechase course and if all goes well the winter programme, will in all probability, contain a couple of cross-country events.

Ohinemuri J.C. Meeting.

The last of the country race meetings this season in Auckland will be held on Friday and Saturday, on which days the Ohinemuri Jockey Club will bring off its annual meeting. The meetings at Paeroa are held in high esteem by Auckland sportsmen, and with a good class of horse, together with large fields engaged at the forthcoming gathering, a successful meeting seems assured. The Cup is a particularly strong item, such well-known performers as Royal Soult, Electrakoff, Monoplane, and Master Theory being amongst the acceptances. Monoplane is an improved mare, and backers may prefer her chance, as she finished third in the Taranaki Cup to Lady Medallist. Tamainupo, if in form, would, at the weights, probably beat the lot, and as the little son of Soult has been doing well on the tracks, a good race may be expected from him. Jena, after her performances at the Thames, is well treated in the Shorts Handicap with 7.8 and the sister to Soultline will most likely be a strong order. Six are engaged in the Hurdles, and of the number Cloudy Morn may be withdrawn, as the gelding knocked himself about a bit in the Thames Steeplechase. Taiaha 9.4, should be favourite, but his rider would require to use better judgment than he did on Saturday last, when he was beaten a head by Luscombe. The good field of 14 accepted in the Karangahake Handicap, including Harenoa, who ran unplaced in a hack race at the Te Aroha meeting. A popular event is the Maiden Hurdles, in which nine are engaged, and if started, Taiaha should be favourite.

So far the bulk of the principal autumn events in Australia have fallen to the progeny of Wallace. Blairgour, a son of Wallace, won the Oakleigh Plate and the Futurity Stakes; Queen of Scots, a daughter, won the Newmarket, and Wilari, another son, accounted for the Sires' Produce Stakes.

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LATE RACING.

NAPIER PARK RACING CLUB'S AUTUMN MEETING.

FIRST DAY.

FORT WILLIAM WINS THE CUP.

There was fine weather and a large attendance for the first day of the Napier Park Racing Club's autumn meeting yesterday. The course was in good order. The sum of £11 2/4 passed through the machines, compared with £5 1/2 on the first day of last year. Results are as follow:—

OMARANUI HACK HURDLE RACE. One mile and three-quarters.
Mr. W. H. Judge's b g Artie, 5yrs. by Daunt—Archeress, 9.0 (D. Watt) 1
Mr. E. J. Watt's Kildonan, 9.3 (C. Cress) 2
Mr. A. Ellingham's Dorando, 9.10 (R. Gray) 3
Also started: Donzel 10.0, Burton 9.5, Rabbiter 9.3, Cauldron 9.0, Woollongong 9.0.

Kildonan was first into the straight and led until a chain from home, when Artie joined in, and in a good finish the latter won by a head, with Dorando three lengths away third. Time, 3min 20sec.

ESK HACK HANDICAP. Five furlongs.
Mr. J. Jamieson's b f Allurement, 3yrs. by Soul—Inamorata, 7.13 (H. Gray) 1
Mr. T. H. Lowry's Cullinan, 9.6 (Wilson) 2
Hon. J. D. Ormond's Kathara, 7.13 (Moore) 3
Also started: Winning Post 8.13, Bunkum 8.9, Magneta 7.9, Miss Sylvia 7.7, Eiya 7.7, Bandalero 7.10, Hatana 7.10, Ngakau 6.12, Mountain Shrine 6.12, Perceler 6.9.
Allurement won by a length from Cullinan with Kathara a good third. Time, 1min 2 2/5-sec.

NAPIER CUP HANDICAP of 300sovs. One mile and a-quarter.
Mr. C. J. Parker's br h Fort William, 4yrs. by Soul—Simonia, 7.12 (E. Lowe) 1
Mr. J. A. Lucas' Rauparaha, 8.0 (H. Gray) 2
Mr. E. J. White's Arlom, 7.2 (Emmer-son) 3
Also started: Parable 8.0, Woodhey 7.13, Iney 7.10, Julian 7.5, Voetgang 6.7, Moree 6.7.

From a fair start Moree at once rushed to the front, and going up the back stretch was out three or four lengths in the lead. Before entering the straight Fort William had worked his way to the front, and led from that out, winning nicely by a length. A great race for second place between Rauparaha, Arlom and Woodhey. Time, 2min 3 4/5-sec.

TRIAL HACK STAKES. Six furlongs.
Mr. C. Morse's br g Bircline, 3yrs. by Birkenhead—Agony, 8.5 (H. Gray) .. 1
Hon. J. D. Ormond's Elfboat, 6.13 (Wat-son) 2
Mr. C. Britwell's Bravest, 8.1 (Olliver) 3
Also started: Ukura 8.11, Prowess 8.11, Ardert 8.11, Loch Maben 8.11, Mozella 8.5, Axis 8.5, Waitoke 8.5.
Bircline won comfortably by over a length Bravest being a good third. Time, 1min 16 3/5-sec.

WELTER HANDICAP. Seven furlongs.
Mr. E. J. Watt's br g Cheddar, 3yrs. by Merriwee—Brown Alice, 8.12 (C. Jenkins) 1
Mr. C. J. Parker's Erin, 8.7 (E. Lowe) 2
Messrs. Delaney and Riordan's Toanga, 9.2 (H. Gray) 3
Also started: Lamsdorff 9.1, San Lass 9.1, Golden Water 8.12, Falsetto 8.7, Hirini 8.7.
At the distance Cheddar went to the front and won nicely by a length. Time, 1min 28 4/5-sec.

SAPLING STAKES HANDICAP. For two-year-olds. Five furlongs.
Mr. G. P. Donnelly's ch g Gold Bond, by Gold Reef—Pursing, 7.5, carried 7.8 (Gray) 1
Mr. C. J. Parker's Our Queen, 7.7 (E. Lowe) 2
Mr. T. H. Lowry's Bellah, 8.5 (L. Wil-son) 3
Also started: Altear 7.12, Blue Lake 7.10, War Scare 7.5, Divinia 7.5, Redloh 7.0.
Our Queen was the quickest to begin and was first into the straight. A furlong from home Gold Bond joined her, and in a good finish won by half a length. Time, 1min 2sec.

REDCLYFFE HACK WELTER. One mile.
Mr. T. Butler's b m Manupai, 4yrs. by Strowan—Manutuke, 8.2 (Gray) 1
Mr. R. Ringwood's Composed, 8.10 (Ol-iver) 2
Mr. F. J. Attfield's Melologue 8.6 (George) 3
Also started: Raupare 8.8, Virtue 8.6, Useful 8.2, Polynices 8.1, Eentente 7.12, Merry Lad 7.10, All Trumps 7.10, Icel 7.12, Kohupatiki 7.7, Manito 7.7.
Merry Lad made the pace solid for about four furlongs, when Manupai went to the front and was never afterwards headed, winning easily by a length, a neck between the second and third horses. Kohupatiki was fourth. Time, 1min 43 4/5-sec.

FLYING HANDICAP. Six furlongs.
Hon. J. D. Ormond's br g Faunus, 6yrs. by Birkenhead—Fawn, 8.2 (F. D. Jones) 1
Mr. E. J. White's Tigerine, 8.0 (Bu-ghanan) 2
Mr. Hickey's Lord Possible, 7.9 (W. Kirk) 3
Also started: Lord Sout 9.0, Morey-koff 7.3.
Faunus jumped away with the lead and romped home three lengths ahead. Time, 1min 14 2/5-sec.

VICTORIA RACING CLUB'S ANNUAL MEETING.

TRAFALGAR WINS THE CHAMPION STAKES.

The V.R.C. autumn meeting was brought to a conclusion at Flemington yesterday. Heavy rain fell during the previous night, but the weather cleared up, and the track was in a fairly good state. There was a capital attendance. The Champion Stakes brought out a field of five. Trafalga had matters all his own way at the finish.

The following are the details of the racing:—

THE ELMS HANDICAP, a sweepstakes of 3sovs each, with 300sovs added. Seven furlongs.

Mr. T. Hannan's ch f Lager, by Malt-ster—Egale, 8.12 1
Mr. K. S. MacLeod's br g Brewer's Crystal by Maltster—Crystalline, 6.7 2
Mr. C. W. Outen's br c St. Wyne, by St. Alwyne—Nun Nicer, 6.11 3
Ten horses started.
Lager won by a length. Time, 1min 28sec.

THE SELECT STAKES, a sweepstakes of 10sovs each, with 500sovs added. For two-year-olds. Seven furlongs.

Messrs. P. and W. Mitchell's br c Gil-lamatong, by Challenger—Grand Canary, 7.13 1
Mr. J. Turnbull's b c Flaith, by Boba-dil—Our Queen, 8.12 2
Mr. F. Musgrave's ch c St. Vano, by St. Alwyne—Vanity Fair, 6.13 3
Also started: North Woodleigh, Pais-tre, Sanskirt, Breach.
Gillamatong dashed to the front at the half distance and won by a length and a-half. Time, 1min 30sec.

THE FLACE HANDICAP, a sweepstakes of 5sovs each with 400sovs added. One mile and a-half.

Mr. E. E. D. Clarke's b h Eyeglass 4yrs. by Isinglass—River Trent, 8.1 1
Adgio, 7.12 2
Miss Florence, 6.12 3
Also started: Matouree, Loyal Blue, Herova, Chenille.

Herova and Chenille made the run-ning. Herova led by five lengths at the bridge and retained command to the en-trance to the straight, where Matouree took charge. He was however, imme-diatly challenged by Eyeglass on the rails, and, Miss Florence and Adgio chip-ping in, an exciting finish resulted. Eye-glass, coming on gamely, won by half a length from Adgio, who in turn was two lengths in front of Miss Florence. Time, 2min 35 3/4-sec.

THE AUTUMN STEEPLECHASE, a handicap sweepstakes of 4sovs each, with 400sovs added. About three miles.

Mr. H. Miller's ch g Charlemagne, aged, by Medallion—Sweet Briar, 10.8 1
Mr. H. A. Armytage's ch g Corntax, aged, by The Harvester—Shamrock, 10.12 2
Mr. A. T. Creswick's b g No Trouble, aged, by Mistake—Lucy, 10.10 3
Also started: Bo'sdale, Alcuin, Leah Kleshna, Acute Angle.

Acute Angle fell. Charlemagne was al-ways in the first division, and, jumping well, led into the straight by three lengths. Corntax put in a vigorous chal-lenge under punishment, and in a des-perate finish Charlemagne won by a head. Corntax was five lengths in advance of No Trouble. Time, 6min 43 3/4-sec.

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M. Gordon's b or br h Alawa, 5yrs. by Maltster—Crossfire, 9.5 (Connell) 2
Mr. J. Wilson's (junr.) b c Bobadea 3yrs. by Bobadil—Ardea, 7.12 3
Messrs. P. and W. Mitchell's b g Bib-benluke, 6yrs. by Reminder—Corrie, 8.2 0
Mr. S. A. Rawdon's b c Indiscreet, 3yrs. by Positano—Disgrace, 7.12 0
Bibbenluke paced for two miles when Trafalgar dashed up, and the son of Wal-lace drew away and won by five lengths from Alawa, who in turn was three lengths in front of Bobadea. Indiscreet was fourth. Time, 3min 35 1/2-sec.

At the Summer meeting of the Johannesburg Turf Club, the progeny of the New Zealand-bred Carbine and his son Greatorex won the prin-cipal events. The first day Dancing Wave won the South African Plate, for two-year-olds, of 1500 sovs. The following day Desert Queen, by Grea-torex—Desert Queen, won the South African Derby of 1000 sovs. Cross-gun by Carbine—Somerfield, won the Goldfields Handicap, one mile and a half, of 500 sovs, and Tactics, by Carbine—Intact, won the Appren-tices' Plate.

An Invercargill syndicate recently invested £100 in a sweep in the hope that they would annex one of the four-figure prizes. The result of the draw was that they were successful to the extent of £95, leaving a small deficiency of £5. The £95 was rein-vested, and the result of the draw came to hand on Monday, when a further drop in the capital of the syndicate was recorded, the return being £35. The question of the hour, says the Southland "News," is whether the reinvestment of the £35 will cause augmentation or fur-ther diminution; but whether or not the sum finally disappears, it will be admitted that the syndicate has had a big run for its money.

INTER-PROVINCIAL

CANTERBURY.

(From Our Own Correspondent).

CHRISTCHURCH, March 14.

Things have been very quiet at Riccarton during the week and most of the horses having been eased in their work. With the Easter meet-ings close at hand matters will liven up considerably.

M. Hobbs and G. Murray Aynsley have been very successful lately, all inmates of their stables having scored well. Both trainers have received congratulations from various quar-ters. With their teams in the best of fettle they should win a few more decent handicaps during the autumn meetings.

Another member of E. Cutts' big team, True Knight, has been sold. This son of Sir Laddo—Purity will be in future trained by W. McDonald, who has been very successful with All Guns lately. Both True Knight and All Guns will race at the Wai-mate meeting this week.

Vice-Admiral and Peirene who fin-ished first and second in the Jackson Stakes at Wanganui and Madam Mad-cap who ran unplaced in the same race have returned to Riccarton. The trio will be seen out in big events at the C.J.C. Autumn meeting.

Staney, of hurdle fame, Alexis, Rock Ferry and The Seer have resumed work.

The ex-North Island gelding Rang-i-whenua, by Rangipuhi—Magazine, won a hurdle race at the Akaroa meeting last week in handsome style. The field was not a very strong one and the grey had matters all his own way after half the distance had been covered.

Chief Lochiel is looking well after his double victory at Dunedin. All going well, W. Hobbs expects the gelding to run well in big handicaps at Easter.

Frivolity after running second to Crosbie in the Hack Handicap, at the Akaroa meeting, came out in the next event, the Flying Handicap, which she won, beating five others. T. Sheehan thinks a lot of this daugh-ter of Pallas and Pleasure Seeker, but up to the present she has scarcely paid her way.

Canterbury, the well-bred gelding by Pilgrims Progress—Sulhanna, ran in two races at the Akaroa meeting, winning the Maiden Plate and getting third in the Hack Handicap.

Probable ran in the Peninsula Cup last week, but he toiled hopelessly in the rear all the way and he must be costing his owner a tidy sum for his oat bill.

Three members of R. J. Mason's team, Miss Mischief, Danube, and Vice-Admiral are engaged in the Easter Handicaps at Auckland and Christchurch and backers should be careful.

Obsono, Formby, Equitas, Gipsy Belle, Cheddar and Dearest are en-gaged in the same two races, but none of them can race in both places.

Despite her poor showing in the Jackson Stakes, Madam Madcap is one of the favourites for the Grand Easter Handicap.

R. Harley, well-known as an ama-teur rider, will act as starter at the Ashburton Autumn meeting, H. Piper being otherwise engaged.

HAWKES BAY

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

NAPIER, March 13.

Mr. E. J. Watt has purchased a younger full brother to Sonite.

Star and Garter broke down badly this morning after working.

Mr. J. Spiers Freeman was so far recovered from his recent illness that he was able to put in an appearance at the just finished Dannevirke meet-ing. The veteran looked in A1 con-dition, and its odds on chance that he will shortly be able to resume the secretarial reins of the Club.

Mr. J. C. McVay, who has been trav-elling with the Racing Commission, returned to Napier by the express train on Saturday night.

Waingongoro's two year old daugh-ter by St. Ambrose has had the cog-nomen of St. Bryde claimed for her. She is one of J. Munn's pupils and shows the possession of a lot of pace.

Though judging from appearances the Woodville Jockey Club seemed as if they would come out a winner over their last meeting, such did not prove to be the case, for when the tallies were made up it was soon apparent

that a deficiency of £20 odd had to be faced.

Colleen Mary's two year old half sister by Sylvia Park has been christ-ened Divinia.

On the first night of the Danne-virke meeting, Waikaraka found a new owner, Mr. McEwen, a patron of W. Kirk's stable at Hastings, becom-ing the new proprietor of the chest-nut son of Waiuku and Mistra.

A painting of last year's Grand Na-tional Steeplechase winner, Te Arai, with W. Young in the saddle, is at present on view in one of the local shopkeeper's window. The work which was executed by Mrs. C. Morse (wife of the owner of the gelding) has come in for a lot of favourite criticism. The picture is for pres-entation to W. Young.

The great Mogul (Royal Fusilier—Pijou) and the two year old full brother to Bellah (Royal Fusilier—Lissadurn) leave Hastings on Tues-day for Wellington en route for Syd-ney, where the pair will be put up for sale.

C. Lagor has got a more than use-ful horse in Peacemaker, who show-ed out so prominently at Danne-virke last week, for the chestnut son of Pilgrims Progress is one of the most vigorous gallopers that has been seen out for some. He has got a lot of pace and it was only bad luck that he did not snatch a double at the gathering instead of a first and second.

The much boomed Burton failed to make good in the hurdle events at Dannevirke. If he would only run up to his track form he would be a very hard proposition to overcome, but unluckily for those connected with him he acts miserably when the satin is up.

Lingerer is being got ready for chasing events. The chestnut geld-ing is looking bright and well.

El Dorado is one of the regulars who at present are being put through their facings on the preparing cir-cuits at Napier Park. Gold Reef's son is a bit on the bulky side.

Last Monday, A. Wood, acting on behalf of the Hon. J. D. Ormond, ship-ped to the southern stud master, Mr. J. B. Reid, three daughters of Birken-head, out of Agony, Ideal, and Camelot.

WANGANUI.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

WANGANUI, March 13.

Walter Rayner took Grandee and Astraea to Dannevirke, but did not secure any stake money. F. Cole-man, who has been so successful over hurdles recently, had the mount on Astraea both days, but she could do no good.

The Lupin gelding Jackpin, who won here the second day, did likewise at Dannevirke. In both cases Waverley sports had decent wins.

The Wanganui Jockey Club had to pay the Government slightly over £800 as tax on the Cup meeting, so that the Government got more out of the gathering than the club, as the profits did not reach that sum.

Grandee shaped well in both his races at Dannevirke leading for a couple of furlongs in each event, and finishing close up to the placed di- vision. The Merriwee colt will be kept going at slow work right on till the spring, when it would not be sur-prising to find that Mr. R. Narelle, has got hold of a top-notch three-year-old.

Mr. Narelle has disposed of the gelding Waikaraka for £30. The son of Waiuku has not done much good at the jumping game yet, but maybe he will score a few wins later on, as he can jump all right and has plenty of pace, but usually runs him-self out in the first mile or so. It is possible he would do better if kept in check in the early part of his races.

On her Wanganui (second day) running, Meroze appears to have a big chance in the Waipipi Cup at the Masterton meeting on the 23rd inst. It is said her owner thinks she could have won the Cup here. She is cer-tainly a good one when in the hum-our, but that is the rub—when?

The Wanganui Trotting Club's meeting is to be held on Thursday and Friday of next week, the 23rd and 24th inst., and indications point to the gathering being a most suc-cessful one. At one time trotting was very popular here, but of late years little interest has been taken in this class of sport. The Wanganui Club is making a big effort to re-awaken interest in the game, and the officials are hopeful that next weeks gathering will show that the public are again beginning to "catch on" to this sport.

Albert Jackson intends nominating

John and Taft for the C.J.C. Autumn meeting, the former for the two big events and Taft for some of the minor races. Roosevelt may also be nominated for that meeting or for Feilding, but he will scarcely be ready in time.

Old Sardonyx is looking bright and well, and if he can be got to the post fit to do himself anything like justice at Feilding he will be hard to beat in the hurdle races there.

Lethan's win at Dannevirke on the second day did not come before its time, as at the Egmont meeting he was second once and at Taranaki twice filled that position. It was, therefore, up to "Mr. C. Maylin" to score, especially as the same owner's True Shot has also been running second or third with consistency lately without notching a win.

The Steeplechaser, Nero is being hacked about at Stratford preparatory to being put into work again with a view to obstacle events during the winter. The big chestnut moves quite sound.

North East and St. Bill have been having an easy time of it since the Wanganui meeting, but are now doing slow work again. The former has been nominated for the Easter meeting, and as he is now in capital form the Euroclydon gelding will most likely be taken North for the gathering, at which he should run well.

WELLINGTON.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

WELLINGTON, March 30.

Returned sportsmen from the Dannevirke meeting speak in high terms of the sport provided at the meeting. The only complaint heard from them was the problem set them in finding the winners, and the visit from a financial point of view was distinctly disappointing.

Marion, who is destined to make a name for himself amongst the hurdlers in the Dominion, made his debut over the obstacles at Dannevirke. The gelding won decisively, although it was evident that several of the other runners could have done better. On the second day, Marion ran badly, and finished just behind the placed horses.

Waikaraka was sold at Dannevirke for £40, and in future the chestnut will run in T. McEwen's nomination.

W. L. Mitchell still retains possession of the Stepniak gelding Rurik, which he purchased from the person he held the lease from, for £250. Mitchell should not be long in getting back his purchase money.

Fond Memory was a strong order at Dannevirke, but the Merriwee gelding failed to run up to expectations on the opening day, but on the next day, under sufferance, he succeeded in finishing in second place.

A. Shearsby won a double at Dannevirke with Floater, who won his two events in good style. "Alf's" many friends were glad to hear of his success.

Passadena, the San Fran filly, was given a run at Dannevirke, but the filly failed to reproduce her track form, and finished in the also started division.

J. T. Jamieson won his first race with Allurement at Dannevirke. This "Highden" cast-off should prove a profitable investment to the Awapuni trainer-owner.

W. Davies took Llanwern to Dannevirke, but the horse was not seen under favourable auspices. His exertions at the meeting should be the means of freshening him up considerably in view of his approaching engagements.

The handicaps for the first day's fixture of the Masterton Racing Club's autumn meeting have been well received in sporting circles, and the consequence of opinion is that Mr J. H. Pollock has put some of his best efforts into his work. The club should be rewarded with substantial acceptances.

Mr J. R. McDonald, of Levin, has sent the yearling colt by Achilles, from Shannon, down to Prosser's establishment at Porirua, to be prepared for his racing career. The youngster is well formed, with plenty of bone and substance, and is expected to develop into a clinker.

Waipaku again ran very badly in her Dannevirke Cup engagement. The mare had been responsible for an excellent half-mile on the Foxton tracks, but she failed ingloriously when asked a question in the Cup, he did not compete on the second day, but was entrained home.

The Manakau sportsman, who races as "G. Penfold," was rewarded with a win at Dannevirke with Teotane, who won the Autumn Handicap on the second day. The chestnut has been a consistent place-getter

this season, and the win should compensate "Tom" for some of the Daunt gelding's past defeats.

H. Fletcher, of Tauherenikau, landed the Nursery Handicap at Dannevirke with Sinapis, who won in convincing style. Fletcher has worked considerable improvement in the St. Ambrose filly since coming into his hands a few weeks ago, and who looks like turning out useful, judging by the way in which she skips over the ground. Ascalon ran two very good races at Dannevirke, being defeated by narrow margins in his two engagements. The chestnut should play a prominent part in future sprint events.

Mr R. A. McDonald, owner of Hermia and Ascalon, has a promising sort in Boronia, who scored at Dannevirke. This Merriwee—Dalny filly won in such an easy fashion as to suggest that she is capable of winning in better company than was pitted against her last week.

Fred Carmont, at Levin, is persevering with Aurora, who is being prepared with a view to competing at the Otaki Winter Meeting.

Sporting critics present at Dannevirke were much impressed with Peacemaker's two displays. They are selecting the Pilgrims Progress gelding to win a decent handicap ere the present season draws to a close.

Aimwell failed to show any brilliancy at Dannevirke. This Soult gelding is somewhat unreliable, but he should be seen under better circumstances in the near future.

F. Higgott has disposed of his hotel property at the Hutt, and will in future devote all his time to the training business. With Aimwell, Merry Frank, and a few lesser lights, Higgott has something to work on.

P. Moore the Westralian rider, has taken service at the Karamu stable of the Hon. J. J. Ormond. Being a capable jockey, Moore should have plenty of opportunities of displaying his talent with the bearers of the all cerise of the Hawke's Bay sportsman.

The autumn meeting of the Masterton Racing Club, which takes place on Thursday and Friday next, promises to be very successful. Mr A. Hathaway has all the details well in hand, and his efforts in this direction should be rewarded with success.

Wairarapa trainers and owners are well represented in events at the Masterton meeting, and they intend doing their utmost to uphold the prestige of their district at the gathering. If reports are correct, practically all the stake money is assured to Wairarapa owners, who are placing considerable faith in their equines. Time alone will tell whether their contention is correct.

Mr W. E. Bidwill has sold Tribulation to Mr F. Armstrong, of Akiteo, and in future the Birkenhead colt will do stud duty.

Mr Whitney is sending Turna to the Masterton meeting next week. This will be the only Porirua representative at the gathering. L. Traill will ride the colt in his engagements.

JOCKEYSHIP AT HOME.

It is generally agreed by Australian racing men who visit England that the jockeyship is poor, and, with a few exceptions, not up to what we witness in Australasia. This opinion is confirmed by the English turf scribe, "Hercules," who, in a recent issue of "Sport," makes the following statement:—"The English jockey has failed to hold his own on his own ground. Maher and Wootton are a long way in front, and now come Dongohue and Huxley to add to their troubles. When our old dawdling school took to the American seat they soon got even with the invader; but whether it was that the old school had better horsemanship in hand and bent themselves more fully to the crouch forward than is the case of the jockey and apprentice of to-day, is an open question. The fact is that French jockeys are also imported, whilst Maher, Wootton and Huxley are ever riding in the van. Clearly the English jockey, neither as jockey nor apprentice, is holding his own. This state is not casual, which points to the causes being constant, and so on both sides. The new apprentice brand is not up to standard; he is a favoured, pampered preferred sort; very liable to 'swelled head' and consequent abiding vices. The old school and the American school made no secret of their saddle science and lore. In the height of the invasion and panic about a cozen of the leading jockeys set forth their knowledge and science very extensively in print. Read and re-read, these articles tell us nothing to the point. There is a scientific

force in jockeyship—of axiom sort—to which not one of the lot once refers. Look at what race one may, riding is done in the main counter to this axiom. The greener the apprentice the less he offends in this direction; with the older hand it is the other way; both sorts have in the main dropped spurs, the whip comes in and hands go up—jockeyship weakens; could not well do otherwise."

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TROTTING.

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FIXTURES.

March 23 and 24—Wanganui T.C.
April 1, 5 and 8—Auckland T.C. Autumn

HANDICAPS.

March 20—Auckland T.C. (First day).

ACCEPTANCES.

March 24—Auckland T.C. (First day)

The Wanganui Trotting Club's annual gathering takes place on Thursday and Friday next.

Handicaps for the opening day of the Auckland Trotting Club's autumn meeting will appear on Monday next.

So far as is known nothing definite has been settled regarding the visit of the champion Dan Patch to Auckland to endeavour to establish a mile record of 2.8 at the Auckland Trotting Club's meeting for the £500 purse offered by the Club. It is to be hoped that the beautiful son of Rothchild will again be brought to Auckland.

The 50,000-acre ranch of J. B. Haggin, near Sacramento, California, has been sold. The price is reported at £400,000. This ranch has been the home of the largest horse-breeding establishment of California. As recently as 1905 there were 600 brood mares and thirty thoroughbred stallions on the ranch, and at one time between 300 and 400 trotting mares were kept there. The ranch is being subdivided into small farms, to be resold.

C. J. Hamlin is quoted as once saying "that to find out how fast a trotter or pacer can go a mile, multiply his best time for a quarter by four, and add six to the result."

On the first day of the Forbury meeting one of the riders on a backmarker caught a horse well out in the handicap and remarked to the rider, "If I had a whip I could win." "Take it," said the rider of the horse, "Wait a minute," replied the scratch horse's rider. He then shot past and said, "Give it to me," "Wish I could oblige, but I cannot catch you now." was the final reply. In the last race of the meeting a rider going at a great pace called to another just in front of him, "Lend me your whip!" This was done and enabled him to get into a place in the race. The favour was appreciated after coming into the paddock, as both are accomplished horsemen.

The matter of an additional trotting totalisator permit for Southland—one only being available at the present time—was widely discussed in Dunedin last week among a representative gathering of light harness enthusiasts from many parts of the Dominion, and the opinion was generally expressed that the Racing Commission would see matters in a favourable light. The speed and cleverness displayed by a number of Southern horses on the first day of the Forbury Park T.C. fixture undoubtedly helped to further the claims of this province regarding permits.

The death of the American trotting horse, Star Pointer, 1min. 59 1/4 sec., at Columbia, Tenn., in January marks the passing of the first 2min. light harness horse. It was on August 28th, 1897, at Readville, that Star Pointer accomplished what was considered impossible by a great many people by pacing a mile in 1min. 79 1/4 sec., thus demolishing the arguments of those who essayed that it was impossible for a horse to pace in two minutes or better. He was twenty one years old at the time of his death, having been foaled in 1889, and was bred by Col. H. P. Pointer, Spring Hill, Tenn. After he became prominent Star Pointer was sold at public auction on three occasions.

The Ladies' Bracelet at New Brighton was one of the worst races seen on a Canterbury track for many a day, says a Southern writer. The pace set by Irvy Woodburn and Proccation in the early stages quite disorganised the field, with the result that the majority of the competitors were in trouble almost from the start. It is safe to say that quite three furlongs divided the first and last horses at the finish. [This is a common occurrence in Auckland.]

An American exchange states that the best prospect in sight in the State or California for a 2.6 trotter next season is the handsome trotting stallion Dr. Lecco, who this year took a record of 2.11 1/2 in a winning race at San Joe. This colt has been repeatedly timed miles in 2.10, with the last half in 1.3. He is by Lecco out of Bessie M'Kinney. At the Allendale Stock Farm's sale on March 9, two half-brothers to Dr. Lecco, 2.11 1/2, were to be sold. One is the three-year-old colt Direct Voyage, by Bon Voyage, three years, 2.12 1/2, and the other is M'Kinney Bells, a handsome yearling colt by Abbey Bells. Bessie M'Kinney is now owned by the Allendale Stock Farm, and her breeding is about as good as anything in the books. She is by the great sire M'Kinney (sire of twenty-three performers with records better than 2.10), out of Steinwinder, the dam of several god performers, including the world's ex-champion four-year-old trotter Directum, 2.5 3/4, a record that stood from 1893 to the last racing season, when it was lowered by the four-year-old filly Joan to 2.4 3/4. Joan is a grand-daughter of Directum, 2.5 1/4.

In America, says the "Sydney Mail," the horse who could not see out three one mile heats in the afternoon—more often it is five or six—would not be worth a two-penny dump as a racehorse, and it is the same blood we are now racing on our tracks in Australia. However, it cannot be said we in Australia are doing much to improve, or even to keep up, the standard of the breed as it came to us from America. New Zealand, however, is doing its best to put stamina into the horses racing on its courses, as all the big money races are over a distance of two miles, but a race over a two miles course in Sydney is a memory of the past, almost too far back for the present generation of men to remember.

At the New South Wales Trotting Club's meeting on February 17 Ribbonvale, by Ribbonwood—Laisy, won the Trial Handicap, and Chesterfield, another Ribbonwood horse from a Lord Derby, jun., mare, appropriated the Epping Handicap after running a dead heat with Valour.

A Sydney correspondent of the "Horseman," an American publication, has been entertaining its readers with some stories concerning how things used to be done at Epping. He writes:—"In the old days of the Epping course the programme was a mixed one of galloping ponies and trotters, and funny stories of events that occurred there could be found to fill a book. On one occasion a horse was rung in from Tasmania. He came across with a short rat tail. This was shorn off and a flowing tail was fixed on to the stump with a spring. I may state that the racing was then done under the electric light. The rung-in one, which was in saddle, was leading by a number of lengths the first time round, when the crowd commenced to howl and shriek with laughter, and his rider, looking round to see if the tail was following all right, was horrified to see the spring had slipped and the flowing tail was hanging at the extreme end of the shaved stump. The rider did not wait to be asked any questions, but rode right out of the gate for home. On another occasion some boys with catapults were hidden in some bushes on some rocks overlooking the course, and peppered the favourite with swan shot each time he came round. Needless to say the perpetrators of the joke landing the stake with their horse."

The pony Wilkie put up a sterling performance in winning the Dunedin Trotting Cup, and pacing his two miles in 4min. 39sec. The Kentucky Wilkes gelding had to pass eight horses, and that fact accentuated the merit of his performance. Wilkie came out again in the Grandstand Handicap, in which he was penalised 2sec. behind scratch. He came up a shade too soon for his starting bell, and on his driver being warned the horse had to be stopped in order to prevent him going over the mark. Wilkie was thus unfortunate in not getting so well away as some of the others, as it must have added close on two more seconds to his handicap. On getting away Wilkie quickly struck into his gait, and after being patiently handled by E. M'Kewen got within striking distance of King Lynn at the beginning of the last quarter. Once in the straight, Wilkie made a bold bid, but King Lynn kept him at

bay and won by about two lengths. Wilkie must have stepped about a 2.13 gait to get close to King Lynn, and his performance stamps him as the best pony ever seen in Australasia. In all his races Wilkie was handled in a masterly manner by E. M'Kewen, who clearly takes rank as one of our most capable horsemen, as well as being second to none in the saddle.

WANGANUI TROTTING CLUB'S MEETING.

The following are the acceptances for the Wanganui Trotting Club's meeting:—

MAIDEN HANDICAP, one mile and a-half.—Er n's Tracey scratch, Etha scratch Zealwood 10sec, Bonita 10sec Halley's Comet 10sec, Cliff 10sec, None 10sec, Fashion 10sec, Wild Maid 10sec, Tod 10sec, Bells 10sec, Waikino 10sec The Whana 15sec, Daffney 15sec, Con 20sec, Ribbon 20sec, Patent Lether 20sec, Lady Victor 20sec, All Steel 20sec.

KIRKWOOD HANDICAP, one mile and a-half.—Vanclare scratch, John H. 15sec, Rancee Clare 21sec, Nancy T'll 21sec, Waikino 30sec, Deborah 36sec, Apology 45sec, Katie G. 45sec, Gather No Moss 45sec.

CUP, two miles.—Golden Rose scratch, Hamapuku 4sec, Gold Bell 15sec, Merimanu 18sec, Rancee Clare 20sec, Glenidol 22sec, Phil 22sec, Pearlle Maid 25sec, Redlac 25sec, Cliff 25sec, Katiri 30sec, Mersey 30sec, Flasher 35sec, Ding Dong 37sec, Plaintiff 40sec, Magnet 42sec, Kingfisher 42sec.

DIAMOND HANDICAP, one mile.—Manxman scratch, Boadecia 5sec, Pierotte 6sec, Rancee Clare 7sec, Makairo 18 sec, Bells 18sec, Apology 23sec, Fashion 23sec, Scamper 23sec, Florence W. 23sec, Te Whana 23sec.

CASTLECLIFF HANDICAP, one mile and a-half.—Golden Rose scratch, Rancee Clare 15sec, Glenidol 16sec, Phil 16sec, Mariner 22sec, Waikino 24sec, Magnet 32sec, Daffney 36sec, Florence W. 39sec, Gather No Moss 39sec, Dolly W. 39sec, Con 39sec, Ribbon 39sec, Lady Victor 39 sec, Casey 39sec, Try Again 39sec.

PRESIDENT'S HANDICAP, one mile and a-half.—Vanclare scratch, Pierotte 20 sec, Etah 20sec, Erin's Tracey 20sec, Phil 22sec, Nancy T'll 22sec, Pearlle Maid 27sec, Redlac 27sec, Mariner 28sec, Wild Maid 30sec, Flasher 30sec, Deborah 36sec, Hova 37sec, Indian Rose 45sec, Florence W. 45 sec, Katie G. 45sec, Ella Bell 45sec.

DASH HANDICAP, one mile.—Hamapuku scratch, Manxman 1sec, John H. 4sec, Boadecia 6sec, Gold Bell 7sec, Merimanu 7sec, Plaintiff 18sec, Magnet 20sec, Kingfisher 20sec, Scamper 24sec, Halley's Comet 24sec.

NEW BRIGHTON TROTTING CLUB'S AUTUMN MEETING.

SECOND DAY.

The New Brighton Trotting Club's summer meeting was continued on Thursday in fine weather, with a fair attendance. Following are the results:—

ADVANCE HANDICAP of 55sovs, one mile and a-half.—Bernie L., 4sec, 1; Lord Heathcote 10sec, 2; Provocation, 10sec, 3. Eight others started. Won by eight lengths. Time, 3min 46 4-5sec.

LADIES' BRACELET HANDICAP of 40sovs, one mile.—King Tracey, 8sec, 1; Isabella, 16sec, 2; Black Monarch, 16sec, 3. Twelve others started. Won by twelve lengths. Time 2min 31 1-5sec.

BRIGHTON HANDICAP of 105sovs, one mile and a-half.—Ned Corbett, 10sec, 1; Fusee, 2sec, 2; Troubadour, 10sec, 3. Ten horses started. Won by two lengths. Time, 3min 39 2-5sec.

AVON HANDICAP of 60sovs, two miles.—Tohu, 4sec, 1; Blue Rose, 12sec, 2; Pansy, 9sec, 3. Also started: St. Cyrus. Won by two lengths. Time, 4min 57 4-5 sec.

WAINONI HANDICAP of 74sovs, one mile and a-half.—Lord Vivian, 8sec, 1; Rubiclan, 8sec, 2; Adventuress, 3sec, 3. Nine others started. Won by three lengths. Time, 3min 46sec.

TELEGRAPH HANDICAP of 55sovs, one mile.—T.F.C., 4sec, 1; Miss Burlington, 1sec, 2; Iola, 5sec, 3. Six others started. Won by a length. Time, 2min 25 2-5sec.

REACH HANDICAP of 50sovs, one mile and a-half.—Clive, 8sec, 1; Violet C., 15sec, 2; Valmore, 15sec, 3. Six others started. Won by five lengths. Time, 3 min 25 2-5sec.

FINAL HANDICAP of 65sovs, one mile. Nell Gwynne, 8sec, 1; Elector, 3sec, 2; Imperial Polly, scratch, 3. Six others started. Won by three lengths. Time, 2min 24 2-5sec.

CONCLUDING DAY.

The meeting was concluded on Saturday in fine weather, and before a good attendance. The totalisator investments were £957, making £23,600 for the meeting, as against £20,389 10s last year. The results are as follows:—

SHIRLEY HANDICAP of 60sovs, one mile and a-half.—Blue Rose, 14sec, 1; Esma, 17sec, 2; Repeater, 6sec, 3. Five horses started. Won by 40 yards. Time, 3min 42 3-5sec.

STAYERS' HANDICAP of 85sovs, three miles.—Bushranger, 40sec, 1; Vanguard, 23sec, 2; J.C., 41sec, 3. Nine others started. Won by 40 yards. Time, 7min 49sec.

BROOKLYN HANDICAP of 125sovs, two miles.—Marie Narelle, 6sec, 1; Bright-4sec, 2; Rubys, 8sec, 3. Six others started. Won by a length. Time, 4min 42 4-5sec.

DALLINGTON HANDICAP of 70sovs, two miles.—Tohu, 8sec, 1; Bribery, ser, 2; Electrocut, 8sec, 3. Five horses started. Won by a neck. Time, 4min 51sec.

IMPROVERS' HANDICAP of 65sovs, one mile and a-half.—Little Stranger 12 sec, 1; Lyonnaise, 13sec, 2; Gnawa, 10sec, 3. Thirteen others started. Won by two lengths. Time, 3min 42 4-5sec.

TROTTERS' HANDICAP of 90sovs, two miles.—Electrocut, 9sec, 1; Adventuress, 9sec, 2; Miss Ngapara 20sec, 3. Six others started. Won by 40 yards. Time, 4min 51sec.

AU REVOIR HANDICAP of 70sovs, one mile.—Mada, 5sec and T.F.C., 4sec, dead-heat, 1; Imperial Polly, scratch, 3. Six others started. Times, Mada, 2min 23 3-5sec, T.F.C., 2min 22 2-5sec.

TURF RESULTS.

THAMES JOCKEY CLUB'S SUMMER MEETING.

The autumn meeting of the Thames Jockey Club was held at the Club's course, Parawa, on Saturday. The weather was anything but favourable, heavy rain falling throughout the morning and at intervals during the afternoon. The racing was fairly interesting, the finishes in several events being very close.

Dr. Walshe was in his usual place as judge, Mr. E. Hankins was starter, Mr. A. Bateman clerk of the course, Mr. W. Taylor clerk of scales, while the committee and stewards were in their places. Mr. W. H. Potts attended to the secretarial duties. Following are the results:—

MAIDEN PLATE six furlongs.

Leafire, 7.9 (Brady) 1
Madam Paul, 7.8 (Whittaker) 2
Hesperion, 6.10 (Morris) 3
The only starters.

Won easily by several lengths, the third horse about twelve lengths away. Time, 1min 18sec.

HURDLE RACE, one mile and three-quarters.

Luscombe 10.9 (Cowan) 1
Taiaha, 9.6 (Bennett) 2
Bully, 10.13 (Deerey) 3
Scratched: St. Wood and Commander.
Taiaha and Luscombe got away together, Luscombe drew out but on the second run past the post Taiaha gained ground and made an exciting finish, Luscombe winning by a head. Bully a dozen lengths behind. Time, 3min 32sec.

AUTUMN STAKES, one mile and 30yds.

Impulsive, 7.4 (Brown) 1
Miss Livonia, 7.6 (Whittaker) 2
Fraulein 6.8 (Brown) 3
Scratched: Electrakoff.

From a good start Impulsive and Miss Livonia went to the front, with the rest close up. At the four furlong post, Impulsive and Miss Livonia were still in command, with Hyperion, Fraulein and Coromandel in a bunch, a short distance away. Sir Rupert bringing up the rear. The order was the same till the straight was reached, when Impulsive drew out and won by two lengths, third horse several lengths away. Time, 1min 45 3-5 sec.

SHORTS HANDICAP, four furlongs.

Hikua, 8.10 (Whittaker) 1
Fremantle, 8.3 (Brown) 2
Sunrose, 6.7 (Brown) 3
Also started: Mungatete, Toa Tuhi.

Hikua took charge from the start and led until nearing the winning post, when Fremantle came up. Hikua, however, kept his head in front and won by a nose, third horse three lengths away. Time, 51 1-5sec.

STEEPLECHASE, two miles and a-half.

Laddie, 10.6 (Flynn) 1
Bonnie Jean, 9.8 (Mulcahy) 2
Sunrose, 6.7 (Brown) 3
Also started: First Barrel, Cloudy Morn, and Lough Finn.

The first time over the double Bonnie Jean took the lead, First Barrel and Lough Finn falling, but the latter's jockey remounted and continued. Second time over the double Bonnie Jean led, with Laddie and Cloudy Morn in that order, Lough Finn hopelessly behind. The third time over the double Bonnie Jean and Cloudy Morn both fell, but rejoined the field, Laddie forged ahead and won as he liked. Time, 5min 1 1-5sec.

RAILWAY HANDICAP, six furlongs.

Jena, 7.6 (Brown) 1
Engraver, 6.12 (Whittaker) 2
Sir Rupert, 7.5 (Brady) 3
Scratched: Electrakoff.

Jena got away with Engraver and Sir Rupert in that order. When nearing the four furlong post Engraver began to close up. Jena drew away again, eventually winning by three lengths. Two lengths separated the second and third horses. Time, 1min 17 2-5sec.

HACK RACE, five furlongs.

Steph'nk, 7.4 (Whittaker) *

Field Glass 7.3 (Brown) *
Tenby, 7.3 (Brown) 3
*Dead-heat.
Also started: La Sylphe.
La Sylphe took the lead with Steph'nk and Field Glass nearly abreast. La Sylphe gradually fell back, and Steph'nk and Field Glass fought out the finish, the judge being unable to separate the pair. Tenby was several lengths away third, with La Sylphe last. Time, 1min 4 4-5sec.

WELTER HANDICAP, seven furlongs.

Jena, 9.8 (Brown) 1
Pip, 8.8 (Brown) 2
Fraulein, 8.10 (Flynn) 3
From a beautiful start Fraulein and Pip went to the front, but Jena overhauled them entering the straight and won by about a length. Time, 1min 31 4-5sec.

AUSTRALIAN RACING.

VICTORIA RACING CLUB'S AUTUMN MEETING.

SECOND DAY.

THE PARISIAN WINS AUSTRALIAN CUP.

The Victoria Racing Club brought off the second day's racing in connection with their autumn meeting, postponed from Tuesday owing to unfavourable weather conditions, on Saturday. The weather was fine and warm and a large attendance was noted. The Governor-General (Lord Dudley) and Sir T. Gibson-Carmichael and the Duchess of Bedford were the distinguished visitors. Despite the heavy rains that had fallen for several days the race track was in good order. The following are the details of the racing:—

THE AUTUMN HURDLE RACE, a handicap sweepstakes of 3sovs each, with 300sovs added. Three miles.

Mr. J. H. Crosbie's b g Battery, aged, by Bundoock—Ruin, 9.3 1
Mr. R. M. Hawker's ch g Hayrick 6yrs, by The Harvester—Sybil, 10.0 2

Messrs. D. O'Brien and T. J. O'Loughlin's br g King's Ransom, 11.7

THE ASCOT VALE STAKES, a sweepstake of 20sovs each, with 1000sovs added.

Mr. K. S. MacLeod's blk c Sconcer, by Maltster-Warfare, 8.10

THE AUSTRALIAN CUP, a handicap sweepstake of 25sovs each, with 1250 sovs added.

Mr. J. F. Kirby's br g The Parisian, 5yrs, by Bobadil-The Parisienne, 7.7 (Bolton)

THE MARCH STEEPLECHASE, a handicap sweepstake of 30sovs each, with 300sovs added.

Mr. A. T. Creswick's b g No Trouble, aged, by Mistake-Lucy, 9.0

THE BOURKE HANDICAP, a sweepstake of 10sovs each, with 500sovs added.

Messrs. Kinnane and McFadyen's br h Matchester, 4yrs, by Maltster-Miss Clevedon, 8.9

THE JUNIOR HANDICAP, a sweepstake of 10sovs each, with 500sovs added.

Mr. W. T. Nowlan's blk g North Woodleigh, by Rice-Nitouche, 7.3

THIRD DAY'S RACING. COMEDY KING SCORES AGAIN.

There was a heavy fall of rain again on Monday morning, and for some little time the V.R.C. stewards were in doubt in regard to the holding of the third day's racing.

THE HOPEFUL STAKES, a sweepstake of 3sovs each, with 250sovs added.

Messrs. P. and W. Mitchell's br c Gilmamatong, by Challenger-Grand Canary, 7.10

THE ALL-AGED STAKES, a sweepstake of 10sovs each, with 1000sovs added.

Mr. S. Green's blk h Comedy King, 4yrs, by Persimmon-Tragedy Queen, 8.11

he led into the straight. Streaking right away, the son of Persimmon spreadeagled his field, a gap of six lengths separating him from Broadsword, who, in turn, was a neck in advance of Alawa.

THE AUTUMN HANDICAP, a sweepstake of 10sovs each, with 500sovs added.

Mr. R. Crawford's b h Flavian, 4yrs, by Flavia-Postea, 8.3

THE NURSERY HANDICAP, a sweepstake of 3sovs, with 300sovs added.

Hon. A. Wynne's br c Mashtun, by Maister-Contrivance

THE LOCH PLATE, a sweepstake of 5sovs each, with 500sovs added.

Mr. J. Wilson's (junr.) b c Bobadea, 3yrs, by Bobadil-Ardea, 7.7

THE RIVER HANDICAP, a sweepstake of 3sovs each, with 300sovs added.

Mr. J. N. McArthur's b g Etruscan, 5yrs, by Orvieto-Queen of the Vale, 8.3

DANNEVIRKE RACING CLUB'S AUTUMN MEETING. FIRST DAY.

TE PUIA WINS THE CUP.

For the Dannevirke races on Wednesday the weather was beautifully fine and there was a large attendance.

FIRST HURDLES, one mile and three-quarters.

5-Marton, 9.9

MAKIRIKIRI HACK HANDICAP, six furlongs.

1-Allurement, 7.0

DANNEVIRKE CUP of 250sovs. One mile and a-quarter.

1-Mr. R. Brough's b m Te Puia, by San Fran-Quit mare, 4yrs, 7.0

NURSERY HANDICAP. For two-year-olds. Four furlongs.

1-Sinapis, 8.2

TAHORAITI WELTER. Seven furlongs.

1-Floater, 8.10

FLYING STAKES, six furlongs.

3-Tigerine, 7.8

ELECTRIC HANDICAP, five furlongs.

3-Boronia, 7.4

TAMAKI WELTER, seven furlongs.

1-Peacemaker, 8.3

SECOND DAY.

Genial warm weather was experienced for the concluding day of the Dannevirke Racing Club's autumn meeting.

being of a very close character. The club tried a ten-shilling totalisator, but owing to the inadequate arrangements and the crush that was caused the innovation was discarded on the second day.

SECOND HACK HURDLES, one mile and a-half.

1-T. Cameron's Te Whetu, by Daystar -Merica, 11.3 (W. Young)

MARCH HANDICAP, six furlongs.

6-E. White's Tigeline, by Merriwee-Tigress, 8.4 (B. Deeley)

TELEPHONE HACK HANDICAP, five furlongs.

2-G. Dunlop's Jackpin, by Lupin-Jet, 9.0 (W. Ryan)

TAPUATA HACK WELTER, one mile.

4-D. Kemp's Julian, by Merriwee-Maxima, 10.2 (J. Sceats)

AUTUMN HANDICAP. One mile and a distance.

1-G. Penfold's Teotane, by Daunt-Julie, 6.13 (V. Lee)

JUVENILE HANDICAP, five furlongs.

2-D. Black's Rangiatua, by Papakura-Elusion, 8.8 (A. Oliver)

MANGATERA HACK HANDICAP, seven furlongs.

1-A. J. Shearsby's Floater, by Merriwee-Float, 8.10 (A. Oliver)

KAITOKE WELTER, seven furlongs.

7-C. Maybin's Lethan, by Lethe-Eulalie, 9.3 (W. Price)

NOMINATIONS, HANDICAPS AND ACCEPTANCES.

NOMINATIONS.

AUCKLAND RACING CLUB'S AUTUMN MEETING.

BRIGHTON HURDLE RACE.-Bully, Black Northern, Prophet, Maidi, Paul, Master William, Hoanga, Seldom, Wimmera, Bismarck.

EASTER HANDICAP.-Elegance, Dazzling, Tamainupo, Equitas, Kakama, Urekehu, Boanerges, Kopu, Flying South, Sedition, Elektrakoff, Cullinan, Manapouri, Forby, Sir Tristram, Humming Bird, First Wairiki, Tattoo, Sea Elf, Soutloria, Iney, Mulga Bill, True Shot, Antoinette, Gipsy Belle, Miss Advance, Royal Soul, Peacemaker, Turbine, Vice-Admiral, North-East, Danube, Miss Mischief, Dearest, Santa Rosa, Sir Artegal, Obsono, Wauchope, Hohungatahi, Domingo, Salute, Miss Winnie, Dawn, Wimmera, Fort William, Cheddar, Uranium, Mary Ann.

ST. GEORGE'S HANDICAP.-Elegance, Equitas, Dazzling, Tamainupo, Urekehu, Kopu, Flying South, Sedition, Palsano, Manapouri, Forby, Sir Tristram, First Wairiki, Woodhey, Maxwell, Sea Elf, Soutloria, Delegate, Iney, True Shot, Antoinette, Dearest, Miss Advance, Royal Soul, Peacemaker, North-East, Danube, Vice-Admiral, Miss Mischief, Counter-mine, Monoplane, Santa Rosa, Carl Rosa, Wauchope, Domino, King Soul, Wimmera, Fort William, Cheddar, Highden.

AUTUMN STEEPLECHASE.-First Barrel, Le Beau, Maidi, Loch Fyne, Miss Explosion, Antarctic, Hunakaha, Cloudy Morn, Lough Finn, Romp, Sol, Red McGregor.

AUTUMN HANDICAP.-Elegance, Dazzling, Tamainupo, Kopu, Regain, Flying South, Sedition, Palsano, Lloyds, Manapouri, Humming Bird, Woodhey, First

Wairiki, Maxwell, Sea Elf, Delegate, Soutloria, Iney, Miss Advance, Royal Soul, Peacemaker, North-East, Danube, Vice-Admiral, Miss Mischief, Dearest, Santa Rosa, Carl Rosa, Domino, King Soul, Cheddar, Highden.

HANDICAPS. MASTERTON RACING CLUB'S AUTUMN MEETING.

MARCH HANDICAP, six furlongs.-Full Rate 10.8, Sunbonnet 8.10, Longner 8.8, Zealand 7.8, Te Roti 7.5, Toanga 7.3, Killaloo 7.0, Simplex 7.0, Splash 6.12, Leahora 6.7, British Maid 6.7, Purakau 6.7.

MAIDEN PLATE HANDICAP, one mile.-Meroze 9.12, Brown Trout 8.8, Longwood 8.0, Latus 8.0, Beacon 7.10, Midian 7.10, Tulloch Ard 7.7, Queen of Scots 7.7, Merrie Fly 7.7, Vite 7.5, Foreshot 7.5, Melagoue 7.5, Merrie Emerald 7.3, Eva 7.0, Field Fare 7.0, Beulah 7.0.

VAIPIPI CUP, one mile and a-quarter.-Merrivonia 9.2, Sandstream 8.12, Te Puia 8.7, Vi 7.5, Golden Loop 7.5, The Rover 7.0, Kaurua 7.0, Lethan 7.0, Passive 6.12, Meroze 6.10, First Consul 6.7, Mataari 6.7, Miss Advance 6.7, Hilarian 6.7, Llanwern 6.7.

LADIES' BRACELET HANDICAP, one mile and a-quarter.-Tyrannic 11.11, Rangikapua 11.2, Boyne Water 10.12, Canadian 10.11, Rawhiti 10.10, St. Brandon 10.10, Hinemaramara 10.10, Merrie Valet 10.7, Rabbit 10.7, Tobermorey 10.7.

DASH HACK HANDICAP, five furlongs.-Zealand 9.7, Vibration 8.13, Bow Bells 8.11, Soultform 8.9, Longstep 8.7, British Ma'd 8.6, Beacon 7.13, Tulloch Ard 7.13, Merrie Fly 7.13, Turna 7.11, Mataka 7.10, Deploy 7.10, Lochelia 7.8, Katua 7.7, Miss Vera 7.7, Master Sylvia 7.7, Celebrity 7.4, Septimus 7.4, Puketotara 7.4, Gaby 7.2, Portoculis 7.2, Lady Van 7.2, Kiltie Lass 7.2, Operation 6.10, Lady Volley 6.10, Merrie Widow 6.10, Black Reef 6.10, Dogfish 6.10, Ruapare 6.10.

OPAKI WELTER HANDICAP, one mile.-Golden Loop 9.11, Lethan 9.7, St. Felix 9.2, Aimwell 8.10, Meroze 8.0, Attention 7.13, Mataari 7.11, Te Roti 7.11, Bunkum 7.9, Hilarian 7.9, Llanwern 7.9, Afterthought 7.7, Gunboat 7.7, Miss Advance 7.7, Thetis 7.7.

ACCEPTANCES. OHINEMURI J.C. ANNUAL MEETING.

SHORTS HANDICAP, four furlongs.-Lady French 9.6, Hard Rock 8.4, Hikuai 8.0, Bogy 7.8, Fremantle 7.8, Harenoa 7.8, Blue Mount 6.13, Arawa 6.10, Miss Stella 6.7.

HURDLE RACE, two miles.-Don Quex 11.2, Bully 10.9, Luscombe 10.5, Cloudy Morn 9.10, Taiaha 9.4, Banjo 9.0.

NETHERTON WELTER, seven furlongs.-Scotch 9.12, Hyperion 9.9, Mildura 8.10, Toa Tahi 8.8, St. Wood 8.5, Romantic 8.4, Taka 8.4, Paeroa 8.0.

KOMATA HANDICAP, seven furlongs.-Crispinner 9.0, Lady Cuirassier 8.3, Lord Menschikoff 8.2, Hyacinth 8.0, Madam Paul 7.9, Leonite 7.6, Tenby 7.5, Field Glass 7.4, Stepink 7.4, Tim Doolan 7.0, Koroirangi 7.0, Hesperian 6.10.

OHINEMURI CUP, one mile and a-quarter.-Royal Soul 9.5, Elektrakoff 9.7, Monoplane 7.7, Master Theory 7.6, Tamainupo 7.6, Miss Livonia 6.12, Explosive 6.8, St. Rupert 6.7, Fraulin 6.7.

KARANGAHAKE HANDICAP, five furlongs.-Hard Rock 9.0, Impulsive 8.11, Frontino 8.9, Bogy 8.7, Minstrel 8.5, Engraver 8.4, Toa Tahi 8.2, Harenoa 8.2, Jolie File 7.7, Blue Mount 7.7, St. Amans 7.7, Arawa 6.13, Leafire 6.13, Tim Doolan 6.7.

MAIDEN HURDLE RACE, one mile and a-half.-Sabine 10.2, Taiaha 9.10, St. Wood 9.4, Bonnie Jean 9.3, Crispinner 9.3, Miss Explosive 9.2, Romantic 9.2, Field-Marshal 9.2, Duden 9.0.

ST. PATRICK'S HANDICAP, six furlongs.-Master Jack 7.13, Impulsive 7.10, Jena 7.8, Frontino 7.6, Sir Rupert 7.4, Engraver 7.4, Taka 6.13, Watchman 6.8.

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AUTUMN MEETING. FIRST DAY. WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26, 1911.

MAIDEN PLATE HANDICAP of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs and third horse 5sovs out of the stake. For all horses that have not won an advertised flat race exceeding 50sovs in value, or race of the collective value of 200sovs at time of starting. Nomination 1sov. acceptance 1sov. Distance, six furlongs.

HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 100sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs and third horse 5sovs out of the stake. Over eight flights of hurdles. Nomination 1sov. acceptance 1sov. Distance, two miles.

OAKLEY HANDICAP of 100sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs and third horse 5sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds. Nomination 1sov. acceptance 1sov. Distance, five furlongs.

JUVENILE HANDICAP of 100sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs and third horse 5sovs out of the stake. For two-year-olds. Nomination 1sov. acceptance 1sov. Distance, five furlongs.

AVONDALE HANDICAP of 200sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs and third horse 10sovs out of the stake. Winner of any flat race after the declaration of weights to carry 5lb extra. Nomination 1sov. acceptance 3sovs. Distance, one mile and a-quarter.

TITIRANGI HANDICAP of 100sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs and third horse 5sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Winner of any flat race after the declaration of weights to carry 5lb extra. Nomination 1sov. acceptance 1sov. Distance, seven furlongs.

BOXING.

BILL RUDD SCORES KNOCKOUT.

DEFEATS JEROME IN SYDNEY.

Bill Rudd, the New Zealand heavy-weight champion, fought his first battle since landing in Australia last week, when he met Jerry Jerome, the Queensland aboriginal boxer, at the Sydney Galety before a bumper house. Rudd turned the scales at 11.4 while Jerome's weight was given as 11.3. Both men were given a hearty reception on entering the ring.

For the first two rounds the coloured man escaped many heavy swings. He showed cleverness peculiarly his own in back-moving Rudd's leads, and often swung a heavy left to the mouth. His awkward style bothered Rudd a great deal. First he would shape up left hand foremost, then by a quick movement change to an entirely opposite attitude. From the third until the knock-out in the eighth round Rudd looked all over a winner, excepting in the fifth round, when Jerry, by right swings on the chin, momentarily dazed the New Zealand champion, who was forced to hang on. He soon recovered, and by right and left to the body doubled Jerry almost in two. Rudd paid particular attention to the body, where he landed very often with heavy lefts and rights, and an occasional jolt to the side of the head with either hand.

Jerry opened up the eighth round by swinging a feeble right and left to the head. Rudd jolted right and left to the face, causing Jerry to back out of a clinch, when a hard left swing caught the Queensland on the jaw. It rattled Jerry, whose left swing to head was countered by a straight left from Rudd to the nose; and, following it up, he swung a right on the jaw, putting Jerry down and out.

LIGHT-WEIGHT CHAMPION DEFEATED.

BOUT NOT FOR TITLE

Sydney papers give particulars of a ten round bout which took place in New York on the 6th inst. between Ad. Wolgast, world's lightweight champion and "Knockout" Brown, the New York lightweight, which resulted in the latter gaining the decision over Wolgast. The bout, which was a slashing ten-rounds affair, took place before the National Sporting Club.

Brown forced the fighting from the start, and was the aggressor throughout. He gave more punishment than he received, but in the clinches the champion showed superior generalship. His tactics, however, were so rough that he was loudly hissed by the packed house, as he frequently used his elbows.

Neither man was in distress at any time during the bout, and no blood was drawn. In the last round Brown was backing towards the ropes as Wolgast rushed him, and would have fallen through, had not the spectators pushed him back into the ring. The ten rounds were fought at a furious pace.

Wolgast scored in the in-fighting, and rained damaging blows on his opponent's kidneys at every opportunity, as well as several hard punches over the heart. Brown broke away cleaner than was required, and his fair style of fighting won the applause of the crowd.

He was loudly cheered when he swung his right and left hand to the face in quick succession. He also got some nasty jabs home to the jaw, and made the pace a cracker throughout, after forcing Wolgast to the ropes. The decision in favour of Brown was received with cheers.

The match, of course, was not one in which the title of world's champion was involved, but it plainly reveals the fact that Wolgast's position is not by any means as safe as was generally believed. When Wolgast some time ago disposed of Battling Nelson in so convincing a manner, and won for himself the title of world's lightweight champion it was thought that this remarkable youth would prove equal to keeping the lightweight belt in his possession for a number of years at least, but after his defeat at the hands of "Knockout" Brown, who is credited with disposing of a large number of boxers in a short space of time, it appears as though it will not be long before a new champion is heralded in the lightweight division. A return match to decide the world's lightweight championship is almost certain to follow between Brown and Wolgast,

and the latter will assuredly have to be at the height of his form in order to retain his laurels.

PAPKE DEFEATS SMITH.

BATTLE LASTS SEVEN ROUNDS.

The cables announce that the return match at the Sydney Stadium on Saturday night, between Billy Papke, the American middleweight boxer, and Dave Smith, the ex-New Zealand middleweight, resulted in a victory for the former in the seventh round, the towel being thrown in from Smith's corner to save a knock-out. Papke proved too strong for Smith all through the fight.

Smith and Papke have now met on two occasions, and this return battle was arranged with a view of settling all doubts as to who was the better boxer of the pair. It is well-known to boxing enthusiasts that in their first battle, Smith gained the decision on a foul in the tenth round, Papke having struck him below the belt, though the New Zealander is said to have had a big lead in points at the time. During the period prior to their second meeting Smith met "Cyclone" Johnny Thompson, the American boxer, over whom he scored a points victory after twenty willing rounds. Following this a twenty rounds battle took place between Papke and Thompson, when the "Illinois Thunderbolt" was beaten by Thompson on points after one of the finest contests ever witnessed in Sydney. The results of these two contests pointed to Smith as a likely victor in his second match with Papke but as this contest was stated to be for the world's middleweight championship, the American's followers were confident that he would give a good account of himself. Papke, realising what victory meant to him on his return to the States, trained hard for the return match, and the consequence was that the contest created more excitement than any other held in Sydney this season. The result leaves Papke's claim to the middleweight title undisputed so far as Dave Smith is concerned, but it is possible that he will be forced into a return match with Johnny Thompson on his return to America, with other battles to follow with various challengers, before the question as to the rightful holder of the championship is satisfactorily settled.

The bill framed by Tommy Burns to legalise 10-round prize fights in Washington State is being well supported in the House of Representatives. Representative Wray, by whom the measure was introduced, says that 45 members have pledged themselves to vote for the bill.

CYCLING AND MOTOR NOTES.

The Leagues of Wheelmen in Victoria and New South Wales (says the Sydney "Bulletin") have come together again, and will work until Easter under the old reciprocity agreement originally framed by the dead and gone Federal Cycling Council. At Easter there will be a conference at which many things will be talked of, including a project to import star riders from the uttermost ends of the earth, run them at series of carnivals held throughout the States, with a view to "placing track racing on a proper footing once more." It will be a fairly desperate sort of gamble; but if the business can be made very attractive at the beginning it is quite possible that

bike-racing may be suddenly lifted from the gutter to the top of the steeple. That the public loved the old cycling carnivals there is no question. It was only when the sport became utterly rotten that the public started to say away, and when the hoodlers fell out among themselves and laid the whole disgraceful business bare in the courts, the business stank—hummed, in fact. Then the public felt it had to assume an aspect of outraged virtue. But what nights they were!

The Australian half-mile amateur championship, decided at Sydney on February 25, was won by Thompson (Sydney) in 1min. 4 3-5sec. The ten miles championship was won by Weston (Sydney) in 24min 34sec.

ATHLETICS.

AUCKLAND AMATEUR SPORTS.

SIMPSON WINS 100YDS. CHAMPIONSHIP.

A. DORMER IN FORM.

The Auckland Athletic and Cycle Club held their autumn carnival at the Domain on Saturday, in unfavourable weather. The rain of Friday night and Saturday morning rendered the track in a soft condition, and it was cut about considerably after the first half-dozen events had been run off. The unpropitious weather affected the attendance to a big extent, and it is estimated that those present numbered only 1500. Drizzling rain fell for about an hour whilst the sports were in progress, and the dampness underfoot no doubt kept many away from the carnival.

Though the opening event on the programme was started about a quarter of an hour behind time, the other races was got off in quick succession, and spectators had nothing to growl about as regards the way the gathering was managed. Mr. J. H. Fielder's handicapping was productive of some very keen finishes and with few exceptions the various events were of a most interesting character. Several highly creditable performances were registered during the afternoon, J. Walker, G. N. Hill, A. Dormer, J. R. Simpson and J. W. Bennett all showing good form. In the cycle races G. Herring rode exceedingly well, and but for a fall would perhaps have won both events. In the Long Jump and Hop, Step and Jump handicaps, C. Reyland, a Maori, showed up prominently, winning the former event, and being placed second in the latter.

The principal event of the afternoon, the 100Yds. Provincial Championship, saw eight competitors toe the mark, included among whom were the ex-college athletes J. C. Whitney (King's College), and F. Carolan (Grammar School). Mr. J. Fagan starter, effected a good despatch, the field, with the exception of Carolan, who beat the pistol, moving off in line. A splendid race resulted, J. R. Simpson—whose showing in the opening event of the day pointed to him having a chance second to none in the championship,—putting in a fine dash over the last 30yds and defeating Whitney by 6 inches, with Carolan inches behind third. The winner is in splendid fettle just at present and was chosen as one of Auckland's representatives at the New Zealand Championship meeting, on Saturday, at Christchurch.

G. N. Hill, who first gained fame by winning the Marathon race from Howick to the Domain, showed up

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RAILWAY HANDICAP of 115sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs and third horse 5sovs out of the stake. Winner of any flat race after the declaration of weights to carry 5lb extra. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. Distance, six furlongs.

SECOND DAY.

SATURDAY, APRIL 29, 1911.

NURSERY HANDICAP of 100sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs and third horse 5sovs out of the stake. For two-year-olds. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. Distance, six furlongs.

FLYING HANDICAP of 100sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs and third horse 5sovs out of the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. Distance, four furlongs.

MAIDEN HANDICAP HURDLES of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs and third horse 5sovs out of the stake. For all horses that have not won a hurdle race of the value of 30sovs, or races of the collective value of 200sovs at time of starting. Over seven flights of hurdles. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. Distance, one mile and three-quarters.

AUTUMN HANDICAP of 150sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs and third horse 5sovs out of the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 2sovs. Distance, one mile.

DOMINION HANDICAP of 100sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs and third horse 5sovs out of the stake. For three-year-olds and upwards. Winner of any flat race after the declaration of weights to carry 5lb extra. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. Distance, five furlongs.

HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 115 sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs and third horse 5sovs out of the stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. Distance, about three miles.

MOUNT ROSKILL HANDICAP of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs and third horse 5sovs out of the stake. For all horses that have not won an advertised race exceeding 50sovs in value, or races of the collective value of 200sovs at time of starting. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. Distance, six furlongs.

WAITAKERI HANDICAP of 100sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs and third horse 5sovs out of the stake. Winner of any flat race after the declaration of weights to carry 5lb extra. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1 sov. Distance, six furlongs.

DATES OF NOMINATIONS AND ACCEPTANCES

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

FRIDAY, APRIL 7 (General Entry), by 9 p.m.

NOMINATIONS.—Maiden Plate Handicap 1sov, Handicap Hurdles 1sov, Oakley Handicap 1sov, Juvenile Handicap 1sov, Avondale Handicap 1sov, Ttirangi Handicap 1sov, Chevalier Handicap 1sov, Railway Handicap 1sov, Maiden Handicap Hurdles 1sov, Autumn Handicap 1 sov, Flying Handicap 1sov, Dominion Handicap 1sov, Nursery Handicap 1sov, Steeplechase Handicap 1sov, Mount Roskill Handicap 1sov, Waitakeri Handicap 1sov.

FRIDAY, APRIL 21, by 9 p.m.

ACCEPTANCES.—Maiden Plate Handicap 1sov, Handicap Hurdles 1sov, Oakley Handicap 1sov, Avondale Handicap 3sovs, Ttirangi Handicap 1sov, Juvenile Handicap 1sov, Chevalier Handicap 1sov, Railway Handicap 1sov.

THURSDAY, APRIL 27, by 9 p.m.

ACCEPTANCES.—Maiden Handicap Hurdles 1sov, Flying Handicap 1sov, Dominion Handicap 1sov, Autumn Handicap 2sovs, Nursery Handicap 1sov, Handicap Steeplechase 1sov, Mount Roskill Handicap 1sov, Waitakeri Handicap 1sov.

DATES ON WHICH HANDICAPS APPEAR.

On or about **WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19.**—Maiden Plate Handicap, Handicap Hurdles, Oakley Handicap, Juvenile Handicap, Avondale Handicap, Ttirangi Handicap, Chevalier Handicap, Railway Handicap.

THURSDAY, APRIL 27 (Morning Paper).—Maiden Handicap Hurdles, Flying Handicap, Dominion Handicap, Autumn Handicap, Nursery Handicap, Handicap Steeplechase, Mount Roskill Handicap, Waitakeri Handicap.

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attractively in both the One Mile and Three Mile races, in both of which events he was on scratch. Conceding starts up to 120yds. in the mile, Hill ran a great race, and though defeated by A. Dormer by 10yds, the splendid sprint which he put in over the last 300yds. showed that he was at the top of his form, and he was loudly cheered for his game effort. Hill covered the mile in 4m. 34 4-5s, which considering the state of the track, was very fair time. In the Three Miles Handicap, Hill was called upon to concede starts up to 270yds, and striding along in great style he caught the limit men some 500yds from the tape, and mustering a strong burst of speed over the final lap he drew away from C. Ornstein and W. McCullam, and won by 100yds in 15m. 48 3-5s. Hill finished at a great bat and was given an ovation on the completion of his run.

J. Walker performed creditably in all the events in which he started. In the final of the 120yds Hurdles he made a brilliant showing, catching the leader, Kerr-Taylor, at the last hurdle and winning an exciting race by a yard. Walker started 14yds behind scratch and covered the distance in 18 2-5s. He jumped his hurdles smartly, and never faltered, steering a clever course throughout, Walker was placed second in the heat of the 220yds Handicap, and in the final he won a good race by a couple of yards, putting in a well-sustained sprint at the finish. Walker started in the 440Yds Handicap, and though prominent all through, he was a trifle done over the last 50yds and had to be content with third place. Had Walker started in the 440Yds Hurdles it is almost certain that he would have annexed this event, as he is considered to be at his best over this particular hurdle distance.

J. C. Whitney did not succeed in capturing any of the events on the programme, but nevertheless ran prominently in each of the races in which he participated. Had he not undertaken to do too much, he possibly would have met with better success. In the 120yds hurdles, however, he ran rather disappointingly, and the popular opinion was that he would prove Walker's superior in this event, but third was the best he could do. It was in the 100Yds Championship that Whitney was seen at his best, and in finishing a close second to Simpson he was responsible for a performance of no mean merit. He showed a good deal of pace in the 440Yds Hurdles, and had an excellent chance of success until a faulty jump at the last hurdle brought him down.

A. Dormer, a long distance runner, hailing from Opotiki, made something of a reputation for himself, by finishing first in the Half Mile and One Mile Handicaps, and dead-beating for first place in the 440Yds Handicap with A. L. Tressider. In both the half and the one-mile events Dormer ran well-judged races, and finished strongly in each instance. He is undoubtedly a good performer over these distances, and should be heard further of at future athletic gatherings.

The jumping events attracted good entries, C. Reyland, of Rotorua, winning the Broad Jump; and W. Darby, the Hop, Step and Jump. Although J. Wallace, the New Zealand champion hammer thrower, was present at the carnival, he did not compete in the Throwing the Hammer or Putting the Shot events, in which A. Trimble was the only competitor.

The bicycle races furnished some keen competition, but several of the events were robbed of much interest by a number of the riders coming to grief. The track was very slippery for cycle racing and rather than take any risks many of the competitors rode wide at the bends. In the One Mile Bicycle final, A. V. Docherty and G. Herring appeared to have the best chances on their showing in the heat. Docherty, however, elected to hug the bends too close, and when fast catching the leaders, he met with a mishap by striking a post after going about 500yds, and came down heavily. Herring soon had the others at his mercy, but half-way up the straight he nearly came to grief, momentarily losing his position as the result of receiving a bump which caused his machine to wobble, but he managed to straighten it up, and with a final effort won comfortably. The final of the Two Miles Bicycle Race saw Herring in the lead 500yds from the finish, and he set the pace a cracker over the final stage of the race. McInnis, however, set out after him, but in making a big effort to catch Herring, he caused his machine to swerve badly, and lost considerable ground. Undaunted he set sail again after Her-

ring, and pedalling for all he was worth drew alongside him about 75 yds. from the tape; and an exciting finished was promised. McInnis' machine, however, again wobbled, and Herring in riding a determined finish, was unable to prevent his machine from swerving outwards, and a collision resulted, both cyclists coming down. Flewellyn and Houston having given up, this left the finish to B. McNeil and T. Haslip who filled first and second places respectively.

Only three started in the One Mile Walk, and chief interest was centred in J. W. Bennett, of Hamilton, formerly champion of the Northern Counties, England. It was soon evident that Bennett (scr.), and A. Rogers (20 yds.), were the only two in it, R. Fordham (100yds), the other competitor, being caught before half-a-mile was covered, and throwing up the sponge. Bennett passed Rogers after going 700yds, and retained the lead up to the finish. Rogers made a desperate attempt to catch Bennett in the last quarter, but was unable to make any impression on the Englishman, who finished very strong. Bennett is a fine type of walking champion, and has a free and easy action. At the same time he is a very fair walker, and at no time looked like infringing the rules.

The officials of the carnival were:—Referee, Mr J. U. Collins; stewards, Messrs. M. J. Sheahan and G. Donaldson; judges, Messrs F. J. Ohlson, W. Speight, F. Hull, and H. Frost; timekeepers, Messrs. McManemin, White, Read, Dennison, and Pickford; starter, Mr J. Fagan; clerk of course, Mr J. Hardwicke; marksmen, Messrs. D. Gallagher, Wilkes, and Tilley; result steward, Mr W. Winks; result-board stewards, Messrs. A. L. Sheppard, A. Coutts, and A. Campbell; judges of walking, Messrs J. Dickey and J. Mahon; judge of field events, Mr T. B. O'Connor; lap steward, Mr W. H. Moyes; press steward, Mr P. R. Fraser; call steward, Mr J. Ferrat; hon. treasurer, Mr C. V. Langsford; hon. secretary, Mr T. H. Hanson.

The results were as follows:—

75 YARDS HANDICAP.
 First Heat: This race was, by mistake, run over a 100yds. course, and resulted: G. Simpson, 10yds, 1; J. R. Simpson, 3yds 2; N. R. Jacobsen, 5 1/2 yds, 3. J. R. Simpson put in a great run over the final 30 yards. It was decided to rerun the heat over the proper distance, but G. Simpson and J. Simpson did not have to start again, having already qualified for the final. The result of the heat was: N. R. Jacobsen, 5 1/2 yds, 1; W. Glass, 7 1/2 yds, 2; J. E. Nolan, 7yds 3. Time, 8sec.
 Second Heat: J. J. Mulvihill, 5yds, 1; F. Carolan, 5yds, 2; K. McNab, 7yds, 3. Also started: F. J. Killip 5 1/2 yds S. McCredie 7 1/2 yds. Won by a foot. Time, 7 4-5sec.
 Third Heat: E. J. Schofield, 6yds, 1; E. Carey, 5yds, 2; A. Twiname, 7yds, 3. Also started: J. J. McDermott 5 1/2 yds. C. F. Burns 6 1/2 yds, E. C. Barnes 5yds. Won by half a yard. Time, 8sec.
 Fourth Heat: A. O. Darby, 7 1/2 yds, 1; J. H. Edwards, 4yds, 2; W. T. Kieley, 9 yds, 3. Also started: J. J. Bovaird 5 1/2 yds, J. R. Edwards 6yds, C. Sullivan 6 yds, E. Williams 6 1/2 yds, V. F. White 7 1/2 yds. Won by half a yard. Time, 8sec.
 Final Heat: A. O. Darby, 1; G. Simpson, 2; E. J. Schofield, 3. A close finish. Won by half a yard. Time, 7 4-5sec.

880 YARDS HANDICAP.
 A. Dormer, 33yds 1; S. Gyllies, 32yds, 2; C. R. Robertson, 50yds, 3. Also started: H. Laird 38yds, W. E. A. Ornstein 40yds, E. C. Barnes 40yds, H. G. Chevis 44yds, W. Glass 46yds, C. Roscoe 48yds.
 The winner, A. Dormer, ran a good race. S. Gyllies looked like winning 300 yards from home, and though he clapped on the pace over the latter stage he found Dormer too hard a nut to crack, the Opotiki runner holding his own easy in the run to the tape and winning by five yards, with Robertson 10 yards away, third. Time, 1min 59sec.

HIGH JUMP HANDICAP.
 A. Hawthorn, 2in, 5ft 3in 1
 E. J. Munro scr., 5ft 1in *
 C. C. Laurie, scr., 5ft 1in *
 Also competed: C. Reyland (2in) and R. E. W. Fordham (3in).
 Munro and Laurie deadheated for second place.

ONE MILE BICYCLE HANDICAP.
 First Heat: G. Herring, 35yds, 1; W. F. Houston, 60yds, 2; W. Sutherland, 25 yds, 3. Also started: A. Flewellyn scr., A. Herring 80yds, W. Blackwell 100yds, A. Wine 110yds, B. Maberly 110yds, J. Lecky 115yds, W. Sutton 120yds, E. McNeil 125yds.
 G. Herring was a long way out of it after half a mile had been covered, but in the third lap he sprinted and simply left the other competitors standing. He led into the straight where Houston challenged, but Herring shook him off in the last 20 yards and won by a length, with two lengths between second and third. Time, 2min 37sec.
 Second Heat: A. McInnes, 140yds, 1; A. V. Docherty, 15yds, 2; V. Charles, 115 yds, 3. Also started: E. W. Burton scr., N. C. Wadman 25yds, K. Sommers 45yds, R. C. Baker 75yds, W. H. Matthews 80 yds, G. Eaton 100yds, T. Haslip 100yds, G. Horscroft 110yds, H. J. Lyons 120yds, H. Oakes 130yds.
 Burton, the scratch man, was going well, but came down after covering about 700 yards. A feature of this race was the splendid finish of the second man, A. V. Docherty, who, when the last lap came to be undertaken, was lying eighth. With a great sprint he passed all of the

competitors but A. McInnis, who won rather easily. Time, 2min 34 3-5sec.
 Final: G. Herring, 1; W. Sutherland, 2; V. Charles, 3. Also started: W. F. Houston, A. V. Docherty, A. McInnes. Time 2min 38sec.

THROWING THE HAMMER HANDICAP.
 A. Trimble, Syds, 8ft. 1in. 1
 The only competitor.

120 YARDS HURDLE HANDICAP.
 First Heat: J. Walker, owes 14yds, 1; L. E. Kerr-Taylor, owes 2yds, 2; A. Hawthorn, owes 5yds, 3. The only starters.
 Walker drew level with Hawthorn at the eighth hurdle, at which Kerr-Taylor had a couple of yards lead. At the ninth hurdle Walker caught Kerr-Taylor, and an interesting race saw the former win by a yard. Time, 18 4-5sec.
 Second Heat: J. C. Whitney, owes 14 yds, 1; H. Laird, owes 3yds, 2. The only starters. Whitney jumped well and soon had the measure of Laird, winning fairly easily.
 Final: J. Walker, 1; L. E. Kerr-Taylor, 2; J. C. Whitney, 3. Won by a yard, with inches only between second and third. Time 18 4-5sec.

ONE MILE WALK HANDICAP.
 J. W. Bennett, scratch 1
 A. Rogers, 20yds 2
 Also started: R. E. W. Fordham 100yds. Won by five yards. Time, 6min 44 2-5sec.

BROAD JUMP HANDICAP.
 C. Reyland, 9in, 20ft 3 1/2 in 1
 W. Darby, 1ft, 19ft 7in 2
 A. Hawthorn, 6in, 19ft 5in 3
 Also competed: E. J. Schofield scratch, J. C. Whitney scratch, G. J. Munro 9in, J. J. Bovaird 1ft 3in, C. C. Laurie 1ft 6in, A. Twiname 1ft 6in.

ONE MILE HANDICAP.
 A. Dormer, 70yds 1
 G. N. Hill, scratch 2
 C. Roscoe, 115yds 3
 Also started: E. C. Barnes 80yds, L. Gilchrist 85yds, W. J. Love 85yds, E. McGaughran 90yds, C. Ornstein 95yds, D. G. Slade 100yds, C. R. Robertson 120yds.
 Won by 10 yards. Time, 4min 32 2-5sec.

PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIP, 100 YARDS.
 J. R. Simpson 1
 J. C. Whitney 2
 F. Carolan 3
 Also started: N. R. Jacobsen, E. W. Carey, C. Ryland, J. H. Edwards, J. J. Mulvihill.
 J. Edwards broke down over the first 50 yards. Won by six inches. Time, 10 3-5sec.

BICYCLE HANDICAP, TWO MILES.
 First Heat: G. Herring, 60yds, 1; W. F. Houston, 115yds, 2; A. Flewellyn, scr., 3. Also started: A. Herring 150yds, W. Blackwell 190yds, E. Maberly 190yds, V. Charles 220yds, H. J. Lyons 220yds. Won easily, only inches separating second and third. Time 5min 32 2-5sec.
 Second Heat: A. McInnes 260yds, 1; B. McNeil, 230yds, 2; T. Haslip, 190yds, 3. Also started: E. W. Burton scratch, V. Docherty 30yds, N. C. Wadman 45yds, K. Sommers 75yds, R. C. Baker 130yds, W. H. Matthews 155yds, G. Eaton 190yds, G. Horscroft 210yds, J. Lecky 215yds, W. Sutton 220yds, H. Oakes 245yds. Won easily. Time 5min 22sec.
 Final: B. McNeil, 1; T. Haslip, 2. Also started: G. Herring, W. F. Houston, A. McInnes, A. Flewellyn. Time, 5min 26 2-5sec.

220 YARDS HANDICAP.
 First Heat: S. Gyllies, 17yds, 1; J. Walker, 11yds, 2; A. L. Tressider, 13yds, 3. Also started: F. J. Killip, 15yds, K. McNab 18yds, W. E. A. Ornstein 19yds, W. Davis 19yds. Won by a yard. Time, 23 1-5sec.
 Second Heat: W. R. Sansbury, 19yds, 1; F. Carolan, 14yds, 2; E. W. Carey, 12 yds, 3. Also started: C. Sullivan 15yds, E. Castleton 17yds. Won by half a yard. Time, 23 1-5sec.
 Third Heat: J. H. Edwards, 14yds, 1; W. Glass, 19yds, 2; C. F. Burns, 15yds, 3. Also started: A. Hawthorn 12yds, J. D. Stewart 18yds, J. E. Nolan 19yds. Won by half a yard. Time, 23 2-5sec.
 Fourth Heat: A. O. Darby, 17yds, 1; S. McCredie, 18yds, 2; E. Williams, 16yds, 3. Also started: N. R. Jacobsen 13yds, J. H. Edwards 15yds, H. G. Chevis 19yds, W. T. Kieley 20yds. Won easily. Time, 24 sec.
 Final: J. Walker, 1; W. Glass, 2; S. Gyllies, 3.
 Won by a yard, inches only between second and third. Time, 22 4-5sec.

PUTTING THE SHOT.
 A. Trimble (6ft.) 31ft 6 1/2 in 1
 The only competitor.

HOP, STEP AND JUMP HANDICAP.
 W. Darby (3ft), 42ft, 1 1/2 in 1
 C. Reyland (1ft), 41ft 9 1/2 in 2
 J. J. Bovaird (3ft), 40ft 8in 3
 Also competed: E. Schofield scratch, G. Rogers 1ft, A. Hawthorn 1ft 6in, G. N. Hill 2ft, S. Olney 3ft, C. C. Laurie 3ft 6in, A. Twiname 4ft.

440 YARDS HURDLE HANDICAP.
 J. D. Stewart, 20yds 1
 S. Gyllies, 20yds 2
 J. C. Whitney, scratch 3
 Also started: A. Hawthorn 12yds, H. Laird 25yds. Laird led for about 150 yards and was then displaced by Stewart, while Whitney was coming fast from behind. Whitney was almost level with Stewart at the ninth hurdle, but lost ground by a faulty jump. He was up with Stewart at the tenth hurdle, but fell when victory was within his grasp, and on rising was just beaten for second place by Gyllies. Time, 1min 4sec.

THREE-MILE HANDICAP.
 G. N. Hill, scratch 1
 C. Ornstein, 220yds 2
 W. McCullam, 230yds 3
 Also started: W. Trimble 200yds, W. F. Hope 200yds, E. C. Barnes 105yds, L. Gilchrist 210yds, G. Heron 240yds, J. Seal 250yds, C. Roscoe 270yds.
 Won by over 100 yards. Time, 15min 48 4-5sec.

440 YARDS HANDICAP.
 A. L. Tressider, 18yds *
 A. Dormer, rehandicapped 1yds *
 J. Walker, 12yds 3

Also started: J. R. Simpson 15yds, C. F. Burns 20yds, N. Nicholls 22yds, E. McGughran 22yds, W. Glass 23yds, H. G. Chevis 23yds, C. R. Robinson 24yds, E. H. R. Gyllies 24yds, W. R. Sansbury 25yds, W. E. A. Ornstein 25yds, W. T. Kieley 26yds.

An exciting finish saw Tressider and Dormer reach the tape together, with J. Walker a yard behind, third. Time, 52 2-5sec.

HASKINS TESTED IN WELLINGTON.

The proposed test of Guy Haskins, the well-known long distance runner, duly came off at the Basin Reserve, Wellington, on Wednesday of last week. A half mile race was arranged in which the meeting of Haskins, and Wilson was watched with intense interest. The event was held for the purpose of giving Haskins an opportunity of satisfying the selectors before being finally chosen to compete at the Coronation sports in London.

The two men toed the mark shortly after 6.30 p.m., Haskins taking the inside running. After he had broken away once, the pair got away together. Wilson endeavoured to take the lead, but Haskins kept well abreast of him, so as to retain inside running. At the fountain Haskins was 3 yards in the lead, but Wilson had reduced the distance to a yard at the end of a quarter of a mile, which was run in 58 3-5sec. On passing the fountain the second time Haskins was quite 4 yards ahead, and in the last hundred yards he ran right away, and won easily in 2min. 2 3-5sec.

Haskins satisfied the selectors as to his form, and left last week for the Old Country.

H. G. Chevis, the well-known amateur runner, made his re-appearance on the track at Saturday's carnival after a lengthy spell from active participation in athletics. Chevis showed that he had not lost his old form, as coming up the straight in the 220yds he was fighting out the finish with two others, but he faltered in his stride and was badly jostled, otherwise he must have qualified for the final.

C. Reyland, the well-known Maori footballer, who won the Broad Jump at the Domain on Saturday, left for Hastings by the Main Trunk express on Monday night. Reyland has entered for the jumping events to be decided at the Championship meeting on Saturday, and he will probably leave Hastings in time to reach Christchurch to compete at the gathering.

J. Walker, the Auckland representative footballer, and all-round athlete, left yesterday by the P. and O. liner Moldavia for India, where he is to take up a lieutenantancy in the Warwickshire Regiment, which is now stationed in India.

The committee of the Auckland Amateur Athletic and Cycle Club selected the following three athletes to represent Auckland at the New Zealand Championships at Christchurch on Saturday, the team having left for South by the Main Trunk express on Sunday night under the management of Mr. G. N. Hill:—J. R. Simpson and J. C. Whitney, 100yds, 220yds, and 440yds; J. C. Whitney, 120yds hurdles; G. N. Hill, one and three miles flat.

BILLIARDS.

Fred Lindrum, it is stated, may visit England on September next, and should the Australian champion strike form he is just the one to "catch on" as his billiards are much more entertaining than those of Gray. Lindrum recently opened out in Newcastle in a game against Jack Griffiths, to whom the champion conceded 300 in 750. Freddy won by 274. Amongst his breaks was one of 274, which eloquently tells its own story. Next night he opened at Maitland, and outed Willer by 209, with the same starts—making one break of 209. Then going on to Quirindi, he dealt out stoush to the local player, but capped all performances by making a break of 469 at Tamworth. This might have been increased but for losing the red, which cut the run short.

George Gray during the past week was pitted against his manager, George Nelson, and, amongst smaller totals, collected one break of over 1200. Home papers are still full of eulogies of the boy, and the following from "The Sportsman" is of interest: It was the writer's pleasure and privilege to have a brief interview

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"GLITTERING GLORIA."

Mr Hugh J. Ward's next production will be the famous song farce, entitled "Glittering Gloria," by Hugh Morton, author of the "Belle of New York." It is a play full of humorous dialogue and funny situations. The principal cause of the trouble that nearly wrecks the happy married life and the course of true love with an engaged couple is a diamond necklace. Gloria Grant, a beautiful actress, known as Glittering Gloria, has many admirers, who are anxious to present her with a wonderful diamond necklace. They all meet at a Bond-street jewellers' shop, and the fun is fast and furious, concerning who will be the fortunate one to secure the necklace for Gloria. A rural solicitor enters the shop, secures the necklace, and marches off with the lady. In the second act the wife and fiancée, still suspicious, visit Gloria's flat. Their husband and lover also happen to be there, and to escape being seen, hide in two trunks, which are taken away. Eventually everything is cleared up by Gloria's tact. The innumerable situations, sparkling dialogue, and the clever characterisations of the farce make up one of the funniest plays ever presented to a Dominion audience. A feature of the piece is a ferocious bull dog, who has been specially trained, and who takes exception to every one wearing a red tie. A big added attraction will be the latest songs, dances, and specialties, by Mr Ward's brilliant company of comedians.

GEORGE MARLOW'S DRAMATIC COMPANY.

"THE BAD GIRL OF THE FAMILY."

After achieving one of the greatest melodramatic successes in Melbourne, and at the Princess Theatre, too, "The Bad Girl of the Family" will make her bow to Auckland audiences at His Majesty's Theatre, Auckland, on the 27th instant, and at the Opera House, Wellington, on April 15. "The Bad Girl" ran for six weeks to big business in Melbourne, while phenomenal business was done in all the other Commonwealth centres; in fact so great has been its success that Mr Marlow has reserved this drama for the opening of the Adelphi Theatre, Sydney. There will be about thirty people travelling with the George Marlow Company through New Zealand this tour. Most of these people will be new to the Dominion, while few of the company through last year will be seen on this occasion. George Marlow some few years ago was working for a few shillings a week, while he has known what it is to walk the streets of Melbourne wondering where his next meal was coming from. Now he has erected a forty thousand pound theatre in Sydney, and secured a long lease of the Princess Theatre in Melbourne. It is a coincidence that both Mr and Mrs Marlow (Miss Ethel Buckley) commenced their stage careers under George Rignold at the Criterion, Sydney. "The Angel of his Dreams" is the title of one of the dramas to be produced in New Zealand by the Marlow Company this tour. It is said to be scenically very beautiful, and to portray one of the greatest moral lessons preached from any stage. There are four bedroom scenes in "The Bad Girl of the Family," the opening Marlow production here. In one of the most striking the bad girl utters the sentence: "Men don't want women to be good except their wives and sisters." This utterance generally produces a round of applause. Actresses of the calibre of Miss Ada Guildford and Miss Ida Gresham and Miss Lily Wiseman, the latter a daughter of the well-known character actress of that name, are with the Marlow Company for New Zealand. Mr C. R. Stanford is also with this company now. Miss Guildford is regarded as one of the best emotional actresses on the Australian melodramatic stage. Mr S. Grant will again be manager of the company through New Zealand on this forthcoming tour, and Mr Barney Levy will be in advance. Five months will be spent in New Zealand by the Marlow Company. The company will then open in Melbourne for a long season. The noted hobble skirt will be seen in "The Bad Girl of the Family."

It is estimated that the returns of the eleven weeks' run of "The Whip" in Sydney, exceed those taken for any other dramatic performance ever staged in Australia.

THE OPERA HOUSE.

FULLER'S VAUDEVILLE COMPANY

A very strong programme is being presented at the Opera House this week, no less than eleven artists appearing in the first half, while eight good "turns" are provided after the interval. A new artiste in Miss Jolly Coleman appears in a daring trapeze swinging act, in which she performs a series of difficult feats with wonderful skill and no little gracefulness. She maintains a perfect balance on the trapeze in various attitudes, and is able to sit in a chair placed on the bar without any show of uneasiness. Altogether her turn is one of no mean merit, and she is greeted with loud applause. Messrs. Farrell and Gaffney present their humorous sketch, "Army and Navy," and their original patter and clever dancing earn for them unlimited popularity. Mr Harry Sadler, the versatile comedian, scores a further success with his latest song, "Wow, Wow, Wow," which tells in a humorous manner of the attempts of a narrow-minded section of the community to turn this country into a "Zion City." As an encore Mr Sadler sings his great hit, "The Boy Scouts," which well bears repetition. Miss Cecile Stephano is heard in a charming number, and this talented contralto's excellent items are always heartily appreciated. One of the greatest favourites that has ever appeared on the Fuller circuit is Mr Scot Gibson, the popular Scotch comedian, whose ditties on Bonny Scotland never fail to evoke a furore of applause. Mr Gibson has a fine voice and an engaging manner, and his singing of "The Wedding of Sandy McNab" each evening pleases the audience immensely. Mr George Dean is always assured of a hearty reception with his character songs, in which he displays his talents as an actor and vocalist to distinct advantage. Miss Fanny Halle gives an unique exhibition of balancing, her interesting feats being neatly executed. Ardell, the nonchalant equilibrist, again appears in a clever performance with his dummy, and keeps the audience highly amused. Mr Chas. Heath gives a fine rendering of that pretty song "Mona," his silvery tenor voice holding the attention of the audience as if by magic. Miss Elaine Verroll, the dainty serio, is heard in a taking song "Cherry," and follows this up with a much-appreciated dance. Mr Fred Bishop sang a catchy whistling song, and as an encore gave a number of really clever imitations of a blackbird, skylark, thrush, chicken, and dog, his efforts being loudly applauded. Mr Tim Howard is undoubtedly a comedian of the first water, and his drolleries and amusing songs are popularly received. Miss Nellie Searle, Miss Mabel Lynne, the Gibson Girls, Miss Jessie Lee, and Mr Wally Dawson all appear in the first part of the programme, and their items contribute in no small degree to the success of the evening's entertainment.

THE KING'S THEATRE.

FULLER'S WIDE-WORLD PICTURES.

Picture lovers are staunch in their patronage of the King's Theatre, where Messrs. Fuller's fine selection of films delight large audiences nightly. A dramatic film of an original character is that entitled, "Through the Clouds," depicting a series of thrilling incidents in a political campaign in the States, and the important part played in the drama by a young aviator. The film gives an excellent idea of the progress aeronautics in making in America, as a number of aeroplanes are witnessed in flight. A pretty love story is portrayed in the picture, "Auld Robin Gray," being an adaptation from the well-known Scotch poem. A splendid film is screened, showing the launching of H.M.S. Thunderer in the Thames, this huge ironclad being the largest battleship yet constructed. During the launching ceremony a number of birds are liberated from a cage hung at the bow. A highly interesting picture is that of "Fox Hunting," depicting every detail of this fine old English sport. Excellent views are shown of the hounds in pursuit of their quarry, while the capture and death of the fox are reflected on to the screen in a very clear fashion. A sensational dramatic study is that entitled "A Leap for Life," depicting a thrilling story of the Indians of North America. Another dramatic film which appeals to the audience is

that of "A Child's Stratagem." A scenic film of a very picturesque nature is that illustrating a trip through the wonderful Roga Valley. An instructive industrial film shows the inhabitants of Java engaged in the hat-making industry. The humorous portion of the programme has received careful attention, "Tontolini has a Bad Quarter of an Hour," "A Double Elopement," and "A Useful Dog," being a trio of successful fun-makers.

WIRTH'S CIRCUS.

OPENING IN AUCKLAND ON SATURDAY.

A BIG SHOW.

Wirth Bros. Circus will arrive in Auckland early on Saturday by special trains from Ngaruawahia where they are showing on Friday. The circus will be camped on Victoria Park (Freeman's Bay) and opens with a matinee performance on Saturday afternoon, continuing nightly until further notice, with matinee's on the Wednesdays and Saturdays. One of the attractions of the circus is the famous hippopotamus (the first introduced into New Zealand) Lizzie. Messrs. Phil and George Wirth paid for this fine animal to Carl Hagenbeck, of the Hamburg Zoo, £1250. The animal, which is only a little over two years old, and weighs three tons, arrived in the best of health in two huge boxes, which were kept on deck. One served as its bath, being lined with zinc and filled with fresh, clean water daily, and the other served as its cage, where it returned every evening into a nice dry bed of straw. These animals live in water by day, and on dry land at night, and require great care and attention, for although not so delicate as the giraffe, (the firm's previous venture), it must have a man continually in attendance, and special food and regular hours for dining. There can be no doubt as to the rapid extermination of the animal; as it can be easily shot and as it lives in or near the water it is much sought after. The flesh is considered good as an article of food, the hide and tusks are of considerable value, and its presence in the rivers is considered undesirable to boatmen and others. The influx of Europeans and the civilisation of Africa will, in a very few years, be the cause of the extermination of this leviathan species, which is not likely to be domesticated, or rendered serviceable to mankind, like the elephant. When these animals become excited or out of temper, the strange phenomenon of "blood sweat" appears on their skins. The pale-chocolate colour of their skins becomes densely covered with globular red spots which look like plums in a huge plum pudding, and which leave a stain upon a handkerchief or cloth.

Greenroom Gossip.

"Wow, Wow, Wow!"

Ask the average individual for an explanation of the word "wowser," and he would probably tell you that the term is applied to those interfering persons who mind everybody's business but their own. To obtain a better definition of a "wowser," however, one has only to spend an evening at Messrs Fuller's Vaudeville Entertainments, where Mr Harry Sadler, the clever comedian, is making a big hit nightly with his latest song, "Wow, Wow, Wow, I'm a Wowser," written and composed by Mr J. F. Kemp, of Auckland. Dressed in the most solemn garb, and with a huge bible under his arm, Mr Sadler comes on to the stage with a funeral air, and almost sheds tears for his erring brethren. He sings about the many sins of man—drink, racing, smoking, cards, and other lesser evils—and concludes each chorus with a mournful "Amen." The song is well written—its verses are extremely funny, and in Mr Sadler's capable hands, this original item evokes shrieks of laughter from the appreciative audiences which throng the Opera House nightly.

A Charming Artiste.

Miss Grace Palotta has a very charming personality, she is, in fact, altogether charming. Her laugh is charming, her moods are charming, her dancing is charming, her figure is charming, and her frocks are charming. The latter, we are told, are chosen by her mother and sent direct from Paris. They are so

ravishing that they drive seekers after the "newest thing" to distraction; Miss Palotta is known as the "Queen of fashion" on the stage, and numbers of women flock to the theatre on purpose to see her frocks. In the last scene of "Seven Days," she is wearing a particularly pretty frock, with which the whole of the scenic arrangements blend admirably, and when the coloured lights are turned on, she stands a perfect picture of loveliness in an exquisite gown, in colour a glorious shade of rose pink, almost a cerise; simply made, yet possessing a style which "hallmarks" it "Paris" at once.

The Marlow Dramatic Company.

Mr Stanley Grant, manager for Mr George Marlow's Dramatic Company, arrived in Auckland on Sunday by the s.s. Maheno, from Sydney, to arrange for the production of the world's record-breaking melodrama, "The Bad Girl of the Family." It is claimed that this is the only melodrama that has been honored by the presence of Royalty. It was witnessed by King Edward, Queen Alexandra, the Princess Victoria, and other members of the Royal Family at the Aldwych Theatre, London, where it achieved the unique record (for melodrama) of running for over 700 nights.

A Record Run.

The play-going public has undoubtedly put the seal of approval on the latest J. C. Williamson pantomime, "Jack and the Beanstalk," and accordingly it is the proud possessor of every known record in the Australian pantomime series. Only one previous extravaganza—"Jack and Jill" passed the century, with 111 performances. "Jack and the Beanstalk" will reach its 100th performance next Monday evening (March 13), and, furthermore, there is every indication that it will continue to "draw" long after it has passed the "Jack and Jill" record. In addition the present popular Xmas attraction is leading as far as the biggest night, the biggest week and the biggest monetary returns, are concerned.

Baby Bliss.

Baby Bliss continues to roll in fat just as the crowds continue to roll up and gaze upon this remarkable person now on view at 75, Queen-street. This great piece of humanity is something to marvel at. Fancy a lad—that is what manager Josephs calls him—but 18 years of age, weighing 42st. 8lb., or nearly four times as heavy as an ordinary 11st. man. Baby Bliss is one of those persons we often read about, but rarely see, and when opportunity offers we are not slow to make the most of it. His breast measures 72 inches across, and being built in proportion, it can easily be conjectured that Baby Bliss is quite a rarity. Baby Bliss is on view daily at 75, Queen-street.

Casey.

Anything out of the ordinary always proves a strong attraction to Aucklanders, and Casey, now on view at 77, Queen-street, is no exception. Casey is a clever chimpanzee, who can do the proverbial 101 things. For instances, Casey beats a piano, reads a book (or appears to do so), plays a mouth organ, and does many other things to entertain his visitors. A visit to Casey is advised to all those who have not yet made his acquaintance.

A Staunch Admirer.

Very few actors or actresses have a more devoted admirer than one who lavishes her steadfast adoration on Miss Sybil Arundale, and who is known to Miss Arundale simply as "Ada." Ever since the popular young artist appeared as Lady Molly, Ada has been numbered amongst the most faithful of her adherents. When Miss Arundale was appearing in London, Ada made a practice of bringing flowers to her dressing-room at least three times a week, and even when on tour, appearing in theatrical performances or in concert work, some offering or communication was certain to arrive from Ada, even if she did not arrive in person, which she sometimes contrived to do. Now that the distance is so great between Miss Arundale and her faithful friend, the latter's letters are even more affectionate than ever. In the last epistle which arrived, she pointed out that if it came to a choice between Miss Arundale and her own husband, she really thought the former would take first place in her affections.

AUSTRALIAN HAPPENINGS.

(From Our Sydney and Melbourne Correspondents.)

A striking instance of the realism which marks present-day dramatic productions is furnished in "Via Wireless," the new play which has followed "The Whip" at Her Majesty's Theatre, Sydney. There are several very remarkable scenes in the new piece, possibly the most interesting being the wireless room on a big ocean liner. There is no make-believe about the plant used in this scene, for it was installed specially by the Australasian Wireless, Ltd., and is "the real thing." Another very novel scene is that of a huge foundry showing the casting of a nine-inch gun. The effect of immensity in the picture is cleverly conveyed by careful attention to perspective and other details, which mark the difference between a finished scenic artist and a mere dabbler with the brush. The wreck of the steam yacht and the rescue of the survivors and the final breakup of the disabled vessel, is a highly exciting incident. The play is one well calculated to keep an audience intensely interested throughout.

The London theatrical managers evidently do not intend to lose Mr Kenyon, for since he has been out here he has been besieged with offers of engagements in London, some to commence no less than five years ahead. But almost incredible as it may seem, the talented comedian is booked so far ahead that he finds it almost impossible to accept any more engagements, even though so far in the future.

The children's pantomime, "The Old Woman Who Lived in a Shoe," concluded most successful seasons in Ballarat and Bendigo, and is now playing a four nights' season at Geelong.

Miss Beatrice Holloway, fully restored to health, made her appearance in Melbourne as Queen Carona in Max Maxwell's presentation of "Revenge" at The King's recently. A glad welcome was accorded this clever young actress, who wore no less than eight pretty frocks during the course of the evening.

Max Maxwell has every reason to feel proud of the successful inauguration of his dramatic season at The King's Theatre, Melbourne. Long before 7.30 the theatre approaches were blocked with a dense crowd, unable to obtain admission to witness "Revenge," one of Bland Holt's fine dramas.

Established favourites in the person of Arthur Styan, Chas. Brown, and Tom Cannam add material strength to Max Maxwell's company now playing at The King's Theatre, Melbourne, by arrangement with William Anderson. Max Maxwell is strongly supported managerially by G. O. Portus and Colin Campbell.

Max Maxwell, who is probably the youngest actor-manager in the colonies, is proving by the excellence of his production of "Revenge" at the

King's Theatre, Melbourne, that his long schooling with Bland Holt is standing him in good stead.

Maude Plunkett, Adelaide's leading amateur player, having decided to adopt the stage as a profession, has been placed in Max Maxwell's organisation. The young debutante's last performance in amateur work in Adelaide was in "John Glayde's Honour," for which she received great praise.

Miss Eugenie Duggan will not accompany the William Anderson Dramatic Company to the West. During the six weeks' tour of the company Miss Duggan will take a well-earned rest in order to be at her best on their return.

A special dramatic company is being organised by William Anderson to open at The King's Theatre, Melbourne, on Easter Saturday. A short season will be played, and the company will then journey to New Zealand, opening at Auckland on May 9th, in "The Prince and The Beggar Maid."

A record house greeted William Anderson's Dramatic Company at the Theatre Royal, Adelaide, when they opened in Nat Gould's sporting drama "The Chance of a Lifetime."

Miss Katherine Grey and her new leading man, Mr Desmond, who have just concluded a season in Auckland, will open at the Melbourne Princess's Theatre at Easter. Their opening piece will be "Paid in Full," and during the season, which will be a very brief one, it is proposed to present "Arms and the Man."

Mr J. C. Williamson, after an extended stay in England and on the Continent, returned to Australia by the "Otway" last week. One of his first considerations as soon as he settles down will be the preliminary work in connection with the Melba Grand Opera season and the H. B. Irving tour.

Since he produced "The Belle of New York" some years ago, Mr Gerard C. Ventry has helped many a crude stage aspirant up the ladder to a prominent position, and many present-day leading artists owe much of their early training to "The prince of stage producers." Such being the case, it is only natural, in view of the fact that Mr Coventry is leaving Australia for good in May, that the theatrical profession should wish to give him a hearty send-off. Accordingly a big combined benefit is being arranged to be held at Her Majesty's Theatre, Melbourne, on May 9th, and members of every company then in Melbourne will take part.

Tennyson sang that "Men may come and men may go, but I go on for ever." A modern and up-to-date version of these lines might be made out of the following:—"Mails may come and Mails may go, but 'Gibbs' goes on for ever." This idea is suggested by the fact that all the liners included in the Australian running have been out here since the big Gaiety success first began its career in Sydney. Eight months ago, according to the officers of the Orsova,



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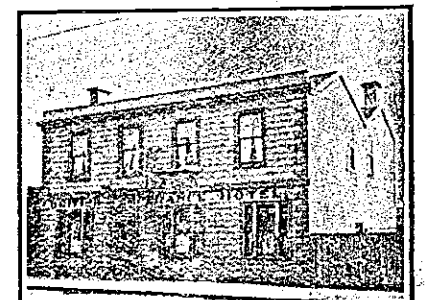
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Since she appeared in "La Danse du Vaurien" with Mr. Fred Leslie, Miss Ivy Schilling has become very popular with the play-going public, and has to pay the penalty of her popularity by signing her autograph for scores and scores of applicants who choose this method of showing their appreciation of the clever little dancer.

The Hamilton-Plimmer-Denniston Dramatic Company, fresh from a successful tour of New Zealand, are at the Sydney Palace Theatre, where they opened on Saturday, March 11 in "A Message from Mars," with Sydney's darling, ex-Baby Lizette Parkes, as Minnie, Mrs. Robert Brough as Aunt Martha, Harry Plimmer as Horace Parker, and Reynolds Denniston as the Messenger.

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PLAYS THE PUBLIC WANT.

"Melodrama has a distinct mission," claimed Mr. George Marlow, the successful producer of thrillers, in an interview with a representative of the "South Australian Advertiser," the leading Adelaide evening paper.

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"After all no human problem under the sun is new, and probably the same emotions that overwrought Monna Vanna or La Tosca are to be found in 'The Bad Girl of the Family.' The same romantic heroism that characterised Cyrano de Bergerac may possibly be revealed by 'Nick Carter, Detective.' The greatest difference between the classic drama and melodrama is the difference between the art of Whistler and Hop of 'The Bulletin.' In the former instance we get an impressionist picture of a certain phase of temperament, and in the latter a straight-out plain presentment of the case, depicted in an entertaining manner.

"For example, in Stephen Phillips' 'Herod,' which may be taken as a fair sample of a classic masterpiece, one of the characters, says:—

Bribe Cleopatra with the balsam groves of Jericho, to hold young Caesar fast with kisses, till the stabber find a way.

"Now in a melodrama the same situation might occur, but the villain would say instead something like this:—

Give Cleopatra the deeds. Get her to decoy Caesar to a quiet spot and knife the beast.

"You see, in classic drama everything is beautifully put, and nobody understands it, while in melodrama the language is chosen so as to force home the statement in such a manner that no one can possibly misunderstand it. When the great classic writers turn their attention to melodrama we may possibly get the happy medium. There is nothing in the sentiments of melodrama that anyone need be ashamed of. In fact, speaking seriously, I consider that some melodramas teach important home-truths in a far more vigorous and effective manner than all the rest of the dramas put together, and even than sermons. There is a certain class of people who are probably far more affected by the vivid pictures of vice as seen in modern melodrama than by any warnings from the pulpit. For instance, in melodrama the dangers that beset young girls are frequently portrayed with great candour, and I am sure that these living illustrations do more good than mere words. Again, the spirit of heroism and self-sacrifice that pervades melodrama, however crudely depicted, cannot fail to have a good influence

upon the average youth of the community. In discussing melodrama it must always be remembered that the motives of this class of entertainment are of the highest. The triumph of virtue; the defeat of vice is always aimed at. The indecent suggestions of certain problem plays are missing; the amorous intrigues which characterise so many modern farces are absent; and melodrama does not have to depend upon an exhibition of 'leg' for its success. It must never be forgotten that the morals of melodrama are founded on the Ten Commandments, which is more than many classic productions can boast."

MUSICAL RECIPROCITY.

The visit of the Sheffield Choir and Dr. Henry Coward to the Overseas Dominions in 1911, on Dr. Charles Harriss's Musical Festival of the Empire, is the direct outcome of a desire for closer intercourse between England and Greater Britain in the realm of music. It has already been demonstrated, by the visit of the Sheffield Choir to Canada in 1908, that the art of music-making fostered upon true principles, whilst serving to cultivate the higher sense of things that matter, can also become productive of practical results along the lines indigenous to business and commerce.

The Sheffield Choir of England is known to be the greatest chorus of mixed voices in the world. Such is conceded by the entire Press of Great Britain, Germany, and Canada, and such also is the opinion of the world's foremost living conductors and composers—Richter, Nikisch, Weingartner, Elgar, Parry, Stanford, Mackenzie, and others.

The visit of the Choir to Germany during the autumn of 1906 further accentuated the unprecedented standard of unsurpassable excellence to which the Sheffield singers have soared, leading men of music, statesmen, and Royalty being of one mind and opinion regarding their undoubted powers.

The visit of the Choir to Canada in 1908 was the greatest triumph ever accredited a musical organisation in that country. In point of attendance the largest auditoriums in every Canadian city visited by the Sheffield Choir were taxed to their utmost capacity by the thousands assembled to hear them.

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The Sheffield Musical Union was founded by Dr. Henry Coward in 1872. The choir consists of men and women representing all walks of life. The wealthy manufacturer sits and sings next the mechanic, who amongst a thousand other workmen does his bidding during working hours. Ladies of social standing blend their voices with others of the gentler sex unknown to social life, but whose equals are they when called to the baton of their leader, Dr. Coward. Rehearsals for them are frequent, as many as sixty sometimes being called in a year; and seldom is it that the full muster-roll is incomplete. Of the two hundred chosen to uphold the renown of the famous Sheffield Choir in their visit around the world, the application exceeded the total desired by three hundred and sixty. Of these two hundred specially selected, many are conductors or choruses themselves; whilst there is not amongst them a singer who is unable to read at first sight the most difficult choral music written. A long and exacting list of works, choruses, madrigals, glees and part-songs is committed to memory by the Choir—a herculean task such as perhaps no other chorus in the world is capable of. The Sheffield Choir, however, are so familiar with the standard and modern repertoire as to make this effort of memorisation to them comparatively easy of accomplishment.

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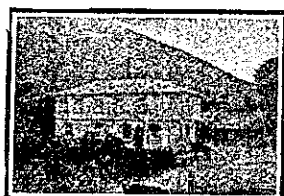
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THE COMING CAMPAIGN.

MOMENTOUS ISSUES AT STAKE.

THE NEED FOR CONCERTED AND VIGOROUS ACTION.

The series of Trade meetings and conferences that are to be held in Wellington next week are at once fraught with momentous issues, yet full of promise. Their importance is such as to justify, if that were possible, the attendance of every member of the trade in the Dominion; for whatever course of action may be decided upon, there should be a complete endorsement of the proposals that may be carried, and the heartiest of agreement between every section of the trade. The need for action, in view of the 1911 Local Option polls, is obvious. But we may be pardoned for again emphasising the fact, that the issue of those polls, depends very largely upon the attitude of the Trade itself. Hitherto, it cannot be said to have made any serious attempt to place the true position of affairs before the electors. It has made no real fight on behalf of the principles involved. To all intents and purposes it has allowed judgment to go by default, and the result is seen in the steadily increasing "No-License" vote, and the continued inroads upon the retail trade, under the operation of the Reduction issue. In 1896, out of 259,898 votes recorded at the Local Option polls, 94,555 were cast in favour of Reduction and 98,312 for No-License, the Continuance votes numbering 139,580. In 1908—that is twelve years later—with 537,003 persons on the electoral rolls, 421,953 votes were recorded, and, of these, 221,471 (more than half) were cast for "No-License," 162,562 for Reduction and 188,140 for Continuance. But, as already pointed out, judgment was practically allowed to go by default, no really concerted attempt being made to place the trade view of the momentous issues involved before the public. And the fight itself—if fight it could be called—was of such a spasmodic, and half-hearted character, as to disgust the man in the street, who dearly loves a fight, and who is largely influenced by the vigour with which it is conducted on either side.

WHAT THE VOTING SHOWS.

While the Continuance vote (as will be seen from the following table) has steadily increased, it has not advanced with anything like the rapidity that has carried the "No-License" vote to such a strong position. The results of the five Local Option polls since 1896 are as follow:—

Year.	Votes Recorded for		
	Cont'n.	Reduc.	No-License.
1896	139,580	94,555	98,312
1899	142,443	107,751	118,575
1902	148,449	132,240	151,524
1905	182,884	151,067	198,768
1908	188,140	162,562	221,471

These figures show that, while the Continuance vote has increased by rather more than 34 per cent., the No-License vote has advanced by 125 per cent. And this result is largely due to the superior organisation and fighting tactics of the "No-License," or Prohibitionist party, the supporters of which have not hesitated to dip deeply into their pockets in support of their principles. The time, money and effort—more or less voluntary—put into the "No-License" movement is remarkable, and shows a fidelity to principle, or prejudice, that is well worthy of emulation. Even the man in the street, who "cares for none of these things," is impressed by it. He sees a band of men and women, united and determined, continually moving forward, pressing every point of vantage, and stopping short at nothing that can secure the object they have at heart. He may regard them (and probably does), as fanatical in their opinions, misguided in their actions, and mistaken in their ideals. Yet he finds himself in the absence of any decisive movement on the other side, impelled to admiration of their de-

votion to what they conceive to be the claims of duty, and he is more than half persuaded that it is his duty also to vote with the zealots. In that fact, we believe, is found the true explanation of the ever increasing "No-License" vote. The great majority of the public are allowed by the apathy of the trade to see one side of the question only. It therefore becomes the duty of the trade itself to show cause—and good cause can be shown if the business is proceeded with properly—why judgment should not again be given against them, on the appeal by the "No-License" people to the electors.

A STRENUOUS CAMPAIGN.

The campaign that has to be conducted, if the trade protest against recent legislation and its proposed extinction is to be made effective, will be a strenuous one. It will necessitate the expenditure of large sums of

But it can be done, and we believe effectively, if unity of counsels prevail, and a big, determined effort is put forth by the members of the trade generally. The present is undoubtedly the time for action. The longer that action is deferred the more heavily the trade will find itself handicapped. It is folly and mere affectation to ignore the strength of the enemy, or to pooh pooh that enemy's efforts. The "No-License" party is full of life and vigour. It leaves no stone unturned to discredit the trade. Its tactics are varied and are characterised by a good deal of downright dishonest misrepresentation and calumny. To expose that sort of thing and to point out the true issues involved, in the appeal for local "No-License" and Dominion Prohibition, is only a small part of the work to which the trade must put its hand and the sooner its members are up and doing the better.

to its aid the editor of a Prohibitionist paper, in the person of the Rev. P. A. Smallfield, to "review" Professor Salmond's pamphlet, we are constrained to remark that, in the first place, the Editor of the "Herald" has blundered badly, and in the second that the evidence of an opinion, too strongly fettered by prejudice to be impartial, is so overwhelmingly present in the "review" itself, as to utterly destroy its value from the judicial or deliberative standpoint. As readers of the "L.V. Gazette," will have gathered from the "Otago Daily Times" review of Professor Salmond's very able and interesting pamphlet, republished in this journal, the whole of the questions involved have been dealt with clearly, logically, impartially and dispassionately. The pamphlet itself consists of 68 pages of matter, written, as Mr. Smallfield is pleased to admit, "in a most charming and interesting fashion." Yet Mr. Smallfield attempts to reply to Mr. Salmond's arguments in something less than a column and a half of "Herald" matter, and such apparently is the paucity of his own ideas upon the subject that he says: "With a view to greater effectiveness, I shall freely avail myself of the material and even the words of a reply to the pamphlet written by Mr. Alex. S. Adams in the "Otago Witness."

"A DANIEL COME TO JUDGMENT."

It is to be regretted that Mr. Smallfield should not have seen fit to quote the "material" and "words" that he uses from Mr. Adams' reply. Had he done so the public would then be in the happy position of being able to discriminate between the parsonic arguments on the one hand and those of the lawyer on the other. Waiving that point, however, we find Mr. Smallfield (or is it Mr. Adams?) starting his criticism with: "The arguments presented by Dr. Salmond are practically worn out," and we are further told "they are mainly those current in the later decades of last century," as also that "the pamphlet echoes the voices of the past," and then again "The antiquated objections, based upon interpretations of Scripture, the political principles of the 'laissez-faire' school, the wholesale condemnation of sumptuary laws, the bogey of the seven devils that will infallibly take possession of a community if drink be banished from it; the amazing confusion between the rights and duties of society and the rights and duties of the individual citizen; the 'personal liberty' arguments; the anarchist contention that the prohibition law will not be obeyed; the contempt for recent inquiry and conclusions of eminent scientists, sociologists, and panologists, with world-wide reputations; the depreciation of statistics, all these are there, and nothing more."

With this said, it is almost a wonder that Mr. Smallfield (or Mr. Adams?) should have found it necessary to carry his criticism of the pamphlet further. More sweeping condemnation could hardly have been passed upon it. And yet how true it is that

"Any little soul
Easily can pick a hole."

Mr. Smallfield (or Mr. Adams again) is evidently a past master in that direction.

CRITICISMS THAT FAIL.

The criticism thence out assails Professor Salmond's "Arguments from the Bible," the Professor's "dismay" at "the possible effects of the passing of prohibition," and goes on to express the opinion that "Professor Salmond has really failed to grasp the foundation principles of the prohibition movement." On the contrary, the Professor has shown, both logically and conclusively, that the movement against which he has written is "vicious in principle, and that the country is in danger of being seriously misled" by men of the Smallfield and Adams type. The nature of the criticisms which the "New Zea-



Miss LILIAN WISEMAN (Sally Smithers) and Mr THOMAS CURRAN (Sammy Snoodle) in "The Bad Girl of the Family."

THE PROFESSOR AND THE PARSON.

MR. SMALLFIELD'S REPLY TO PROFESSOR SALMOND.

AN INCONSEQUENTIAL ANSWER.

money, and the creation of a fighting fund of very considerable dimensions. Money is being spent freely and effectively on the other side, and practically the whole of the money so expended is freely and ungrudgingly given by the supporters of the "No-License" party. To be successful in the coming appeal to the people, the trade must emulate their example. We believe we are right in saying that some big proposals are to be brought before the trade in Wellington next week. It is impossible to indicate their exact character, and, even were we in a position to outline the proposals, that are to be placed before the delegates, it would be indiscreet to do so, at the present juncture. But we are sufficiently in the confidence of those who are moving in the matter, to say that a comprehensive plan of campaign will be submitted to the trade delegates at the several conferences, and that the proposals likely to be submitted, are of a far-reaching and effective character. We may go further, and say that to a very large extent the future of the trade depends upon the manner in which it receives those proposals. If action is to be made effective, it must be taken at once. The trade has "a big row to hoe"—a row that is bigger and the hoeing of which may be more difficult than any it has yet attempted.

The publication of Professor Salmond's pamphlet "Prohibition a Blunder" has opened up oceans of correspondence in the columns of the daily and weekly press, in which the Professor is placed in the public pillory, and hector, bullied, lectured, scolded and held up to ridicule at the sweet will and fancy of a little world of newspaper controversialists, that, "intoxicated with the exuberance of its own verbosity" has evidently run mad. Now-a-days, any man who has the courage of his opinions, and who is prepared to stand or fall by his principles, is in similar danger of being pilloried by the fanatical horde of "wowsers" led immoderately who are now barking at Professor Salmond. The general run of newspaper correspondents of this class need not be taken too seriously. They protest too much, shriek too loudly through the printed page, and betray a lack of reasoning powers that stamps them for what they are. But when the "New Zealand Herald" calls

land Herald" has gone out of its way to allow Mr Smallfield to publish, were anticipated by Professor Salmond, who expected "nothing but severe criticism and relentless hostility" for his outspoken remarks, and who, in the preface to his pamphlet, points out that the success of the "Prohibition movement" has silenced opposition in the assemblies and conferences of most of the churches . . . has made members of Parliament and newspapers a little afraid, so that they do little more than hint opposition, and speak of the question with bated breath and whispering humbleness." In some quarters it has become "even tyrannical; in many a district a clergyman publicly declaring his dissent would find his life made unhappy; and some regard it as even tantamount to a moral triumph that matters have come to such a pass. But," says Professor Salmond, "this only makes more urgent the duty of open speech and of fearless remonstrance on the part of those who are convinced that Prohibition is a harsh and crude measure, which cannot possibly be ultimately successful or obtain permanent hold, and who are persuaded that its temporary triumph will fill the country with turmoil, will generate discontent and bitter passion from Dan to Beersheba and land us in a quagmire of hypocrisy and fanaticism." And, with all the objections urged by Mr. Smallfield or Mr. Adams, it is pretty evident the last word rests with Professor Salmond who has common sense, reason and logic on his side.

have appreciated the comforts of the Waverley during Mr O'Connor's long and honorable connection with that famous hostelry, should not be slow in looking him up when they come to town.

The "New Zealand Herald" has hitherto enjoyed the reputation of being a fair-minded journal. The fact that it permitted the Revd. P. S. Smallfield, the Editor of the Prohibitionist "Home Journal" to review Professor Salmond's pamphlet, "Prohibition A Blunder," shows (just as straws indicate the direction of the wind) that the day in which it could be said to have had the courage of its opinions has fled. It has no opinions worth holding, except that the getting of money is the prime end of a newspaper's existence. On the face of things, it would appear to have invited Mr Smallfield to review the Salmond pamphlet with the idea of coercing the trade—always a prolific source of crime to its proprietary. The only answer to such a situation would be for every "Herald" advertiser, interested in the Trade, to withdraw his advertisement. Some people can only be reached through the pockets. The "Herald" proprietary seemingly belongs to that class. It is doubtful if there is another paper in Australasia, the Editor of which would have acted more indiscreetly than the "Herald" man has done in requesting, or permitting, a Prohibitionist Editor, to review a pamphlet aimed at the prohibition movement. But the "Herald" is so manifestly lacking in brains, that

have so far fettered hotel licensees and the public patronising their hotels, that they have come to look upon the hotels as little better than prisons, and those who use them as prisoners? Or is it merely the unconscious irony of the Census men who, in outlining the draft of the Census schedule, say iter alla, "the matters to be enumerated include the nature of the building (to distinguish an hotel from a prison), the material of which it is built," etc? As, in comparison with the number of hotels, there are very few prisons in New Zealand, it can only be assumed that the census man is having a quiet little joke at the expense of the hotelkeeper.

They all do it! The Melbourne "Age" recently published a telegram from Sydney, stating that William Sidney Leonard, a "No License" advocate and a candidate at the State elections last year, had been fined £30, in default three months imprisonment, for sly grog-selling. Frank Hadden, on a charge of aiding and abetting Leonard, was similarly fined.

Ex-Brigadier Bruntnell, of the Salvation Army, well-known both in this country and Australia as a strenuous "No-License" advocate, has resigned his connection with the New



Miss ADA GUILDFORD as Bess Moore, the "Bad Girl of the Family," opening at His Majesty's on Monday, March 27th.

TRADE TOPICS

The Auckland delegates to the Trade Conference that is to be held in Wellington next week, leave by the Main Trunk express on Sunday night. Mr J. S. Palmer, who fills the dual position of President of the New Zealand and Auckland L.V. Association has, it is reported, a full brief, and a well ordered plan of campaign to unfold at the Conference. There are big things ahead of the Trade this year. There is much to do, and not too much time to do it in. If the Trade is united and stands firmly together, victory should await it at the Option Polls next November. If it is disunited, careless, and indifferent, then it may look for and expect nothing else but defeat, and defeat that will be well merited.

Mr M. O'Connor, of the Waverley, Queen-street, takes possession of "The Thistle" Hotel at the end of the month. Visitors to Auckland, who

its Editor might well have felt the task of reviewing Professor Salmond's pamphlet was altogether beyond him. And so, poor fellow, he is not without his excuses.

Mr J. Colvin, of the Greyhound Hotel, St. Kilda, Melbourne, who is also a member of the Council of the Licensed Victuallers Association of Victoria, who has been on a holiday trip to New Zealand, was in Auckland on Tuesday. He expressed himself delighted with all that he had seen and heard in the country, except in regard to its treatment of the Trade, which he regarded as erratic and illogical, and likely to end in disaster to the tourist traffic, which he regards as a big asset. Mr Colvin was accompanied in his journeyings by Mrs Colvin, and speaks very highly of the courteous treatment he received everywhere at the hands of the Trade.

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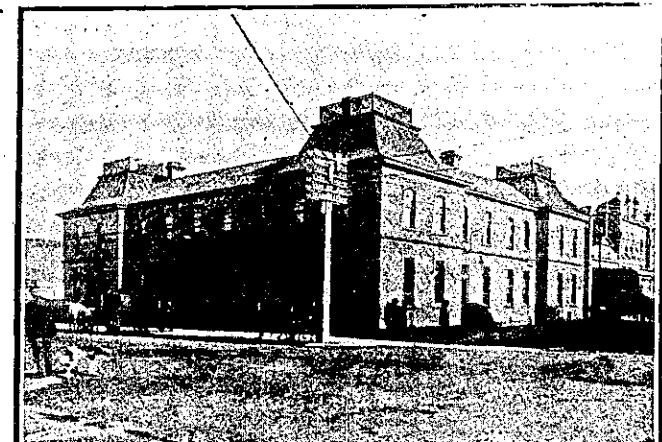
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South Wales Alliance. The cause of this further "backsliding" is not apparent beyond the fact that "Buggy B," as a Sydney paper terms him, is again in Parliament, and has entered business as an auctioneer.

A very important case involving the kainga restriction obtaining at Taumarunui, was fought out at the S.M. Court at Taumarunui on Tuesday, occupying the whole afternoon sitting. It arose from a trivial prosecution of a young man for being in possession of a little whisky in the town. The defence was set up by Mr Strang, solicitor, that since the inauguration of the borough of Taumarunui it was no longer a kainga. The only evidence called was that of Constable Maher, and the proceedings consisted of elaborate legal argument, which involved the whole legislation affecting kaingas. Mr Strang took the grounds indicated in the petition, which he drew up a short time ago, and published, regarding the abolition of kainga restriction. He urged that the jurisdiction of the Native Council should be regarded as having merged into that of the borough in the formation of the latter, and claimed that the provisions of the licensing law referred to the introduction of liquor into actual Maori houses or assemblages of houses. Mr Selwyn Mays (representing the Crown) showed that the kainga was legally constituted with definite boundaries, and that it was not a matter of rival by-laws of too conflicting authorities, but a question of actual penal law. The Magistrate (Mr F. O. B. Loughnan) took this view, and in a lengthy judgment expounded the law on the matter. The prosecution being in the nature of a test case, he fined the accused only £1 and costs.

Mr G. B. Main, who recently bought out Mr J. W. Bright's interest in the Waikato Hotel, Hamilton East, is well known to the travelling public. The Waikato Hotel is a fine, substantial-looking building, and is most pleasantly situated. The rooms are large and well-lighted, and the place is run on first-class lines. A party of visiting bowlers from Auckland made this their home while in Hamilton, and were quite pleased with their stay over the river. Mr Main formerly had the Putaruru Hotel, on the Rotorua line.

The Central Hotel, Cambridge, is, as its name implies, centrally situated. It is also a most comfortable place at which to put up, the alterations effected by the former proprietor wonderfully improving the hotel, both in appearance and in its interior arrangements and conveniences. Mr A. Thomas, who has had possession for some considerable time, runs the hotel in good style, looking well after the comfort of visitors. The commercial and sitting rooms are comfortable and cosy, whilst the bedrooms, etc., are well-furnished and are kept clean, and fresh-looking.

We learn that Mr McManaway, late of the Argyle Hotel, Hunterville, has taken over Hastie's Hotel, Feilding.

"Is there any association between bull and beer?" asked Mr Young of a witness in the Wellington Supreme Court during the hearing of a trademark case. "What association do you suggest?" asked his Honour, Mr Justice Cooper. "I suggest there is no association," replied Mr Young. "There might be some association," said his Honour, with a thoughtful smile, "because John Bull is the name given to an Englishman, and he is generally supposed to take beer as a national beverage."

At a meeting of the Napier Licensing Committee, Percy Martin, of the Criterion Hotel, was granted a conditional license to sell liquor at Napier Park on March 15th and 16th.

At Gore on Thursday, James Hamilton was fined £50 for keeping liquor for sale.

George Searle, licensee of the Clarendon Hotel, was granted permission to transfer his license to William Thomas Collins Reading.

At the Auckland Magistrate's Court on Thursday, Mr C. C. Kettle, S.M., gave judgment in the recent action in which the licensee of the Waitemata Hotel (Mr J. Endean) was proceeded against by the Inspector of Awards for a breach of section 60 of the Industrial and Conciliation Act. It was alleged that a barman in the employ of the defendant was dismissed in consequence of his having made a complaint to the secretary of the Hotel and Restaurant Employees' Union in regard to the number of hours he worked. The evidence given at the last hearing was briefly that the barman (Richard Underdown) made a complaint to the union secretary that he worked some "hours" overtime without extra pay. He admitted he had never complained to his employer. The magistrate said the evidence did not satisfy him that overtime was due to Underdown. The defendant's true reason he (Mr Kettle) thought for dismissing the man was because he did not first discuss the question of overtime with him before applying to the union secretary. Therefore he was not prepared to find that Underdown was dismissed merely because he was entitled to the benefits of the award. If Underdown was advised that his dismissal was without sufficient cause, the Courts were open to him, and he was probably still entitled to claims in the usual way. If it was thought that defendant had committed a breach of the award, it was probably still open to the union inspector to charge him with such breach. In that case, however, he (Mr Kettle) was dealing with an alleged breach of section 60 of the Act, and not with an infringement of the award. The information would therefore be dismissed.

The regulations concerning the registration of barmaids under the Licensing Amendment Act of last year were gazetted on Thursday night, but it is understood an error has been made in the notification, and that fresh regulations will be gazetted in due course. Applications for registration as barmaids must be sent to the Secretary for Labour by June 1, 1911.

In dismissing an information at Gisborne brought against a hotelkeeper for failing to provide a meal to a traveller who arrived at 8.30 p.m., the Magistrate said that travellers arriving between meals were not to expect a hot set meal, although licensees should have something at hand to eat. It was impossible to expect cooks at country hotels to be standing by to attend on persons arriving at any outside hour. Three witnesses had stated that defendant had offered "a cold snack," and that, he thought, was all the man could expect under the circumstances.

At the Magistrate's Court, Paeroa, Joseph McSheen, of Karangahake, was fined £50 and £3 18s costs for keeping liquor for sale and with selling liquor.

More pin-pricks! At the Magistrate's Court, held at Waihi last week, John Reid and Company, wine and spirit merchants of Auckland, were fined £1 and costs for a breach of the Licensing Act by failing to notify the clerk of the court at Waihi in writing of a consignment of whisky sent into the no-license district of Ohinemuri. The representative of the firm explained that the notice had been posted, but a delay had occurred owing to the Christmas vacation.

The holder of a bottle license, which will be extinguished by the legislation of last session, applied to the Nelson Court on Tuesday for the issue of a wholesale license. It was objected to on the grounds that the new license would increase the number of licenses in the district, but the committee granted the application on the chairman's casting vote.



A new use (says the "Wairarapa Times") has been found for the Masterton lock-up. In the bibulous days of the past its three cells were often taxed to their utmost to accommodate the frequent visitors. Since the advent of no-license, however, the police find time drag heavily and the building is in a chronic state of disuse. It seemed a pity that so popular an institution should be given over to the use of the spiders and an occasional mouse. But the difficulty has been got over at last, and now the cells are used as a store-room for liquor that is under ban of confiscation. It is stated that there is already quite a supply there, and there is talk of a raid by members of the "Droppers' Union"—the enterprising gentlemen who cater for an illicit thirst by "dropping" certain well-corked bottles in pre-arranged places.

On November 25, Frederick James Bright, a settler, at Eketahuna, being desirous of obtaining a transfer of his license of the Telegraph Hotel, Otaki, applied for and was refused a certificate of fitness to hold such a license by Mr A. D. Thomson, S.M. The refusal was based on the grounds that the applicant's wife did not intend to go and reside with him at the hotel, and that he (the stipendiary magistrate) had made it a rule to refuse a certificate of fitness, except in exceptional circumstances, to married men whose wives would not be resident at the hotel. Bright brought an action against the magistrate, asking the Supreme Court to issue a mandamus ordering the defendant to issue the necessary certificate, and last week His Honor, Mr Justice Cooper, delivered reserved judgment, dismissing the motion, with costs.

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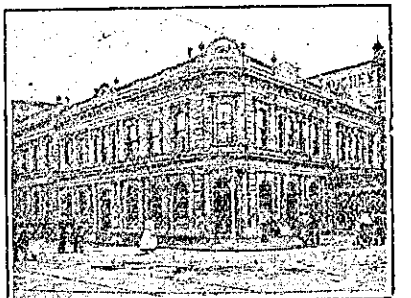
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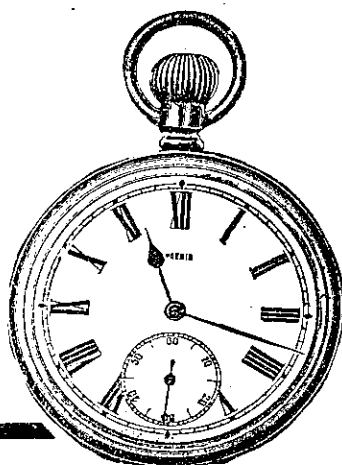
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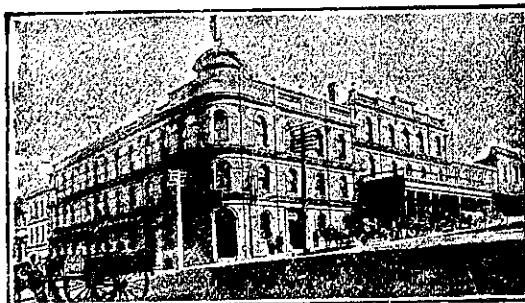
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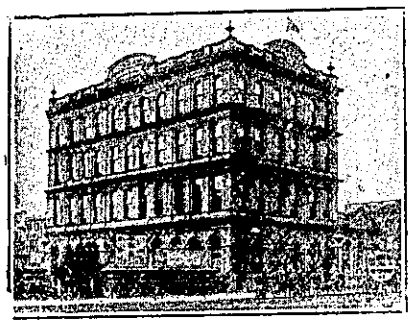


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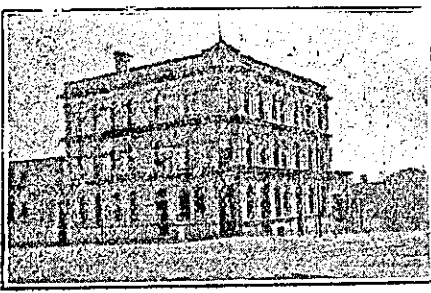
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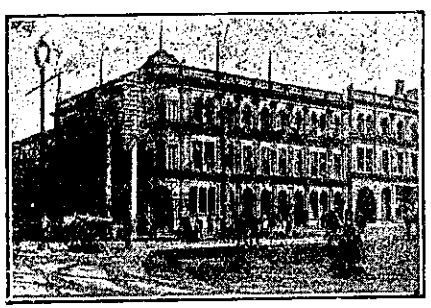
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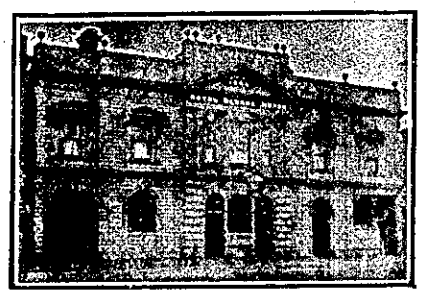
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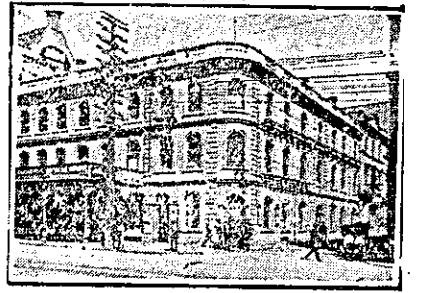
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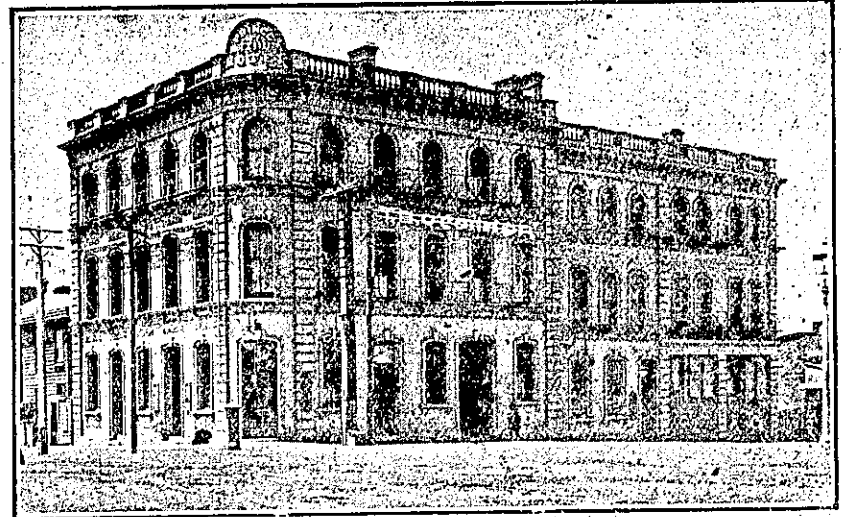


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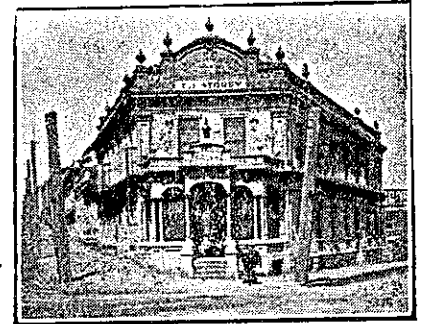
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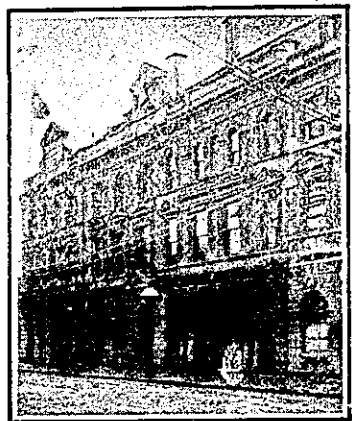
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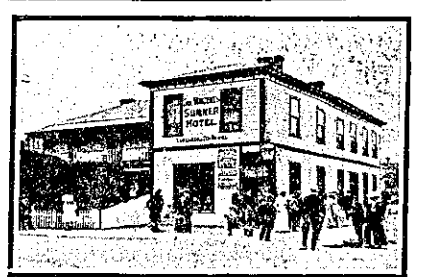
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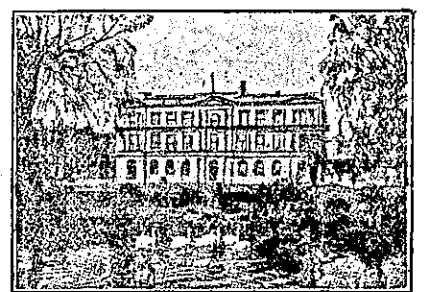


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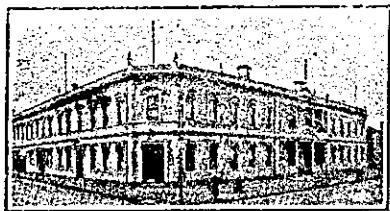
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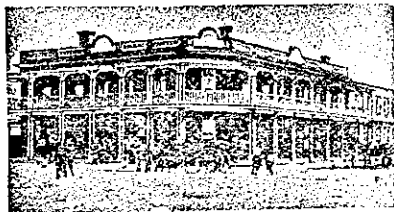
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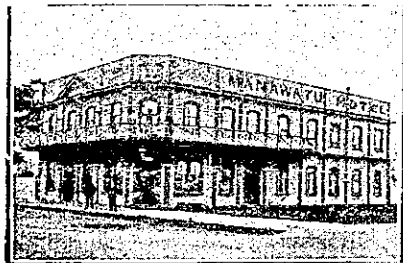
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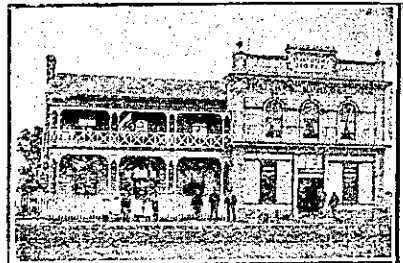


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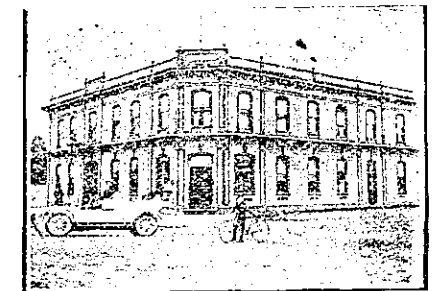
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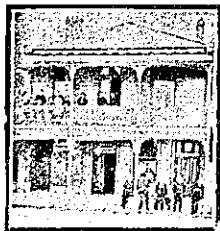
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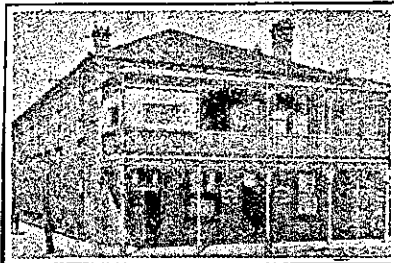
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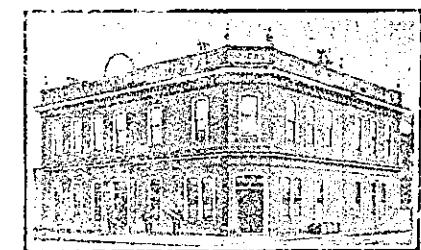
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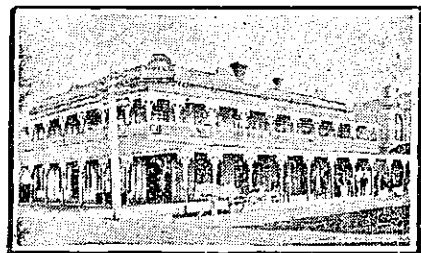
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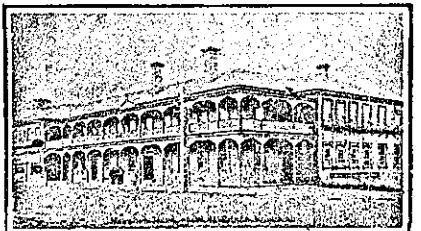
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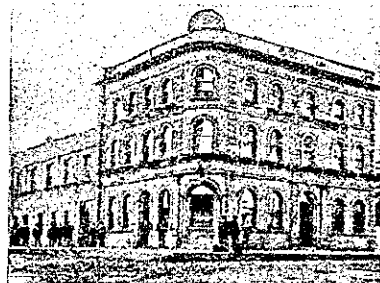
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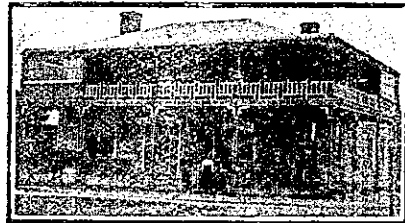
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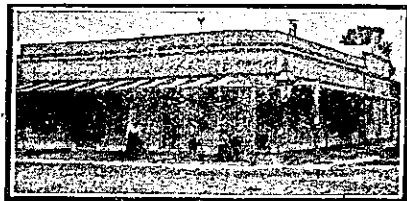
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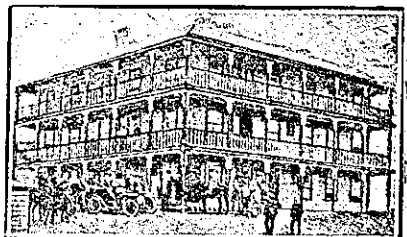
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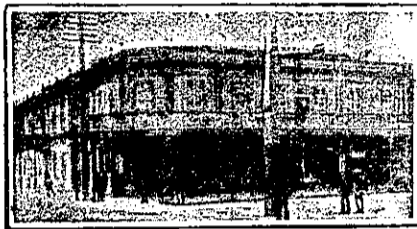
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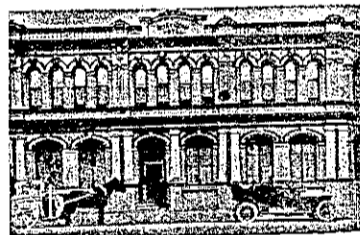
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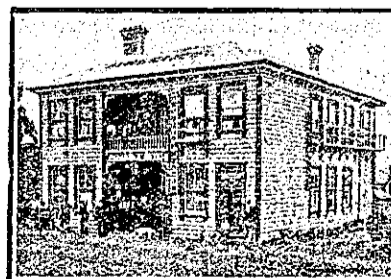
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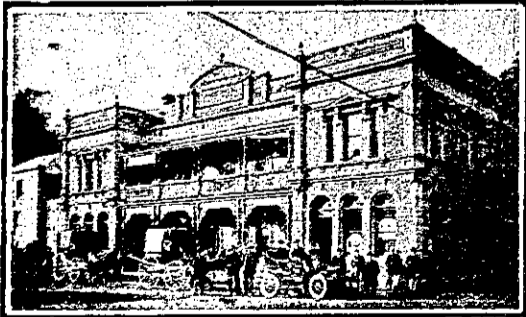
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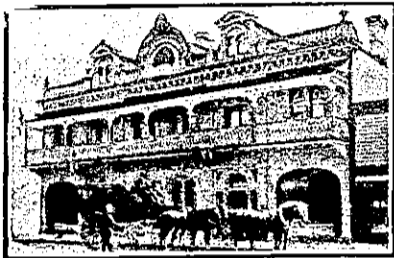
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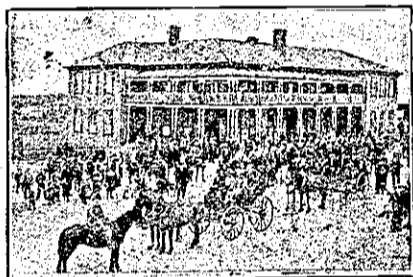
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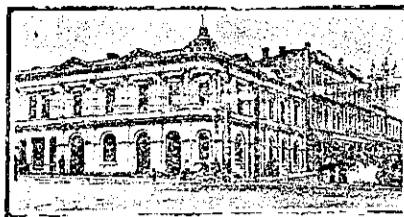
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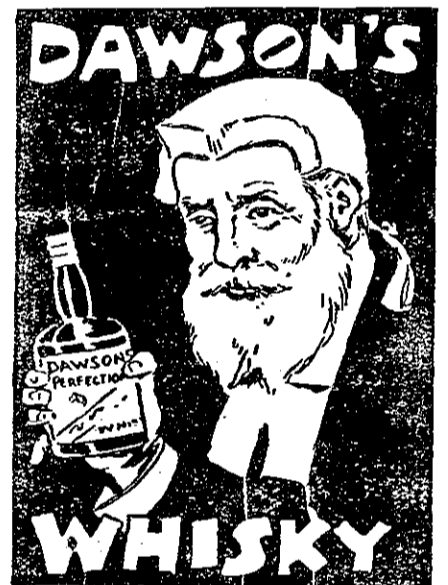
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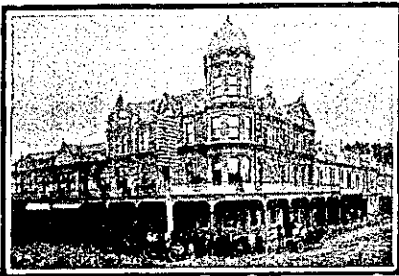
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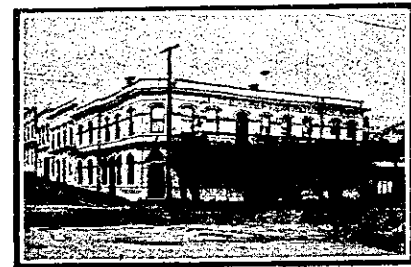


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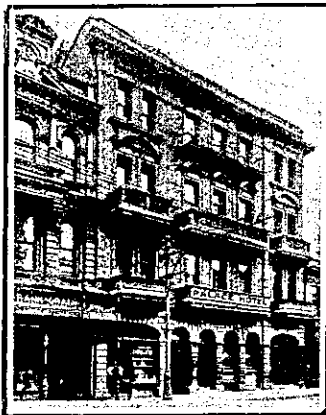
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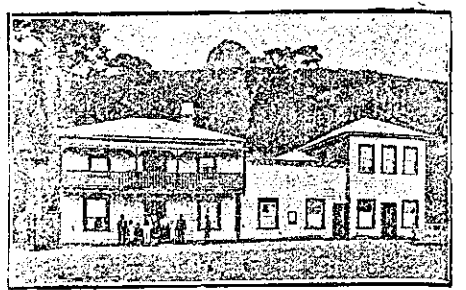
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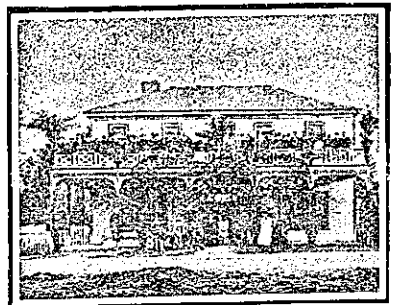
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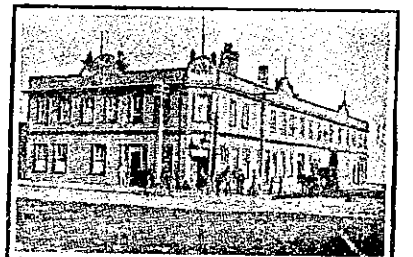


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