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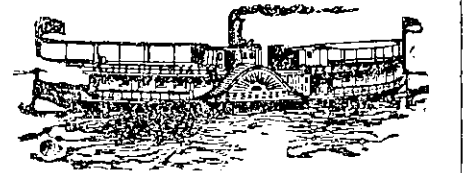
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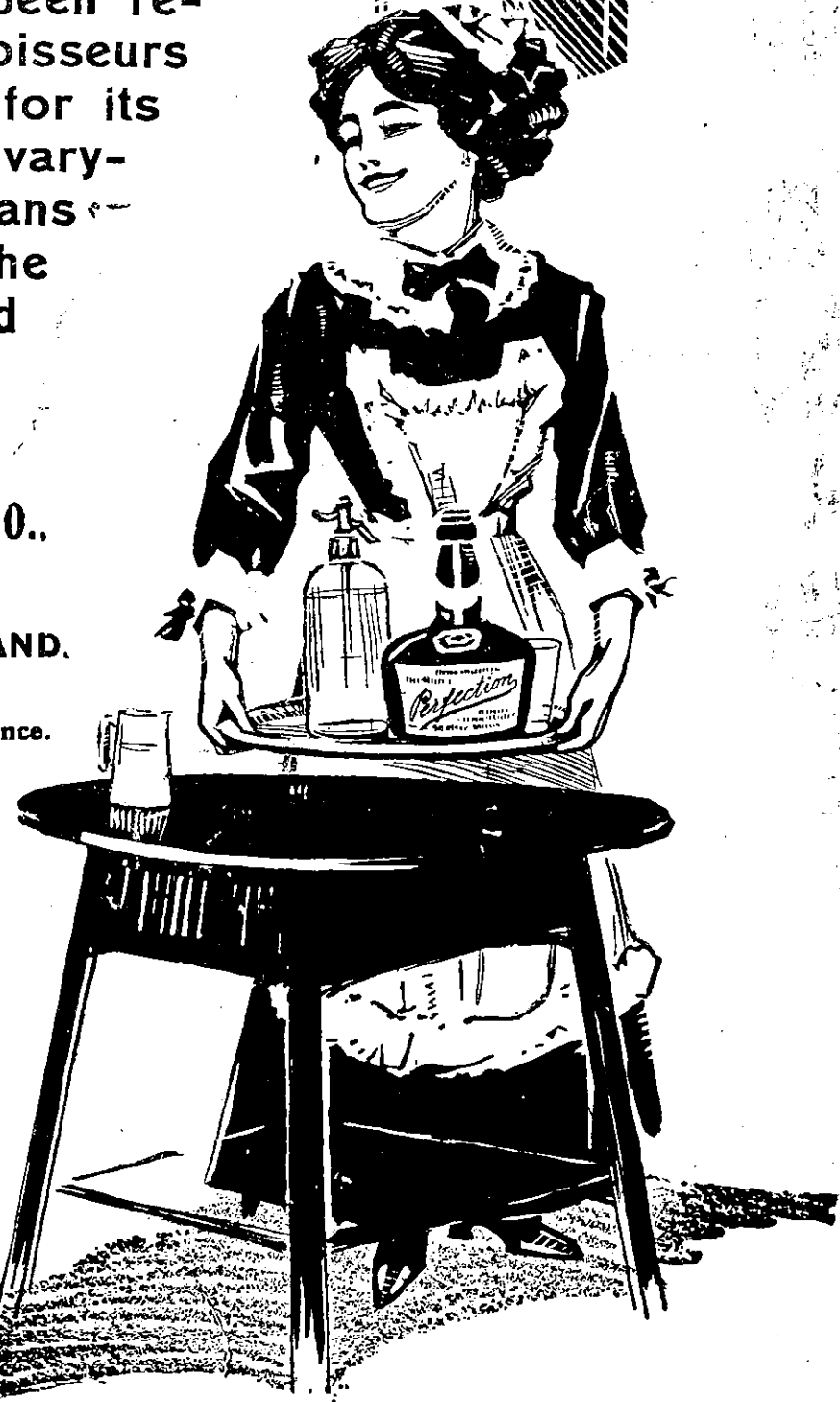
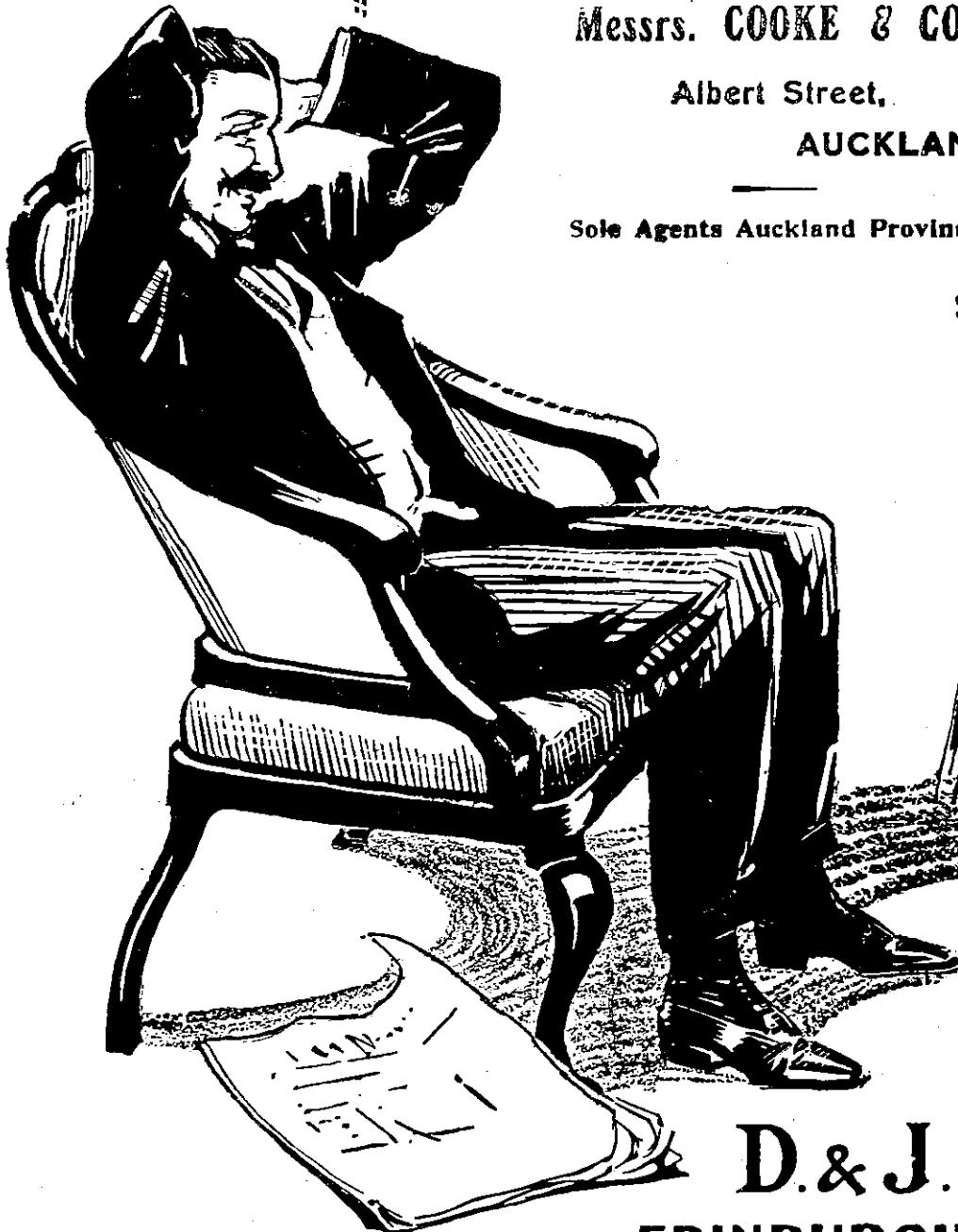


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2. MAIDEN HACK RACE of 50sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs from stake. For horses that have never won a race of any description. Weight, 9.0. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 2sovs. Four furlongs.
3. FLYING HANDICAP of 90sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs from stake. Winner of any flat race after declaration of weights to carry 5lb penalty. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 2sovs. Six furlongs.
4. GISBORNE PARK STEEPLECHASE HANDICAP of 200sovs; second horse to receive 25sovs, and third horse 15sovs from stake. Winner of any steeplechase after declaration of weights to carry 7lb penalty. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 3sovs. About three miles.
5. HACK FLAT HANDICAP of 60sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs from stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1sov. Seven furlongs.
6. TRAMWAY STEEPLECHASE HANDICAP of 100sovs; second horse to receive 15sovs, and third horse 5 sovs from stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 2sovs. Two miles.
7. WINTER OATS HANDICAP of 100 sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs from stake. Winner of any flat race after declaration of weights to carry 5lb penalty. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 2sovs. One mile and a-quarter.

SECOND DAY,  
FRIDAY, 5th JULY, 1912.  
(To start at 11.30 a.m.)

1. SECOND HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 100sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs, and third horse 5 sovs from stake. Over eight flights of hurdles. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 2sovs. Two miles.
2. MAIDEN HACK HANDICAP of 50 sovs; second horse to receive 5sovs from stake. For horses that have never won a race except winner of Maiden Hack Race (first day), which shall be eligible. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 2sovs. Five furlongs.
3. WAIKANAE HANDICAP of 50sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs from stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 2sovs. Seven furlongs.
4. TE HAPARA STEEPLECHASE HANDICAP of 150sovs; second horse to receive 20sovs, and third horse 10 sovs from stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 2½sovs. About two miles and a-half.
5. SECOND HACK FLAT HANDICAP of 60sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs from stake. Nomination 1 sov, acceptance 1sov. Six furlongs.
6. TURANGANUI HACK STEEPLECHASE HANDICAP of 100sovs; second horse to receive 15sovs, and third horse 5sovs from stake. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 2sovs. Two miles.
7. FAREWELL HANDICAP of 80sovs; second horse to receive 10sovs from stake. Winner of Waikanae Handicap to carry 5lb penalty. Nomination 1sov, acceptance 1½sovs. One mile.

**DATES OF NOMINATIONS, WEIGHTS AND ACCEPTANCES.**

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 12th, 1912.  
NOMINATIONS for all events close at 9 o'clock p.m.

TUESDAY, JUNE 18th, 1912.  
WEIGHTS declared for First Day's Handicaps.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 26th, 1912.  
ACCEPTANCES for the whole of the First Day Events close at 9 p.m.

THURSDAY, JULY 4th, 1912.  
(Night of First Day's Races.)  
WEIGHTS for Second Day's Handicaps declared at 8 p.m.

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Mr H. R. Hamer, a crack Victorian cueist, and a member of the committee of the Amateur Billiard Association, recently went to England for a trip, and in a letter to the president of the A.B.A. of Victoria, had some interesting remarks to make concerning the game in the Old Country. The following are a few of his remarks:—"I called on Mr Sydenham Dixon, President of the British Billiard Association, soon after I got to London early, and had a chat with him. I send you a report of the trial of an action in which Mr Dixon and his committee were very keenly interested, and in which Mr Lonsdale tried to raise the point of which we have heard in Melbourne—viz., that it was not right to alter the terms of a competition after it had been running some time. (Mr Lonsdale had been deprived of his amateur status by the Billiard Association for giving an exhibition with Stevenson, the champion, without having obtained the permission of the Billiard Association). As it happens, Alverstone, L.C.J., ruled that contention out pretty promptly, and in the event, as you will see, Lonsdale lost the action, which ought never to have been brought. The Billiard Association has since reinstated all the men who were suspended for playing without permits. It is interesting to note that the Association, apparently rightly, claims the power to suspend amateurs, whether members of the Association or not. I went to see one of the games in the London qualifying rounds, and it was just as bad as the worst of ours, and most of the games were much the same, judging from the reports. Breaks of 50 extremely rare, and the play dismally slow. These remarks, however, don't apply to the game for the championship of England, which I see has just been played at Bradford, and has been won by Verr; on the second day he averaged, I think, 29 and 35, and made several breaks well over 100. The champions of England, Scotland, Wales, and Ireland are to play off for the championship of Great Britain in Edinburgh. The championship is open to anyone, whether a member of the Billiard Association or not. The holder has to stand out of the preliminary rounds, but there has been great discussion about a similar condition in tennis. I find that the method adopted here is the ordinary knock-out tournament, and that Mr Dixon avowedly arranges the heats so as to give the best men every opportunity of not meeting until the final, and that in the final play-off for the championship he does exactly the same thing. You will remember we did this one year, and that it was dropped afterwards. The Association has also lately finished what Mr Dixon regards as a very successful amateur handicap. He claims to have sufficient knowledge of all the entries to be able to frame the handicap himself. You, of course, know Mr Dixon better than I do, but it strikes me that it would not be wise to do a thing just because he adopts that method. For instance, he told me that he would rather play with the worst set of ivory balls than with the best set of composition, which may be loyalty, but certainly is not sense. As to rules, both Mr Dixon and Mr Thorn, the Secretary, admitted that the change in the rule as to the balls touching was made to avoid difficulty as to the anchor cannons, in which a man could, of course, make the cannon off the ball that his own ball was not touching; but now that the rule had been altered to prevent more than 25 ball-to-ball cannons, there was no reason for not going back to the rule as first altered—that is to say, making the man play on from the position in which he is left, and not spotting the ball, as required by the present rule. The committee appears to have had a good deal of discussion as to whether or not hotelkeepers owning billiard tables were eligible as amateurs, and have come to the conclusion, with a good deal of hesitation, to allow them to play. I could not get Mr Dixon to admit that the Billiards Control Club rule as to fouls

was an improvement on his complicated set of penalties; but the B.C.C. rules seem to be those universally played under by professionals, and I think they are much better on this point. They certainly in operation keep the game much more open. I have seen practically all the professionals playing, and the man who seems to have the best future is a youngster named Tom Newman, who, if he keeps steady, has a good chance of being the champion in a very short time."

**UNIFORMITY OF RACING RULES.**

The preamble of the Australian Rules of Racing, which become uniform throughout the States of the Commonwealth on November 12 next, reads: "In order, as far as possible, to have certain uniform rules of racing throughout Australia, the Australian Jockey Club, the Victoria Racing Club, the South Australian Jockey Club, the Queensland Turf Club, the North Queensland Racing Association, the Western Australian Turf Club, the Tasmanian Racing Club, and the Tasmanian Turf Club, have agreed to adopt these rules so far as they can be applied to the management, control, conduct of racing, and persons connected therewith, in the several States, or parts of States, in the Commonwealth of Australia, on which the said clubs, respectively, conduct, manage, and carry on horse-racing, and in which States, or parts, they are the controlling bodies."

The only reservation is that any rules repugnant to or inconsistent with these rules shall be annulled as from that day, but such annulment shall not (a) affect the previous operation of any rule so annulled, or anything duly done or suffered thereunder; or (b) affect any right, privilege, obligation, or liability acquired, accrued, or incurred under any rule so annulled; or (c) affect any penalty or disqualification incurred in respect to any offence committed against any rule so annulled; or (d) affect any investigation, proceeding, or remedy in respect of any such right, privilege, obligation, liability, or penalty as aforesaid.

The rules apply to all races held under the management, control, or direction of a principal club, and shall, together with such rules (not being repugnant to or inconsistent with these rules) as may from time to time be made by the "principal club or clubs" in each State of the Commonwealth; be read and construed as the rules of the "principal club or clubs" in such State racing under them, and to all races held under the management of any registered club, and to all race meetings registered by a principal club.

In several instances rules may be made by a principal club to suit local conditions; for instance, in Western Australia the stipendiary stewards have full control of all race meetings, while in New South Wales the duties of the stipendiary stewards do not extend to the race meetings of the Australian Jockey Club, and which stewards appointed from the members of the committee control.

Hitherto the running of races in heats was prohibited, but in future, when it may be deemed necessary for the prevention of accidents, the committee has power to run a race in heats.

Another rule in which the committee of a principal club has discretionary powers is that relating to the racing of two-year-olds. In New South Wales the governing body prevents two-year-olds from taking part in a race before the 1st of October, whereas in South Australia juveniles can run in races from the commencement of the season.

A change has been made with regard to the status of horses disqualified for interference in a race. Hitherto, if an objection to a horse that had won was upheld, that horse was debarred from any benefit accruing from the race, but the new rule provides that the stewards may, if they think fit, place the horse immediately after any horse, whose chance has, in the opinion of the stewards, been interfered with. Thus, in the case of two horses being well clear of the field, and any interference between the pair would not affect those behind them, the stewards may give the disqualified horse second place. (The codified rules have yet to receive the sanction of the members of the Australian Jockey Club).

## GRUESOME GAMBLING.

A craving for the eccentric and phenomenal is evidenced in many of the wagers in which our forefathers indulged. In the reckless, hard-drinking days of the Eighteenth Century all kinds of wagers were made, says the "Weekly Telegraph." There is a true story concerning Heidegger, Master of the Revels to George II., whose ugliness, it was said, could not be surpassed. Wagers were made on the point. After the slums of London had been searched from one end to another, an old woman was found who seemed to be more ugly than the Master of the Revels. The judges were reluctantly bound to admit that Heidegger had met his match, until it was suggested that he should put on the old woman's bonnet. But this caused him to appear so much uglier than the old woman that he was unanimously declared to be the champion of extreme ugliness.

Nothing was too trivial—or too serious—for betting in these days. A famous musician used to tell a strange story of a wager which he averred he had really witnessed whilst on a visit to London. One day as he was walking across London Bridge a poor wretch jumped up on to the parapet and leapt down into the river. There was at once a rush of eager spectators, and a voice shouted, "I'll bet he drowns!"

"Two to one he'll swim ashore!"

"Done!"

Meanwhile the musician had hastened to get a boat, and was rowing with a waterman to the rescue of the unhappy creature. As they reached him there was a cry, "Leave him alone—there's a bet on!" The waterman, thinking that the man was swimming for a wager, did not make any further attempt to save him, and the drowning man sank, to rise no more.

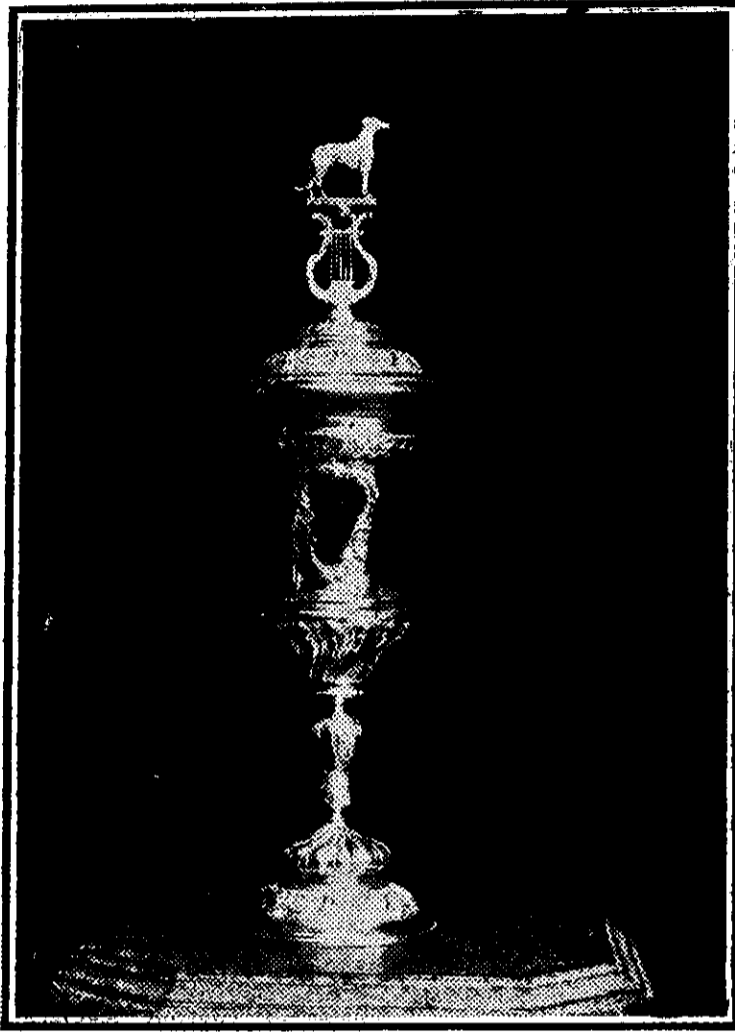
On another occasion a man dropped down at the door of a famous London club, and was immediately carried into the house. Was he dead or not? Betting commenced, and the odds were taken for and against. Some, who had staked hundreds on the man being dead, protested when

their opponents desired to bleed the unconscious object of these wagers. To use a lance, they argued, would affect the fairness of the bet. And thus the solitary chance of the individual perhaps regaining consciousness and life again was frittered away in this vapid and foolish manner.

In order to decide a wager, one night, after a number of boisterous young men had been dining less wisely than well, one of them in a

fit of bravado, consented to enter at midnight the vault of a church, and, in proof of his having done so, to stick a fork into a coffin which had been recently deposited there. This he succeeded in accomplishing, and was about to return triumphantly, when he found himself caught. He was so overcome with terror that he fell into a swoon, and was discovered in that condition by his companions, who, being alarmed at his absence, had come out to look for him. The

fork which he had stuck into the coffin had caught hold of his long overcoat, and this sudden terror had as nearly as possible proved fatal.

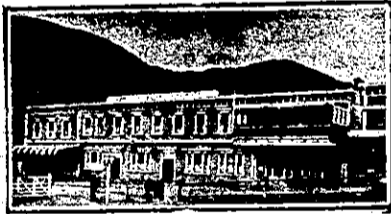


THE WATERLOO CUP,

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When "The Chance of a Lifetime" was revived last month at the King's Theatre, Melbourne, under the direction of William Anderson, the opening night saw the usual measure of excitement behind the scenes, for everybody concerned was bent upon doing full justice to the task in hand. There was one member of the cast, however, upon whom the infection of excitement made no effect whatever. She stood unperturbed and apparently indifferent to all that was going on around, and waited for her cue quietly and without any display of interest. That member of the cast was the thoroughbred mare, Trixie, whose stair-climbing feat, followed by a walk along a narrow gangway 20 feet from the floor, was one of the most interesting features of an exciting play. Trixie is an equine aristocrat in every respect, and her appearance affords no contradiction to her pedigree.

One afternoon a trio of Hindus looked in at the stage door of the Theatre Royal, Melbourne, while the matinee was on, and gazed at the procession of Orientals inside with interest bordering on fascination. A subdued discussion then took place between the Hindus, who presently asked whether "Sahib Asche" would allow them to have a look around. They explained that they had travelled widely in the East, and had formerly been in the Bengal Lancers. Word was sent to Mr Asche in his dressing-room, who consented to the request, and the turbaned visitors were conducted behind the scenes. They watched everything with marked interest, and waited until the conclusion of the performance, when they thanked Mr Asche and said that they were surprised at the correctness of everything in the production. "Even the salaams," said the spokesman of the party, "are quite right as they should be." The next day Mr Asche received a memento of the visit of the Hindus in the form of a black opal pin, accompanied by a message expressing their gratitude and admiration.



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# THE CLUBMAN.

## DEATH OF THE "FATHER OF AUCKLAND."

Sir John Logan Campbell is dead. Auckland's greatest benefactor has paid his debt to Nature after a long, faithful and honourable life. His demise has cast a shadow of gloom over the beautiful city he played a leading part in founding. His memory will remain as green as the verdant slopes of One Tree Hill, where the "Father of Auckland" has been buried. There on the summit of the stately hill, overlooking the Queen City of the South, will be raised a memorial that may serve at once as a lasting tribute to an estimable man and a monument to inspire the highest ideals of citizenship in future generations of Aucklanders.

The name Campbell will ever remain a byword for those worthy traits of character that prompt men to exert their best energies and steadfastly work for the common weal, without thought of personal gain or self-aggrandisement. Sir John received his grandest reward for his beneficent services to his fellowmen when he gained the universal goodwill and esteem of all sections of the community. Other honours came to him, but none so deeply impressed the recipient as did the proud knowledge that he was held in universal esteem by the colonists who arrived after him on the shores of the Waitemata and are carrying on the noble work of building a great city on the superstructure erected by the early pioneers, of which he was a noted craftsman. In the circumstances was it any wonder Sir John Logan Campbell was affectionately known as the "Father of Auckland."

To give a detailed biography of the late Sir John Logan Campbell is outside the scope of this journal; besides the daily press has fully apprised the public of the interesting career, munificent works and noble attributes of the departed citizen. We can only add our humble tribute to the memory of one whose life affords so worthy an example of a generous, public-spirited, tolerant and far-seeing man, whose chiefest aim was to provide for the rising generations free scope to develop their bodies and train their minds on the lines that make true sportsmen, because such, after all, make the most desirable citizens. His magnificent gift of Cornwall Park to the Dominion affords the best testimony to the fact that he wished the unborn citizens of this fair country to enjoy to the full those blessings of Nature that allow rich and poor alike perfect freedom to follow their sports and pastimes.

In years to come, when Auckland has grown to be a populous city, the generosity and foresight of Sir John Logan Campbell, in presenting Cornwall Park to the people will be a priceless possession. For this reason it is most fitting that the mortal remains of the benefactor should find a resting place on the summit of the hill overlooking Auckland's future playground. The heritage will tend to stimulate the young to high ideals of citizenship, stir the old to unselfish efforts, and give the masses inspiration that must tend to lift humanity above the commonplace meanness of ordinary life.

The other evening "The Clubman" had a quaint experience, which certainly had its humorous side. In response to a personal invitation from a member of the Auckland Arts and Crafts Club I attended an exhibition held to initiate the first monthly gathering of the club. After a short space a sour-visaged individual with shifty eyes, lank hair, a ferret-like nose, and drooping mouth, whose elongated, angular frame was clothed in ill-fitting evening attire, stalked up to me and demanding in an insolent tone: "Have you an invitation to be here?" I expressed my resentment by asking: "What the devil has that got to do with you?" The reply came back arrogantly: "I'm running this show." I was quite unprepared for this shock, because I had naturally supposed that my acceptance of an invitation kindly extended to me by a member of the committee did not mean that I was to attend a show "run" by an insolent potentate. I

tended to the members, who will have to live down the indiscretions of a tactless clown. I am not surprised an apology has not been tendered by this individual for his reprehensible behaviour, although I have accepted with full appreciation the ample apologies of members of the club, who deeply resent the boorishness of one who knows no better.

I have found it necessary in the discharge of a duty I owe my readers to repeatedly admonish and expose the duplicity of this fellow; but, contrary to his belief, I harbour no personal animus against him for the simple reason that by nature and temperament he is too small to worry about, while his lack of manners is more his misfortune than his fault. To show my sympathy with the weak I would counsel this delinquent to occupy his spare time in making himself familiar with the first principles of "How to Behave

race the abolition of the bookmakers and the reduction of totalisator permits will not deter them.

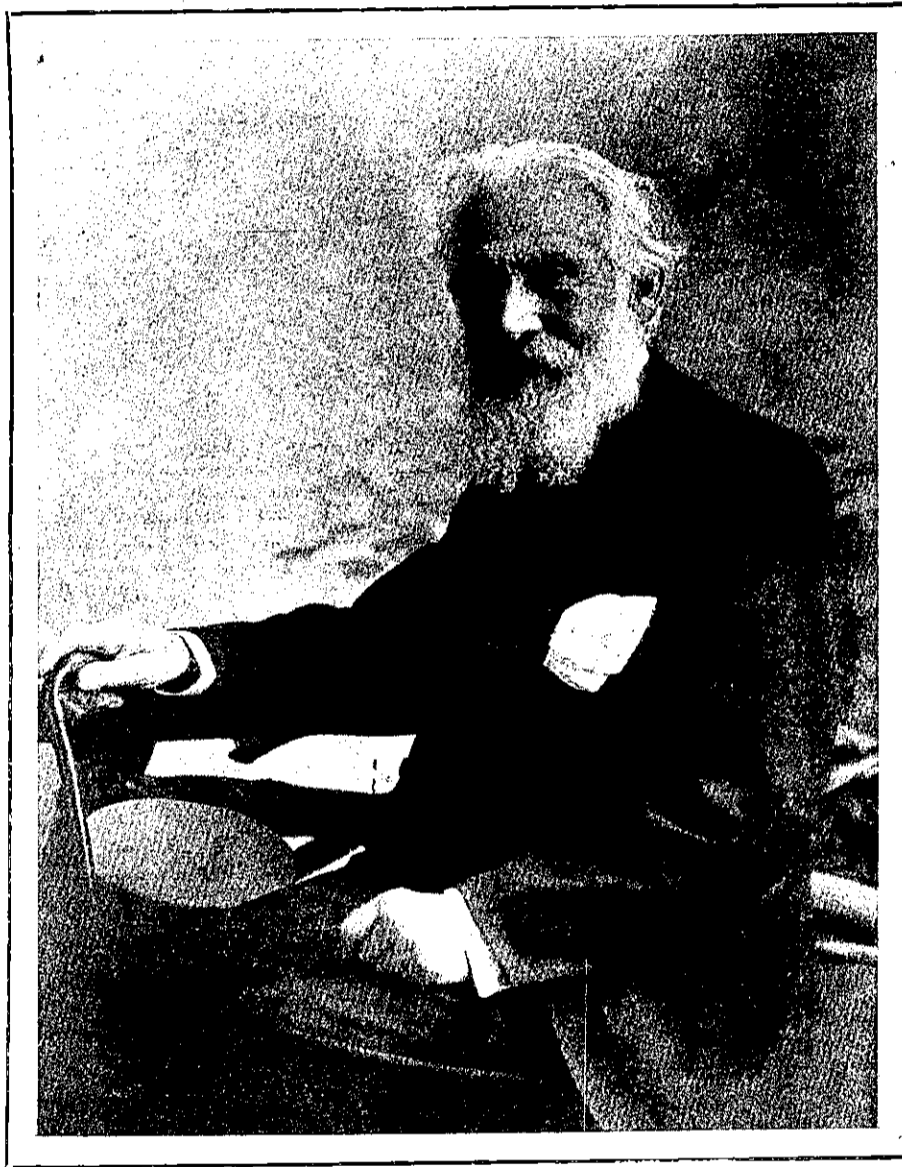
In a memorandum sent to the Totalisator Minister, the wowsers-bosses in Wellington said:—"The anti-gambling leagues of this land view with much apprehension the attempts that are being made by constant deputations to secure an increase in the number of the race days sanctioned for this Dominion. The slight reduction effected by the recent Act by no means met the urgency of the claim for reform. Gambling in this land is assuming such large proportions that it threatens the commercial stability as well as the moral integrity of the people. The country suffers not only from a licensed totalisator, but also from an unlicensed and (in the present condition of legislation) an irrepressible horde of bookmakers. . . . There are, we assure you, in this land great numbers of people who regard the gambling evil and the existing legislation regarding it with the utmost apprehension. We do not express any opinion as to the justice of the division by the recent Commission of the permits among existing clubs, nor do we express any hostility to a rearrangement of permits on the basis of the present number of race days, but we assure you that any proposal to increase, by however small a number, the race days allowed by the last Act, will be met by an agitation and by a storm of protest that will be felt throughout the land."

It is worthy of note that our wowsers friends on this occasion are not directly attacking the totalisator, but the legislation they themselves promoted. The Gaming Act of 1910, was introduced by a spineless Government, pandering to the dictates of a loud-voiced agitation by a section of extremists. The statute was so slovenly drafted that it has failed ignominiously. Even in the above memorandum this is admitted, because it was claimed at the time that the primary object of the Act was to check gambling—not betting—and now the wowsers trot out one of their set phrases,—which by the way is becoming quite threadbare—and say: "Gambling in the land is assuming such large proportions that it threatens the commercial stability (etcetera ad libitum)."

Yankee devices are finding greater vogue in this country every year. Some of them are clever and time-savers; they are being fully utilised by our men of business. Some of them only create an idea of cuteness to the unsophisticated without conferring the benefits so extravagantly claimed for them; they are bought up with avidity by Government Departments. The loan money we get from Uncle Cohen in London we hand over to Uncle Sam in New York and get in return what the cute Yankee "drummer" likes to dump here. That our Cabinet Ministers tell us is, spending money reproductively.

The latest "clever contrivance" has been introduced into Postmaster-General Ell's department, and takes the form of cumbersome registers to tell the good people who send telegrams the cost of their wires—as though they wouldn't know when they shell the coin out of their pockets! Or is it to prevent telegraph clerks from using the money for gambling? Surely Ell's "edict" to the Service on gambling should be enough to make a saint of every employee in our Post and Telegraph Department. Perhaps Minister Ell does not know that the tinkle of the register bell is likely to prove an incentive to gambling because there is nothing it resembles more than the fascinating tote bell. And, of course, any barmaid can tell Mr Ell that the cash register will not stop "polling."

Miss Violet Vanbrugh says that in stage attire white muslin, black velvet, and a little ingenuity go a long way. The classical dancers must wonder why the muslin and the velvet are dragged in.



THE LATE SIR JOHN LOGAN CAMPBELL.  
Born Nov., 1817, died June, 1912.

[Schmidt Studios, photo.]

could only remark caustically that in the circumstances I exceedingly regretted being at such a function as the uninvited guest of an insufferable mountebank, who claimed the exhibition as "my show." Doubtless he fully convinced himself that he was "the only toad in the puddle," and I did not wish to hinder him splashing to his heart's content; although, of course, I had my own ideas as to his "sovereign rights." I retired, knowing that in the fulness of time the potentate would find his true level.

The incident was regrettable, because the new club has many estimable and genial people associated with it, with laudable objects to achieve. Seeing, however, that the members allowed themselves to be dominated by such an ill-mannered fellow—which is more than doubtful—does not augur well for its future welfare. As to the individual himself. I have known him for quite a while, but have never been able to discover any of those attributes that go to popularise any organisation he has been connected with, and, therefore, instead of feeling any personal ill-will against the Arts and Crafts Club my sympathies are ex-

posed to the members, who will have to live down the indiscretions of a tactless clown. I am not surprised an apology has not been tendered by this individual for his reprehensible behaviour, although I have accepted with full appreciation the ample apologies of members of the club, who deeply resent the boorishness of one who knows no better.

The Wowsers has arisen in all his wrath once more and threatens "a storm of protest that will be felt throughout the land," because our Totalisator Minister has suggested that Parliament should grant a score more totalisator permits so as to satisfy the legitimate demands of a number of country racing clubs that were deprived of their rights as a result of the last wowsers crusade. On that occasion the wowsers declared if the number of racing days were reduced and bookmakers were done away with the alleged gambling spirit of the New Zealander would be curbed. This has been proved to be without the slightest foundation in fact; indeed since the passing of the last Gaming Act the totalisator returns have increased very considerably, which goes to show that the people of this Dominion will not tolerate their liberties to be curtailed, and if they wish to have a bet on the result of a horse

# RACING.

## RACING CALENDAR.

SEASON 1911-12.

### FIXTURES.

July 4 and 5—Gisborne R.C. Steeplechase  
July 17 and 20—Wellington R.C. Winter  
Aug. 13, 15, and 17—Canterbury J.C. National

### NOMINATIONS.

June 25—Canterbury J.C. National (chief events)  
July 8—Wellington R.C. (Trial Plate)  
July 19—Canterbury J.C. (general entries)

### WEIGHTS ARE DUE.

June 28—Wellington R.C. Winter  
July 12—Canterbury J.C. National  
Aug. 2—Canterbury J.C. (minor events)

### ACCEPTANCES.

July 8—Wellington R.C. Winter  
July 19—Canterbury J.C. National  
Aug. 9—Canterbury J.C. (minor events)  
Sept. 6—New Zealand Cup

### ASCOT STUD FARM.

An invitation from Mr H. R. McKenzie to, at any time, run out and inspect the stock at Ascot Stud Farm was accepted, and on Saturday, accompanied by the "Review" photographer, Mr Alf. Jones, I found myself mounting an Onchunga car shortly after eight o'clock in Queen-street. The day was typical of winter, a bleak cold wind blowing accompanied at intervals by heavy showers. Arriving at the car terminus we were met by our host and soon were seated in a trap behind the trotting horse Mararoa, and heading for the farm which was reached in very short time. Refreshments, kindly provided by Mr McKenzie, were partaken of and after the usual chat about matters important, and racing in particular, a visit was paid to the stables. The first horse to be led out was the stallion Penury, and the farm is fortunate in possessing such a fine horse. Making all due allowance for the time of year, Penury looks a picture and his condition reflects credit upon Studgroom Kelly, who has had considerable experience in the business. Standing just sixteen hands, Penury is indeed a fine horse, being evenly balanced and full of quality, while his shoulders and quarters cannot but be admired. He carries an intelligent looking head well set and is as docile as a sheep, an item which goes a long way towards success. View him how you will it is difficult to find a fault and if he fails to get some great winners then I shall have to admit being a bad judge. Elysian (Soul—Dreamland) came next and at 150 guineas Mr McKenzie surely purchased a bargain. Since joining Ascot Stud the champion of a couple of seasons ago has grown into a fine horse, and he is now one mass of quality. Last season Elysian's list of 30 mares was filled, the number including Lady Hester, and the pair should produce something pretty good. Running in a paddock were some ten yearlings, and an inspection showed there was not a bad one amongst the lot. A filly, by Penury—Lady Hester, stood out by herself and a youngster possessing more quality and substance would be hard to find. She is certainly the gem of the collection and does credit to both her parents. A bay filly by Penury—Cytherea is a likely looking sort and one that should come to hand early. Cytherea is closely related to Our Lady, the dam of Bronze, whose performances this season are too well known to bear repeating. The youngest foal on the farm is a bay colt by Penury—Lady Flora. He is a solid, well-legged little chap with a racy head and good shoulders. The remainder of the collection comprises: Chestnut filly by Penury—Lady Gwen, bay filly by Penury—Lycia, black filly by Penury—Madam Sault, bay colt by Marble Arch—Lady B., bay filly by Birkenhead—Pearl Necklet, chestnut filly by Obligado—Delania, and a bay filly by Marble Arch—Erry Roe. The brood mares we found grazing in a well grassed paddock and one and all bore a healthy and well-cared for appearance. Lady Hester, whose foals

have altogether realised 2300 guineas in the sale ring, is stinted to Elysian, and her appearance leaves no doubt as to the result of the mating. Upon returning to the house refreshments were again partaken of and shortly after four o'clock we made the return journey to town, after spending a most enjoyable outing.

### THE WORK OF TOUTING.

Anyone who has visited one of the Metropolitan racecourses just prior to the commencement of a meeting will be well acquainted with the happenings on a busy morning, but those who only put in an appearance on race days can have little idea of the work attached to touting, and for the benefit of these I will try and give a few interesting particulars. To a stranger watching the horses galloping at work for the first time the business of touting appears very difficult, and rightly so, as it is by no means easy to learn. Taking Ellerslie for an example, there are, omitting the course proper, four training tracks, viz., the sand, middle grass, tan and inside grass, the furlongs on

kind of trainer is conspicuous by his absence, at any rate in New Zealand. Perhaps the fact of the totalisator being the only medium of betting and there is no "market" to beat may have something to do with this. However, in the days of the bookmaker training gallops were pretty well the same, and the Dominion may well be proud of the straight-going owners associated with the turf. The work of touting in the summer months is agreeable enough, but it is in the winter when wind and rain holds sway that the work is not one of pleasure. During the summer months work begins at half-past four o'clock and continues up till nine or half-past, but in winter, when the days are shorter, the tracks are not thrown open till half-past six. It is then that likely horses to make jumpers are schooled, both over hurdles and steeplechase country, and taken all round the training work at this period is the most interesting during the year. Touting is rarely slow and uninteresting, and on a fine summer's morning a pleasant couple of hours can always be spent watching the training work.

Canterbury Welcome Stakes—Hilarious, Oudeis, Liverpool, Stepniak, Bombshell, Multiform, Conqueror, Tolstoi, Romanoff, Orloff, Golden Lily, Munjeet, Danube.

Canterbury Jockey Club Handicap—Guy Fawkes, Mata, Grip.

New Zealand Cup—Spade Guinea, Lochiel, Grand Rapids, Noctuniform, Vice-Admiral.

Canterbury Derby—Papapa, Cheviot, Oudeis, Disowned, Maxim, Scots Grey, Stepniak, Blue Fire, Uniform, Multiform, Altair, Menschikoff, Orloff, Nightfall, Noctuniform, Danube.

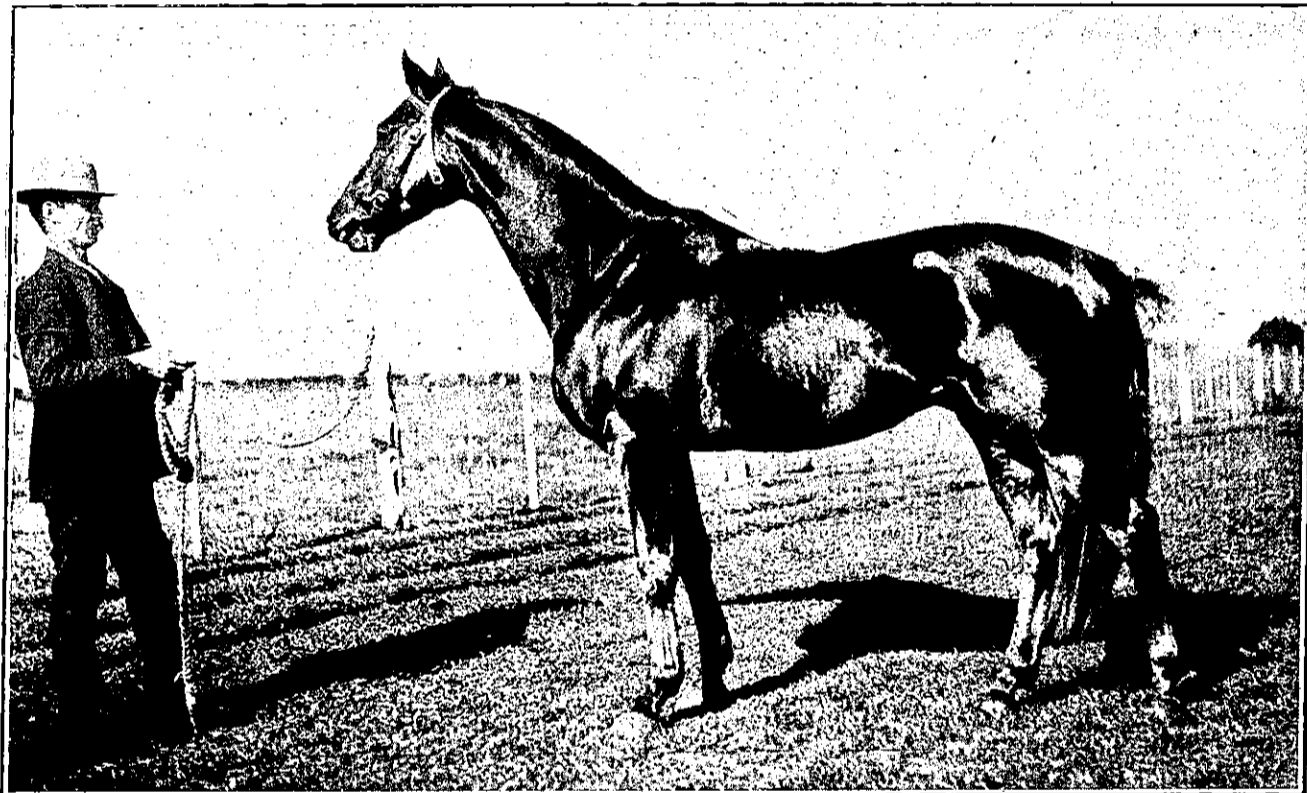
Canterbury Champagne Stakes—Wainui, Maxim, Strowan, Blue Fire, Mannlicher, Bombshell, Multiform, Altair, Screw Gun, Formosan, Orloff, Munjeet, Count Witte.

Canterbury Cup—Lurline, Guy Fawkes, Maxim, Stepniak, Multiform (2), Menschikoff, Cruciform, Martian, Noctuniform, Vice Admiral.

Ooks—Enid, Ish Dien, Blue Fire, Bellicent, Motto, Ismene, Cruciform, Nightfall.

Stewards' Handicap—Stepniak, Royal Artillery, Machine Gun.

Jubilee Cup—Royal Artillery, Cruciform, Isolt.



A PROMISING YOUNG SIRE—Mr H. R. McKenzie's br h ELYSIAN, 5yrs, by Sault—Dreamland.

each being marked by large white discs. When these discs have been committed to memory—not such an easy matter as would be imagined—the task of knowing the horses then presents itself. This is the most difficult part of the business, and it is only the regular tout who can really keep in touch with the animals. The make and shape of each animal is carried in the mind. Each year the various teams in the town are strengthened by the arrival of a fresh lot of yearlings. No sooner do these begin to gallop than the touts get their names and markings, and after seeing them gallop three or four times they could recognise each individual animal almost anywhere. Some horses are easily distinguished by their markings, but when a trainer has two horses in his string as nearly as possible identical in make, shape and colour, then there is difficulty in discriminating one from the other. This is where the practised eye of the tout scores, for he can tell a horse by his action or carriage of the head just as easy as one man knows another by his walk. Between trainers and touts there is generally a good understanding, and it is often only by the help of the former that the whole of the work registered on a busy morning is recorded in the papers. Of course there will always exist the trainer who will try to deceive the touts as to the capabilities of his horses, but, fortunately, this

### A PHENOMENAL RECORD.

The Christchurch trainer, R. J. Mason, who is now in New South Wales superintending the preparation of Mr G. D. Greenwood's horses, has truly had a wonderful career as a trainer of racehorses and one which any man may well be proud of. It was as a jockey as far back as 1866 that Mason rode his first winner on the old Hutt course, and he has been associated with the turf in New Zealand just on fifty years. It was as a trainer that Mason became famous, and his record will probably remain unbeaten for all time. Among the innumerable winners he prepared some great horses figure, and the list of important successes given below should prove interesting:—

Auckland Cup—Templeton, Salvage, Lochiel, St. Michael, Siege Gun.

Auckland Derby—Sextant, Medalion, Menschikoff, Boniform, Danube.

Auckland Royal Stakes—Bloodshot, Gold Medallist (2), Screw Gun (2), Royal Artillery, King Log, Machine Gun, Noctuniform, Armllet, Danube, Orton.

Auckland Racing Club Handicap—Lara, Miss Mischief (1911, and dead-heater for same race this year).

Auckland Summer Cup—Miss Mischief.

Auckland Railway Handicap—Cruciform, Orloff.

Middle Park Plate—Maxim, Rose Argent, Strowan, Bloodshot (2), Gold Medallist, Conqueror, Screw Gun, Menschikoff, Cruciform, Machine Gun.

Great Easter Handicap—Cruciform, Machine Gun, Armllet.

Great Autumn Handicap—Templeton, Camballo, Bellicent, Seal Rock.

Canterbury Challenge Stakes—Scots Grey, Blue Fire, Mannlicher, Multiform (2), Cruciform (2), Martian, Armllet.

Midsummer Handicap—Bundoora, Reynard, Altair, Skobeloff.

Dunedin Cup—Lurline, Templeton, Vanguard, Spade Guinea, Gipsy King.

Otago Cup—Uniform.

Hawke's Bay Guineas—Multiform, Menschikoff, Golden Lily, Cruciform.

Hawke's Bay Stakes—Bloodshot, Multiform, Screw Gun, Cruciform, Royal Artillery, Porcelain.

Wellington Cup—Beresford, Uniform, St. Michael, Nightfall.

North Island Challenge Stakes—Screw Gun, Formosan, Menschikoff, Martian.

Wellington Stakes—Courtier, Menschikoff, Cruciform, Silkworm, Cuneiform.

New Zealand St. Leger—Altair, Cruciform, Nightfall, Isolt.

Manawatu Stakes—Machine Gun, Count Witte.

Palmerston North Stakes—Munjeet.

Australian Cup—Lochiel.

A.J.C. Derby—Noctuniform.

A.J.C. Breeders' Plate—Boniform.

# TURF TOPICS.

Season rapidly closing.

Only Gisborne and Wellington meetings to go. Large entries for the Wellington winter gathering.

Nominations for the principal events of the Canterbury Jockey Club's Grand National meeting close to-morrow (Friday).

Weights for the opening day's racing of the Wellington meeting are due to appear to-morrow.

Races at Gisborne on Thursday and Friday next.

The curtain falls on the season on July 17 and 20, when the Wellington Racing Club will bring off their winter gathering.

A yearling colt by Wallace out of the Great Northern Derby winner, Miss Delaval, has been named Scotland's Hero.

W. Barnett, who rode Lady Medalist to victory in the Caulfield Cup will again pilot the daughter of St. Alwynne in her Spring engagements.

The Leolantis gelding, Blue Mountain, has been awarded 9st 6lb and 10st respectively in the V.R.C. Grand National Hurdles and Steeplechase. In view of his form at the Great Northern meeting he has not been harshly treated.

Two well-known local sportsmen, Messrs A. Emanuel and W. Ryan, will be present at the Gisborne R.C. meeting.

Mrs A. Julian, wife of the popular cross-country horseman, met with a painful accident through coming into contact with a motor car on Tuesday of last week. One and all will join in wishing the unfortunate lady a speedy recovery.

R. Cameron, the New Zealand horseman who rode The Parisian to victory in the Melbourne Cup, will again ride that gelding in the race next November.

Bandelero, who won the Hack Hurdles on the second day at Hawke's Bay, is a Daunt gelding trained by V. Colello, and is a stable-mate to Corazon.

As a result of three winning rides at the Hawke's Bay meeting last week, A. Julian has now a clear lead in the list of winning horsemen over fences.

The only Auckland horses nominated for flat races at the Wellington meeting are La Reina, Merrimax and Salute.

Three of the "Highden" yearlings at Awapuni, all by Charlemagne II., have been entered for the A.J.C. Breeders' Plate to be run at Randwick next year.

Bonnie Jean, the sister to Capitol and Red McGregor, will be taken to Gisborne by F. Ross. The mare was not herself at the Northern meeting and has improved considerably since then.

Bravest, winner of the Hack Hurdles on Wednesday at Hawke's Bay, is a full brother to Corazon.

The Auckland-owned Black Northern has been awarded 11st 3lb in the Napier Park Steeplechase.

Faunus, a fairly good sprinter, made his debut over hurdles at Hawke's Bay but failed to show up and ran unplaced.

In the June Steeplechase at Hastings on Friday, four of the five competitors either fell or ran off, Whakawera being the only one to get round without mistake.

The Hon. J. D. Ormond has nominated Bollin, Idealism and Faunus for the Wellington Winter Hurdles.

Gay Soult (Soult—Merry Nif), who is engaged in the New Zealand Cup is a full brother to that useful horse General Latour.

The three placed horses in the Queensland Derby, Smoko, Non Est and Owen Roe, were sired by the one-time Auckland champion Nonette. Smoko and Non Est have each won races since.

A filly expected to make a name in England this season is Feu de Joie, by Carbine—Skyscraper.

Malt King, one of Australia's most brilliant horses, is again in work at Randwick after a spell.

F. Weston is in charge of C. Coleman's team while that trainer is touring the South with Black Northern.

Mr E. J. Watt's pair, Bridge and Wimmera, are engaged in both the Australian Hurdle Race and Steeplechase, also the V.R.C. Grand National Hurdles.

Mr T. H. Lowry has leased the Merriwee gelding Merriwa to his trainer, F. Davis.

The chaser, Cloudy Morn, who was injured whilst contesting a steeplechase at Paeroa some time back, is now quite well again and will be racing in the spring.

Two Birmingham jewellery merchants, Messrs Cotton and Marcus, won £45,000 in the Calcutta Sweepstake on the English Derby.

During F. Macmanemin's holiday in the South, the well-known horseman, Mark Ryan has charge of the horses.

The "Rules of Racing" which will apply to all registered clubs in the Commonwealth, are expected to come into operation next November.

The first prize in Tattersall's Consultation on the Winter Stakes was drawn by a syndicate of four New South Wales ladies.

The Merriwee—St. Olga mare, Wee Olga, is at present on the easy list.

The Auckland colt, Prince Soult, has been withdrawn from the A.J.C. Derby.

The Monaco gelding Lloyds has gone on the right way since winning the Campbell Hurdles at the Northern meeting, and unless something unforeseen happens he will be taken to Riccarton to run in the Grand Nationals.

The Soult gelding Worcester has been added to the list and in future will figure as a gelding. Worcester can gallop in private, but when the colours are up he makes a very poor showing.

A rising two-year-old by Soult—Hester, has been placed in P. Jones' stable at Ellerslie.

The jockey, W. Retter, received a bad fall while schooling Parallel over hurdles at Riccarton last week. His skull was fractured and at latest he was lying in a serious condition.

W. H. McKay, a prominent Southern rider, is now residing in Auckland, and has joined J. E. Thorpe's stable.

After falling in the Hunt Cup Steeplechase at Hawke's Bay, Longboat was remounted by a Maori and finished fourth, just being beaten for third place by Wheturangi.

Papatoetoe, a full-brother to Lady Patricia, was sold at auction on Friday for 10 guineas.

When Winiata fell in the Hawke's Bay Steeplechase, his rider, Wallace Young, received a broken collarbone.

The well-known cross-country rider, R. Thompson, joined the ranks of Benedicts last week.

Aurana, one of the Hon. J. D. Ormond's nominations for the New Zealand Cup, ran unplaced in the Ladies' Bracelet at Hastings last week.

That consistent little horse, Goldsize, was given a dose of physic last week, and is at present on the easy list.

Diavolo, who brought off a surprise victory in the Hack Handicap at Hastings on Friday, is a three-year-old by Wehikore—Heavenly Twin, and therefore a half-brother to Theodore.

The rising three-year-old Devastation, has again been placed in work at Ellerslie. Mr Dunnett's Australian-bred chestnut has grown into a fine colt, and he should be heard of next season.

Paisano was a solid favourite for the Turamoe Hurdles on the second day at Hawke's Bay, but he made a poor showing, and after negotiating the first fence was never dangerous.

B. Deeley rode one winner at Hawke's Bay last week, and his total is now 85. He requires three to tie or four to beat C. Jenkins' record.

Auckland's contribution to the list of nominations for jumping events to be decided at the Wellington Racing Club's meeting comprises Armagh, Taiaha, Tui Cakobau, Hautere, Okaihau, Antarctic, Black Northern, and Master Theory.

In 1908 Tredennis (Kendal—Marguerite), the sire of Bachelor's Button, Bachelor's Hope, Bachelor's Double, etc., was standing at a fee of £8. His list is now full for 1912 and 1913 at 200 guineas per mare.

The hurdle racer Outlander, who was purchased during the Great Northern meeting by Mr. S. Barton, died last week at Ellerslie. This was a stroke of bad luck for his new owner, who intended taking the gelding and Kohinor to Australia later on.

Arquebuse is top weight for the V.R.C. Grand National Hurdles with 11.13. New Zealand horses weighted for the event are: Bridge 11.8, Wimmera 11.4, and Pakau 10.10.

Cyllene's stock are very much sought after in South America, and recently one of his yearlings was sold for the fabulous sum of 5000 guineas.

Makiri, who returned the best dividend of the Hawke's Bay meeting when he won the Hack Steeplechase, is possessed of only one eye.

A Wellington writer says the odds on offer about Miscount for the New Zealand Cup just about represent his chance of making the first payment.

The Wairiki—Eton Lass gelding Home Rule continues in winning vein in Australia, and at Caulfield on Saturday he easily won the Toolambool Hurdles in a field of fifteen. Home Rule, it may be remarked, has been withdrawn from the V.R.C. Grand National Steeplechase.



A. J. McFLYNN,  
A leading all-round Auckland horseman.

The Grand Prix de Paris will be decided on Sunday next.

Annapolis, the half brother to the Auckland Cup winner Waimangu, by Phoebe Apollo, has been nominated in most of the big spring handicaps to be run in Melbourne.

R. McMiken has sold the Bluejacket gelding Blue Mount and it is understood he will be shipped to Australia. He may win a hurdle race or two at some of the suburban meetings.

The world's record for stake money won in a single season was put up in 1907 by Mr. James R. Keene, the American owner, whose horses secured £80,160. The same owner won £57,580 the following year.

Although Bridge is being sent after hurdle honours he is evidently not regarded as a forlorn hope on the flat, as he figures amongst the entries for the Melbourne and Caulfield Cups.

Several horses fell while contesting the Wanda Steeplechase at Caulfield on Saturday. Sea Dog and Icicle sustained fatal injuries. Sea Dog was a New Zealand-bred gelding by Cast ashore—Gladys.

At the Rosehill (N.S.W.) meeting on Monday, the Carrington mile was won by Fugue with Blakeney second. Both horses are Dominion bred.

Conge d'Esquire has again changed hands, Mr W. A. Grenike, of Perth, giving £350 for the Bobadil gelding.

In the Newmarket Stakes won by Cylgad at Newmarket last month, not one of the five runners was ridden by an English jockey.

Among the horses H. Freeland now has in work at Kensington is Merrie Zealand (Merrie England—Zealandia), who was recently purchased by Mr E. Carter.

Frank Wootton performed the hat trick at Alexandria Park last month, scoring on three winners in succession out of four mounts.

The one-time Auckland horseman, J. W. McGregor, received slight concussion and had his hip badly lacerated when Stratford fell with him in a steeplechase at Moonee Valley on Saturday week.

During the season just closed the Auckland Racing Club paid to the Government the sum of £9502 2s 2d as tax money. This constitutes a record.

Vega, a gelding bred and raced last season by the Hon. J. D. Ormond, won a small race at Bairnsdale (Victoria) recently but was disqualified for running inside a post.

Mr W. Brown has nominated twelve of his Multiform yearlings for the Debutante Stakes and Caulfield Guineas.

The two-year-old colt Rathfornham (Positano—Rattler), who is a half-brother to the New Zealand Cup winner Vice-Admiral, has been put into work by D. Coleman at Flemington.

Tundulya, who won the Australian Hurdle Race at Caulfield in 1910, will be ridden in the big jumping events in Victoria this year by the New Zealand jockey, S. O'Neill.

When the latest files left England, the list of jockeys riding on the flat was headed by F. Wootton, his number of wins totalling 28 against D. Maher's 26. J. Clark came next with 21½, followed by C. Trigg with 17; while W. Huxley had only 11 wins to his credit.

The following additional entries have been received from New Zealand for the Rosehill Guineas, 1913: Mr G. D. Greenwood's ch c Counsel, by Vasco (imp.)—Silk Gown; ch f Mistorette, by Achilles—Chinwag; and b c Cherubim, by Martian—Grand Opera; Mr A. Whitney's blk c by Andria (imp.)—Heidelberg.

The new "Australian Rules of Racing," which will be adopted by the principal clubs throughout the Commonwealth, provide that at all meetings the hurdles used shall be open hurdles, 3 feet 3 inches in height, while in steeplechases no obstacle shall be less than 3 feet 9 inches high, all measurements to be made in a vertical line from the ground.



A visitor to the city just now is the veteran sportsman, Mr. J. Lenard, of Falcon Lodge, Waihou.

Seventeen clubs have made further application to the Racing Conference for totalisator permits. Seven of them want two days' meetings.

Nothing definite is to hand regarding the condition of F. Howard, who was injured when Pleiades fell in the Wanganui Steeplechase, though it is said he is still in a serious state.

Rangi Thompson had one of his arms broken when Otupai fell with him at Hawke's Bay last week.

J. M. Cameron has had his team at Hastings strengthened by the addition of St. Elm, by St. Ambrose—Maude. The colt is therefore a half-brother to Mahutonga, Mangaroa and opu.K.

The rising two-year-old full brother to Evaane will be known as Sir Moseley and a younger full sister as Lady Fulda.

Mangaroa is said to be wintering well and she is to be specially prepared for the New Zealand Cup. Her owner's father, Mr W. Douglas, won the race in 1903 with Rosefeldt, while he also bred another winner of the race in Tortulla.

At a meeting of the South Canterbury Jockey Club a remit to the Racing Conference was adopted that the Government be asked to amend the tax on clubs to one on the net profits instead of on the gross returns.

C. Brown and J. Buchanan, two prominent Ellerslie horsemen, will be riding at the Gisborne meeting.

Lord Derby presented Frank Wootton with a massive silver cup engraved with the names of winners ridden by Wootton for the Stanley House stable.

Mr. J. Hogg, a well-known West Australian sportsman, at present on a visit to Auckland, returned to town on Monday after spending a few days at Roturua with Mr. H. H. Hayr. Mr. Hogg returns to Australia on Monday next.

The steeplechase at the Ballarat (Victoria) meeting on Friday week was a sensational affair, each of the four competitors making a mistake of some sort. Ricardo, after refusing a fence twice, won by half a mile.

At the last meeting of the West Australian Turf Club, a filly named Kaluwiri won the Trial Handicap and brought off a surprise. There was only one 10s ticket invested on her for a win and the holder received £175 10s. On the place machine the dividend was £20 11s for 10s.

Rarely do backers have such a good time as was experienced at the recent Rockhampton (Q.) meeting. It is reported that seven first favourites got home on the first day, five were successful on the second day, and on the concluding day they all won, thus 19 out of 21 races fell to the "fancied article," which is probably a record in its way.

Long Set, who acted as runner-up to Eton Boy in the Royal Hunt Cup at Ascot, filled a similar position behind Moscato in the same race last year. At his own distance Long Set would appear to be about the best handicap horse in England this season. In March, he won the Lincolnshire Handicap with 8.2, and the following month he carried 9.0 to victory in the Newbury Spring Cup.

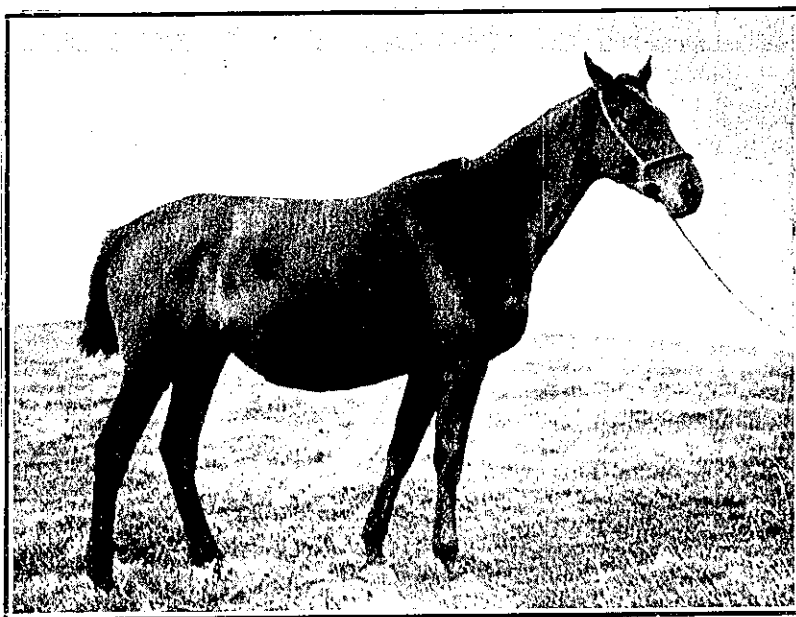
A discussion arose the other night (says the "Pall Mall") as to the wittiest name ever given to a racehorse, in view of parentage. Various instances were quoted, but by general acceptance the prize was awarded to a horse which Lord Dudley owned and raced a good many years ago. It was by Sentinel out of Beggar Maid, and he called it "Present Alms."

The two-year-old filly Bonnie Bird, a half sister to Mr. E. J. Watt's stallion All Black, won two more races just before the last mail left England. On each occasion she showed exceptional speed and had her opponents in trouble from the start. Bonnie Bird is already being compared with Pretty Polly, on account of the way in which she wins her races.

The Torpedo gelding Thrave, by winning the Final Handicap at Hastings, proved that his success on the first day of the meeting was no fluke, as he had 12lb additional weight in the saddle. Thrave is a four-year-old brown gelding, and was bred by the Messrs. Douglas, his dam, Carnelian, being a daughter of Cyrenian and the Ingomar mare Aegyptilla. When in a galloping mood he is decided useful.

Among the winners at Moonee Valley (Victoria) on June 12 was Was-ecca, by General Symons or Formosan, from Helen. The New Zealand-bred gelding is trained by "Lou" Robertson, who is better known as the trainer of trotters, but who has done well with the hurdle racer Merry Monarch (also from New Zealand), and recently won a race at Sandown Park with the American mare, Dewberry.

A couple of years ago the V.R.C. struck off the seventh race it used to run on Melbourne Cup day, but it has again reverted to that number. It is doubtful whether there was any special call for the extra race, particularly on Cup Day, when the interest really centres on one event, and a goodly proportion of visitors start homewards immediately it is decided. Perhaps (says an exchange) this may be an idea of the committee to bring about departures from the course in gradual fashion, and thereby assist in avoiding any marked congestion of the railway traffic.



MR H. R. MCKENZIE'S brood mare LADY HESTER, dam of Master Soult, Dearest and Prince Soult.

The V.R.C. committee have decided that all bookmakers plying their calling at Flemington shall be warned against employing "runners," or "tick-tackers." Notices have been posted at Flemington for a considerable time to the effect that runners or tick-tackers are not permitted to operate at race meetings there, but the regulation has hitherto been more honoured in the breach than in the observance.

After her victory in the One Thousand Guineas, a well recognised English authority wrote thus of the subsequent Derby heroine:—"Tagalie had matters all her own way in the last furlong, and I cannot see how any of the others—unless it be Bill and Coc—are ever to catch her. It is very true that they run in all shapes, and Tagalie is a plain, mean-looking, rather spiry filly, with a goose rump, but she is all wire and whip cord, a thoroughly varminty type, and probably a thorough stay-er."

L. H. Hewitt was riding very well indeed, when the last mail to hand left London. At Newmarket on April 30 he rode a filly called Santonique into second place behind the favourite, Thistleton (F. Wootton) in a field of twenty-eight starters. Hewitt's mount was not mentioned in the betting. In a break-away fifteen of the competitors ran the course (five furlongs), and only one of these returned to the post for the actual race; but the others were considered runners, as they were under the starter's orders. None of the favourites were concerned in the unfortunate break-away.

The Chester meeting is one of the oldest in England, and at one time the Chester Cup was one of the big races of the year. Although possessing nothing like its former popularity, it is still an interesting event. It carries

£2050 stake money, and is run over a distance of two miles and a quarter. Rathlea, who won last month, covered the distance in 3min 57.4-5sec, which is 4 2-5sec slower than Signor's record time for the Canterbury Cup. Rathlea is trained by Couthwaite, who has the distinction of having sent out three Grand National winners in the last seven years.

In the matter of the appeal by R. Jellie against the decision of the Hawke's Bay Metropolitan Committee endorsing the decision of the judicial committee of the Tologa Bay Jockey Club in dismissing a protest lodged by Jellie, owner of Game, that McLeod, rider of Auldearn, jostled Game in the Uawa Stakes Handicap, the Racing Conference judges, in their judgment, state:—"We are of unanimous opinion that the decision of the Hawke's Bay Committee in upholding the decision of the Tologa Bay Committee cannot be disturbed. We therefore dismiss the appeal, and order the deposit to be refunded." The judges were Messrs R. H. Nolan, J. W. Abbott, and W. E. Bidwill.

Omitting his New Zealand victories, Carbine won 25 races at set weights, and if they had approached the value of those of the present day his stake winnings would have been fully £40,000, instead of the total of £29,476 for the whole of his 33 victories. It may not be generally known, but Carbine only won five weight-for-age events for which the added money

chine Gun (1904) and Isolt (1906). Since migrating to Europe L. H. Hewitt has for several years ridden successfully on the Continent, where he held a retainer as first horseman to the Gratz Stud, a concern run by the German Government. Hewitt was "discovered" by the Warrnambool owner-trainer Mr W. Moran, who prepared Alva for the Toorak Handicap and other winning races.

Thirty-one youngsters are engaged in the next Avondale Stakes, while 42 still remain in the Guineas.

The Chief, winner of the Hunt Cup at Hastings, was afterwards purchased by the Waikato sportsman, Mr C. D. McLaren.

C. Brown will ride Admiral Soult and Necktie in their Gisborne engagements. Next season Necktie will be mated with Multifid.

From the South comes news of the death of Handsome Jack who was responsible for a few good horses, the best being perhaps Roseal, who defeated Treadmill and others in the C.J.C. Derby.

F. Stenning is getting a strong team together and with Jack Delaval, Dunborve, Ruatangata, Devastation, Monojack and a filly by Soult—Carusa to battle for him he should secure some stake money for his patrons next season.

Basse Point, who ran second to Prince Palatine in the Ascot Gold Cup, had done most of her racing in France, where, on May 9, she won the Prix Dollars at Paris, a race decided over eleven furlongs, and the most important of the meeting.

The Royal Hunt Cup is one of the big events of the June Meeting at Ascot, and is run over a distance of seven furlongs and 166 yards. It is an old established race, dating back to 1843, when Knight of the Whistle beat twenty-four runners. Some good horses figure on the list of winners, notably See Saw, Lowlander, Sweetbread, Gay Hermit, Morion, Victor Wild, Jacquemart, and Lally. It has nearly always attracted very large fields, the biggest being in 1862, when Canary defeated 37 runners. Eton Boy, the winner of this year's event, is a four-year-old brown colt, and is trained by Carter. His performances have only been moderate, whereas the second horse, Longset, is one of the best handicap horses in England, and was doubtless conceding his conqueror a tremendous lot of weight.

A romance of the turf is recalled by the resignation of Mr J. F. Awbery as master of the Warrington (Cheshire) Workhouse. In May last Mr Awbery was the lucky winner of about £19,000 in the Calcutta Club's Derby "eweep." The story of his god fortune sounds like a chapter from the pages of fiction. Several weeks before last year's Derby Mr Awbery, hearing that three tickets for the sweep were to be obtained, purchased these for £1 19s 6d. With one of the tickets he drew Steadfast, and sold a half share to a Dundee syndicate for £1200. The offer of a well-known peer to buy the remaining share of the ticket was declined with thanks. On the afternoon of the Derby Mr Awbery had to make a hurried journey to Scotland, with his solicitor, to secure signature to a document in connection with the sale of the ticket, and it was only after a very exciting motor car race across country against time that the papers were lodged safely at a bank, thereby enabling him to establish his claim to the ticket. Mr Awbery won the second prize in the sweepstakes, which was worth about £38,000, and by his lucky speculation he became the richer by £19,000. Since October Mr Awbery has been suffering from a serious illness, and has been ordered to Lucerne for a change of climate. He is giving up the superannuation to which he is entitled in order to assist deserving cases which cannot be relieved out of the rates.

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# INTERPROVINCIAL.

## WELLINGTON.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

WELLINGTON, Monday.

Capital nominations have been received for the winter meeting of the Wellington Racing Club amongst the number nominated being the majority of the best jumpers in New Zealand. Mr. Pollock has some good material to work on and provided there is a satisfactory response from owners the gathering should easily prove the most successful in the history of the club.

The Stepniak mare Aema, trained by C. Pritchard at the Hutt created a very favourable impression by her clever jumping in hurdle events at the Hawke's Bay meeting. When more seasoned Aema should certainly pay her way over the small sticks.

Returned sportsmen from Hastings speak in high terms of the starting of Mr. R. H. Skipwith at the Hawke's Bay gathering. The send-offs were a treat to witness and consequently this important branch of the business came in for favourable criticism.

The well-known Waikato sportsman Mr. C. D. McLaren purchased The Chief on Friday last. The chestnut will make his first appearance in his new owner's colours at the Napier Park meeting this week, after which, in company with Wirihana, he will be brought to Trentham to contest the W.R.C. Steeplechase. Subsequently both jumpers will be taken South to contest steeplechasing events at the C.J.C. Grand National meeting.

In securing Separator for 35 guineas last week the Greymouth sportsman Mr. T. Davis appears to have made a decided bargain. The son of Seaton Delaval and Brown Alice should certainly prove a decided acquisition to the ranks of the racing brigade on the West Coast.

The amateur rider, Mr. A. Best, created a favourable impression by his riding of Prince Eddie and Lord Kilcheran at Hastings. Being a capable horseman, Mr. Best's services should be in keen demand in the remainder of this season's high-weight events.

The writer was much struck with the galloping of Jason, the yearling colt by Achilles from Stepina, that was galloped on the Hastings course during the progress of the second day's racing on Friday last. The chestnut, who was ridden by L. Wilson, had no difficulty in beating the Charlemagne II.—Ma Mie Rosette filly (W. Bond) in a sprint up the straight. Both juveniles give promise of doing Mr. E. J. Watt some useful service in next season's racing events. Jason has been nominated for the Breeders' Plate at the Australian Jockey Club's spring meeting.

H. Kingan is keeping Sea Queen busy at Trentham. This mare is receiving a thorough preparation for her W.R.C. contests.

The "Highden" trainer G. Price, and A. Oliver returned from Sydney on Wednesday last and proceeded to their headquarters at Awapuni. Both sports announce having had a joyous time in Sydney and are looking forward to another trip across the Tasman Sea.

H. Eva has Windage in capital trim at Awapuni. The gelding will be seen out at Trentham next month.

With Byron and Makara turned out A. Shearsby has only two horses, viz., Bonnie Boy and Montiform in work at Awapuni. Both horses are standing up to their work well.

Waiouru has been turned out by Mr. S. W. Carter at Shannon and will not race again until next season. Mr. Carter bred Waiouru and has always owned the gelding although he ran in Mr. S. Messena's nomination.

V. O'Neill will take Gaelic to Melbourne at the conclusion of the W.R.C. meeting. Clarence O'Neill will be associated with the riding of the gelding in jumping events in Australia.

Rangiatua, who was recently added to the list of geldings has made a capital recovery. It would be a pleasing incident to see Mr. D. Buick, M.P., in possession of something useful, as with Goldsley and Vibration disabled the popular "Cloverlea" sportsman has, outside of Rangiatua, nothing of much moment to carry his colours next season.

The Soult mare Dearest has been turned out at Porirua for the remainder of this season.

## WEST COAST.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

WANGANUI, Monday.

The death is announced of Handsome Jack, sire of Roseal, The Comet, Handsome Maid, and other fair performers. Roseal was a real good one, but was unlucky, otherwise his record would have been a capital one.

In all likelihood John will be nominated for the Grand National Hurdles. Jack Stewart has been on the Cuirassier gelding's back in one or two spins over the schooling hurdles recently, the gelding acquitting himself very well.

The three-year-old colt Kilrain is the first horse Mr. E. Short has raced, and apparently he is going to prove a good one. He opened his winning career at Otaki, and made many friends by the way he galloped. He is likely to win some good races next season.

The Feilding Jockey Club are carrying out a big system of drainage, while the terrace in front of the

and they do not tend to in any way improve the stamp of horses. From Mr Russell's remarks, it would seem that some of the leading hunt clubs stand a chance of getting tote permits if he has the power to grant them, and there is little doubt this would be a move in the right direction, as hunt clubs are worthy of encouragement. In this connection the claims of the Egmont-Wanganui Hunt Club for a permit cannot be overlooked providing any such clubs are granted permits. It is a strong club, and has been instrumental in bringing out a large number of the right stamp of horses for remounts.

The Wanganui Jockey Club are pushing on with the scheme of improvements to the grandstand, tote house, and other buildings. With a view to enlarging the lawn, the outside stand has been removed about a chain and a half from its old site, and the tote house will also be shifted and considerably enlarged, and other alterations made. When these are completed there should be ample facilities for speculators for some time to come without any of the jostling which goes on at present. It is probable that the additions to the grandstand will be held over until after the spring meeting, but in the meantime the erection of the glass tea kiosk will be proceeded with. It

Peace) and Jason (Achilles—Stepina). The former filly is the property of Mr. T. H. Lowry, while Jason, a chestnut colt of the light tinted variety, with a deal of white about him, is owned by Mr. E. J. Watt.

Notwithstanding that 135 horses started in the 14 events that were decided at Hastings this week, a sovereign invested on each horse in each race would have shown a profit of £18 5s.

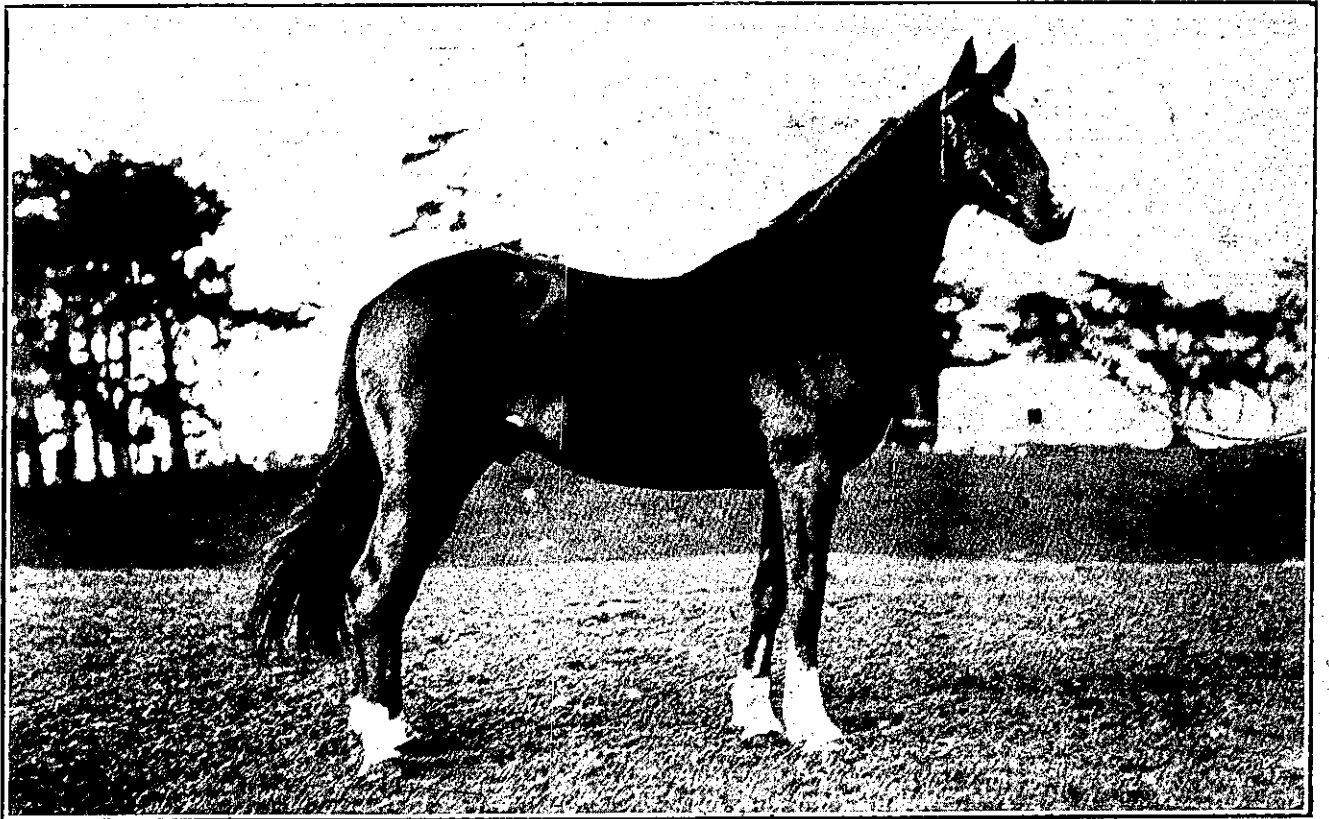
W. Griffith, who for a considerable period has been training Sandstream, has in conjunction with Mr. L. McKenzie purchased the son of San Fran. He is going along satisfactorily in his work, and it is anticipated that by the opening of next season he will be forward enough to again take a hand in the game.

A sovereign invested upon each first favourite at the just finished gathering of the Hawke's Bay Jockey Club would have resulted in a loss of nearly £3, and a ticket taken on each of the equines ridden by A. Julian would have shown a credit balance of £10 19s.

Sublime now races in the interests of Mr. R. H. Parker.

## THE ASCOT GOLD CUP.

The result of the Ascot Gold Cup, decided in England last week, would in all probability be well received at Home, as the winner, Prince Palatine, made a one-horse race of the St.



Mr. H. R. McKenzie's English-bred sire, PENURY, by Gallinule—Dowerless, now stationed at Ascot Stud Farm, Mangere.

grandstand is being concreted and the stand buildings painted.

E. Murtagh is now attached to Delaney's stable at Feilding.

S. Anderson, a young Auckland rider, has accepted an engagement under Mr J. Delaney at Feilding.

Antarctic was scratched this morning for all engagements at the Napier Park meeting. The gelding is going on all right, but is to be reserved for Wellington.

A large number of racing people will thoroughly endorse the remarks of the Hon. G. W. Russell in replying to a deputation from the Otago Hunt Club asking for favourable consideration of an application for a totalisator permit for a one-day meeting per annum. The Minister said that if the matter of allocation of racing permits came into his hands next month he intended to have a say, together with the racing clubs, with regard to programmes. He expressed the opinion that many sprinting events—four and five-furlong races—should be swept off the programmes of ordinary racing clubs and replaced by races in which weight-carrying and other horses fit for re-mounts were engaged. He would use permits for the purpose of raising the standard of the breed of horses, so that the country might be able to supply re-mounts to the Old Land. There is no getting away from the fact that too many short sprint events figure on the programmes at some of the meetings,

is to be hoped that when these improvements have been completed the club will turn its attention to the outside, and do something to improve the comfort of those who do not patronise the lawn. At present very little consideration is shown the outsiders, and the enlargement of the lawn will not help to improve matters from their point of view, as they will be shut further away than ever from the finishing post. However, such a progressive club is not likely to overlook this matter, and no doubt something will be done in the direction of adding to the comfort and convenience of the outsiders in due course.

## HAWKE'S BAY.

(By Our Own Correspondent.)

HASTINGS, Monday.

Tripoli found a new owner on Thursday morning, when the son of Marshal Soult was purchased by Mr. J. Robson, the breeder of Pink'un, for 201 guineas. The gelding will still remain in H. Hickey's establishment.

Te Pua has broken down, and it is considered that her racing career is now at an end.

Mr. Lowry informed me the other day that the name of the colt by Soult out of Monoquail is Soltano, not Solano, as has previously appeared.

Several youngsters were given spins during the progress of the winter meeting at Hastings this week. The most attractive displays were those given by The Hague (Stepniak—

Leger last year and also won the Gordon Stakes at Goodwood, while he occupied second berth in each of his other three starts. Prince Palatine is evidently a great stayer and inherits the stamina of his sire, Persimmon, who, it may be remarked, also carried off the Gold Cup. The race is one of the important events of the English turf, due, perhaps, to the fact that it was founded in 1807 and also that the distance is two miles and a-half. Very small fields have been a feature of the event, and on one occasion Banker was the solitary starter and only five times in its long history has the field reached double figures, the main being twelve in 1848, when Alarm proved victorious, the race on that occasion being known as the Emperor's Plate. The Gold Cup has not been without its sensation, as on five occasions the judge declared a dead heat, the run-off deciding the winner. In the years 1811 and 1823 Jeanette and Marcellus were first home and in each instance the race awarded to the second horse. The greatest sensation of all was the stealing of the cup itself from the stewards' room a few years ago. Some great horses figure in the list of winners, amongst whom may be mentioned Fisherman, Gladiateur, Doncaster, Isonomy, St. Simon, La Fleche, Isinglass, Persimmon, Cyllene and Bayardo. Then again several horses well entitled to be placed in the category "great" have been beaten, notably when such famous mares as Pretty Polly and Sceptre were defeated.

# RACING REVIEWED.

## HAWKE'S BAY JOCKEY CLUB'S WINTER MEETING.

(From our own Correspondent.)

HASTINGS, Monday.

On Wednesday, the opening day of the Hawke's Bay Jockey Club's meeting, the climate, though fine above, was of a wintry aspect, and the air throughout the afternoon was charged with an icy grip, but, nevertheless, the attendance was up to the average of similar previous 'chasing gatherings. Early on Thursday morning the rain came down in good style, and gave every indication that it was well set for some time, and the committee of the club met at nine o'clock and decided to postpone the fixture until the following day.

Mr. R. H. Skipwith was extremely happy in the manner in which he sent the large fields away upon their errands, and his send-offs gave no rise for contention. Though there were several close finishes, Mr. W. Hartgill, as usual, was prompt in sending aloft his decisions, and Mr. A. W. Knight, who, for the first time, was handling the reins of authority as secretary, had all matters connected with his department in excellent running order.

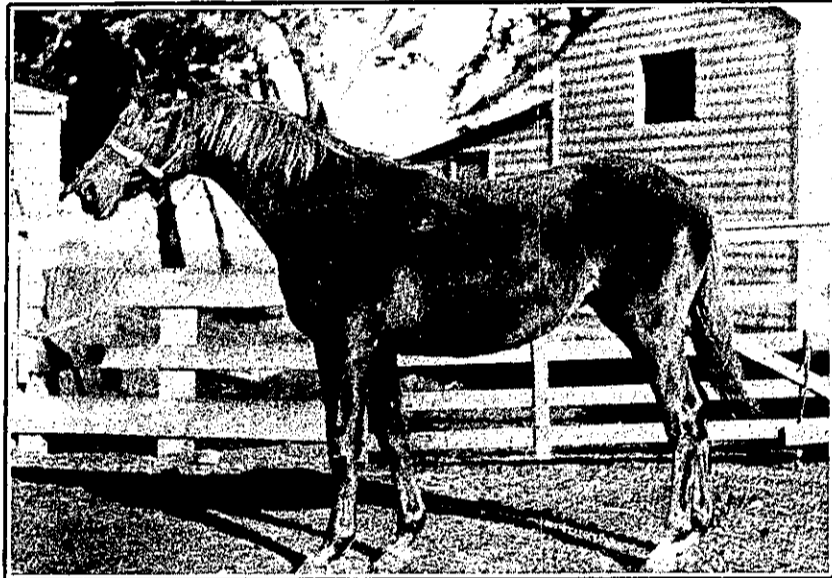
Betting was indulged in spiritedly and when the fallies were made up after the conclusion of the Final Handicap it was seen that for the two days the sum of £21,012 had passed through the hands of the ticket manipulators, this amount being £1174 in excess of the turnover registered at the winter venture in 1911.

The field for the Hawke's Bay Steeplechase was neither classy nor numerically strong, for only a pack of seven got under weigh for the contest, and there were no first flighters apparent in the runners. When the machine closed upon the race it could be seen that Glenmore had a twenty-pound's better following than Appin for the pride of place, Beeline coming next in favour, The Spaniard figuring as the outsider of the party. Glenmore soon singled himself out, and striding along in a confident fashion obtained a commanding lead at the two-mile mark. At this stage Appin made a forward move, and shortly afterwards got within striking distance of the favourite. Half a mile from the winning post, where the sod wall is erected, Appin had got up to Glenmore, but the rider of the latter adopted questionable tactics and nearly had the Possible gelding off the corner of the obstacle. As it was Appin sprawled at the wall, and Glenmore went on with a slight advantage. The next fence, a brush, proved the undoing of Appin, for he blundered into it and came down. This consequently made the way easy for Glenmore, who finished about a furlong ahead of his stable comrade Beeline, who was the same distance ahead of The Spaniard.

There is no doubt that the interference that Appin sustained at the sod wall militated against his prospects of success, for the bump took a lot of the steam out of him. He was going particularly well at the time, and was evidently holding his own with Glenmore, who, though a fine fencer, is not as brilliant as Mr. Reid's gelding on the flat. After having weighed in Rangit Thompson's presence was requested in the stewards' room, and after reviewing the matter they administered a severe caution to him for his interference of Appin. Whakaweira was not given an opportunity to demonstrate his ability, for he had not gone far before his pilot lost both stirrup leathers and irons, and consequently control of him. He continued for the whole of the trip, missing the fences in his journey, and had not Julian, on Beeline, managed to give assistance to Flynn by catching hold of Whakaweira's bridle after he had passed the post for the final round some trouble would assuredly have been in store for Flynn. Winiata, who was steered by W. Young, crashed into the brush fence at the back of the course in the concluding round, and through the mishap Young had the misfortune to break his collarbone. Both winner and runner-up are sons of Captain Webb, and the pair are both pupils of T. Lloyd, who turned them out in fine bloom.

The starters in the June Steeplechase consisted of Glenmore, Whakaweira, Tyrannic, Flamingo, and The Spaniard, a poor response for the 200sovs that constituted the stake money in connection with the event.

As might have been anticipated from his good showing on Wednesday afternoon, and when the fact was taken into consideration that Appin was an absentee, Glenmore was elected favourite, Tyrannic, who had vanquished those put up in force against him in the Hack Steeplechase on Wednesday, coming next in favour, and Whakaweira third choice. With the exception of Whakaweira, the rest of the field made mistakes, and it was certainly a burlesque of a steeplechase. In the early part of the first circuit Glenmore and Tyrannic ran off at the second brush of the double in front of the stand, and then Flamingo went on in front. Glenmore and Tyrannic were brought back to the obstacle which they had missed, and went on in pursuit of the others, who by this time were a good quarter of a mile in advance. At the back Tyrannic made another mistake and quit the contest. Coming past the stand in the second circuit Flamingo led from Whakaweira by a couple of lengths, The Spaniard a good way to leeward. The latter failed to get over the impediments in front of the stand and his rider lost his seat. He was remounted by his trainer A. Goodwin, but he did not go far before he also retired. Flamingo led Whakaweira to the sod wall, with Glenmore making up lost ground in



Brown filly by Penury—Lady Hester, the gem of the yearlings at Mr McKenzie's Stud. This filly is a half-sister to Master Soult, Dearest and Prince Soult.

good style. Flamingo falling at this fence paved the way comfortably for Whakaweira, who was getting tired, and in addition was just scrambling over the fences; in fact, the second last impediment nearly landed him in trouble, for he fumbled at it badly. However he managed to come out of the ordeal satisfactorily and cantered in a winner by a hundred yards from Glenmore, who was quite double that distance ahead of Flamingo, who had been remounted. The way that Glenmore fenced and galloped after his mishap demonstrated plainly that if bad luck had not come his way his supporters would have handled a dividend. The exhibition given and the pace shown by the 'chasers clearly proved that the winner of the Grand National Steeplechase was not seen out at Hastings this week.

The betting was spirited over the Hawke's Bay Hurdles, the amount registered on the machine in connection with the race being the largest sum handled in one event for the two days. Stevens, who appeared as if he was not too sound, occupied pride of place in the speculation, Paisano next choice, and Idealism third favourite. Koran rapidly made his qualities apparent, for after going but a short distance he strode to the front, and the farther he proceeded on the journey the farther were the opposing forces left in the rear, the son of Pilgrim's Progress registering a hollow victory by a good ten lengths, Stevens just mastering Paisano by the best part of a length for second honours. The winner chanced his fences, and at one of them nearly came to grief, but the luck was with him, and he soon righted himself. Black Northern was never dangerous. Waiputere looked light and dry, and Idealism appeared to be shirking his work. Kauroa, who gave evidence that he had come

through a solid preparation, was Koran's nearest attendant for a mile and a-half, when he cried enough and retired to the rear.

Presumably, in consequence of Koran and Stevens not being amongst the acceptors for the Turamoe Hurdles, Paisano, with three pounds more to carry and a quarter of a mile less to compass than was the case in the Hawke's Bay Hurdles, was elected a leading first favourite, followed by Idealism and Ambrosian in that order. With the exception that in the first three furlongs he showed out well, backers had a poor run for their investments on the favourite, for at the finish he could get no nearer than fifth, and that was a long way back from the winner, Idealism, who looked in beautiful order, and, running as well as he looked, made hacks of his opponents, for he was early in the advance guard, and, never faltering in the least bit from his essay, just romped home a good three-lengths' victor from the outsider, Elfish, Waiputere ten lengths back, third.

The Woodlands Hack Steeplechase attracted nine runners, Donzel, who has been doing everything that has been asked of him in a proficient style, having the call in the betting operations, second choice falling to Makiri; Tyrannic third favourite. Tyrannic was early in the lead, and was never deposed from the position, and at the finish had an advantage of ten lengths from the ancient Rosegrove,

The Whakatu Hack Hurdles produced a strong field in point of numbers, half a score going to the post, Mohau, a stable companion of Koran's, being the selected article, with Bismarck and Golden Loop second and third favourites respectively. Neither of the trio secured a place, victory coming to Bravest, a younger full-brother to Corazon, trained by Atlas White and owned by Mr C. Tricklebank, of Porangahau, who acquired him for the trifling outlay of thirty sovereigns. He paid the price of the day on Wednesday, and his party supported him in good style. Nescot got second, and Master Stead, who a couple of seasons back paid a big dividend at Waioa, was third. Bismarck never seemed to find his feet until a furlong from home, when he came fast, and ran into fifth place, just behind Golden Loop. Mohau was the last to leave the mark, and he never improved the position.

A baker's dozen contested the Kidnappers' Hack Hurdles, St. Toney having the most support accorded to him, the next in favour being Bandalero, Faunus, whose first appearance it was in the role of a fencer, third choice. The judgment of backers was fairly accurate, for Bandalero won, St. Toney second, and Bravest third. The winner is by Daunt, out of Walmariri, and is trained by V. Colello, and owned by Mr W. I. Peacock. He is a bold, quick, jumper, and was always there or thereabouts during the trip. Half a mile from home he took charge, and, coming on well within himself, registered an easy four-lengths' capture, Bravest being a bare two lengths away from St. Toney. Faunus jumped very carefully, and occupied rear-most position all along.

Flingot, who has recently been acquired by Mr H. M. Campbell, M.P., was the most fancied for the Ladies' Bracelet, Waipureku, who ran in Mrs W. J. Douglas' nomination, coming next in demand. The favourite, nicely piloted by Mr G. D. Beatson, duly materialised, scoring handily by a three lengths' margin from Prince Eddie, who settled Merry Lad by a half-length for second berth. Aurana, one of the Hon. J. D. Ormond's New Zealand Cup entrants, was also one of those engaged in the event, and she hit out in a fast, speedy style for about a mile, when she went back from first place to the rear division.

With a rise of 11 pounds in the weight as compared with what he carried in the Bracelet on Wednesday, and a-quarter of a mile less to cover, Flingot was again made favourite on Friday, Fair Average, a rising four-year-old daughter of General Average, and Helene, coming next in favour. Backers were wide of the mark as regards their opinions, for Lord Kilcheran, one of the little-fancied battalions, led from start to finish, Mr A. Best landing him a victor by the best part of a length from Fair Average, with the favourite third. Lord Kilcheran is a well-bred horse by Kilcheran out of Strathspey by Gipsy Grand—Reel.

The only double-event winner at the meeting was Thrave, who won the two open flat handicaps at the gathering. He finished up his tasks in a most resolute style, and demonstrated that he has pace and courage of a high order. In his first annexation, the Heretaunga Handicap, he was opposed by fifteen other runners, Waikheua being the favourite, Thrave being second selection. At the finish his closest attendant was Loch Maben, who only got the second place verdict from Mount Victoria by the barest of heads. Loch Maben got dealt with at the send-off, for Irish Rifle swung right across him.

Irish Rifle was one of the neglected division on Wednesday, but in the Final Handicap on Friday he was second favourite to Thrave. On this occasion the son of Musketry was ridden by Mr J. Bull, his pilot in the Heretaunga having been H. Telford. He cut up badly, for he could not get into the first five, Cullinan and San Phue being second and third respectively. Thrave, who was bred on his owner's estate, Te Mahanga

The remaining flat event on the two-days' card, the Raukawa Hack, brought out the big field of fifteen runners, the First Blood gelding Blend being the selected goods. He

who was about half that distance in front of another veteran in Tonderghie, whose fencing in the last three obstacles was not of the clean order. Had his display been better he would probably have reversed places with Rosegrove. The second favourite was the only other one to complete the course.

The appearance of Longboat, the full-brother to Dorando, who has been giving talented exhibitions of lepping on the preparing grounds, in the Hunt Cup Steeplechase attracted the majority of backers to his support, and he was soon established as a firm favourite, Wheturangi, who hails from the other coast of the Island, coming next in demand, The Chief being third choice. The favourite got speed on quickly, and led from Pukeroa, with The Chief lying handy. The sod wall gave Pukeroa his dismissal, and The Chief went on in close pursuit of the favourite, who fell at the next fence, and this made matters very easy for The Chief. Morihiko, who is the property of Mr H. Hassall, the Master of the Hawke's Bay Hounds, was second, Wheturangi being third.

In the Havelock Hack Steeplechase, The Chief and Longboat again met. The Chief being favourite. The old chap put up a noble fight to win the contest, but just when victory seemed to be assured to him, Makiri threw out a challenge, and landed the stake by a bare half-length, with Longboat third. Donzel, who was piloted by Jerry O'Connell, was a good winner by several lengths at five furlongs from home, but he put himself out of court by running off at the brush fence.

got beaten, however. The best he could do was to get fourth, the award coming to Diavolo, a half-brother by Wehikore to Theodore, Sublims, and Eydane. He was one of the outside, and returned his admirers the best dividend of the meeting.

FIRST DAY.

The Hawke's Bay Jockey Club's winter meeting opened on Thursday in fine weather and before a large attendance. The totalisator handled £11,297, against £9128 for the first day of the last winter meeting, an increase of £2169. Results:—

WOODLANDS HACK STEEPLECHASE HANDICAP of 120sovs. About two miles.

3—Mr. J. McCordle's b g Tyrannic, by Tyranny—Black Jacket, aged, 10.10 (T. Traill) 1
5—Mr. A. Hathaway's Rosegrove, 9.12 (F. Meagher) 2
8—Mr. A. Neale's Tonderghie, 9.7 (R. Gray) 3
Also started: 1 Donzel 10.2, 4 Mollington 10.0, 9 Jessimine 9.10, 2 Makiri 9.7, 7 Pukeroa 9.7, 6 Quandary 9.7. Tyrannic won by six lengths, with three lengths between second and third. Makiri was the only other one to complete the course. Time, 4min 21sec.

LADIES' BRACELET HANDICAP of 100sovs. One mile and a-half. Gentleman riders.

1—Mrs. H. M. Campbell's b g Flingot, by Musketry—Lady Isabella, aged, 12.9 (Mr. G. Beatson) 1
3—Mrs. J. McLaughlin's Prince Eddie, 10.7 (Mr. A. Best) 2
7—Mrs. C. Haldane's Merrie Lad, 10.12 (Mr. E. Melvor) 3
Also started: 6 Manitau 11.3, 4 Composed 11.4, 8 Aurana 10.13, 2 Waipureku 10.12, 9 Raukawa 10.7, 5 Morning 10.7, 10 Tupaea 10.7. Won very easily by three lengths. Time, 2min 41sec.

HAWKE'S BAY HURDLES of 250sovs. Two miles.

5—Mr. D. Noake's b g Koran, by Pilgrim's Progress—Mantelpiece, aged, 9.11 (E. Copestake) 1
1—Mr. A. M. Wright's Stevens, 10.2 (C. Price) 2
2—Mr. G. B. Oman's Paisano, 11.10 (T. Jones) 3
Also started: 6 Black Northern 12.5, 4 Waiputere 10.8, 3 Idealism 10.3, 8 Elfish 9.0, 7 Kaurua 9.0. Won easily by ten lengths, a length between second and third. Time, 3min 51sec.

HAWKE'S BAY STEEPLECHASE HANDICAP of 400sovs. About three miles.

1—Mr. H. J. Cameron's b g Glenmore, by Captain Webb—Somnus mare, aged, 10.2 (R. Thompson) 1
3—Messrs. McLennan Bros.' Beeline, 9.12 (A. Julian) 2
7—Mr. F. Armstrong's The Spaniard, 9.7 (R. Gray) 3
Also started: 4 Whakaweira 10.8, 2 Appin 10.0, 5 Winiata 9.12, 6 Flamingo 9.9. Glenmore was at once taken to the front, Appin and Whakaweira following in that order. At the stand Glenmore had three lengths the better of Appin. Whakaweira here ran off, as his bridle was broken, and the jockey could not steer him on to the fence. Going up the back straight, the order was Glenmore, Appin and The Spaniard. The same order was maintained on the whole of the round. At the double just before entering the straight, Appin turned turtle, leaving Glenmore to win by a furlong. About the same distance separated second and third. Winiata fell. Time, 5min 40sec.

WHAKATU HACK HANDICAP HURDLES of 100sovs. One mile and three-quarters.

5—Mr. C. Tricklebank's ch g Bravest, by Coeur de Lion—Rasulka, 6yrs, 9.0 (A. Julian) 1
4—Mr. H. J. Cameron's Nescot, 9.5 (J. Jones) 2
9—Mr. Tangatake Hapuku's Master Stead, 9.0 (F. Cross) 3
Also started: 6 St. Toney 10.8, 7 Bismarck 10.3, 3 Golden Loop 10.1, 2 Merriwa 10.0, 1 Moahau 9.7, 8 Aema 9.2, 10 Waiao 9.0. Won easily by two lengths, a length and a-half between second and third. Time, 3min 18sec.

HUNT CUP STEEPLECHASE HANDICAP, a cup value 10 guineas, with 40sovs added. Two miles and a-half.

3—Mr. W. A. Tod's ch g The Chief, by Jet d'Eau—Opawa mare, aged, 11.12 (A. Julian) 1
4—Mr. H. Hassall's Morihiro, 11.0 (R. Gray) 2
2—Mr. G. A. Wheeler's Wheturangi, 10.10 (Mr. G. Hirst) 3
Also started: 1 Longboat 10.13, 6 Cavil 10.13, 7 Otupai 10.10, 8 Zomerzet 10.7, 5 Pukeroa 10.7. Won by half a furlong, a furlong separating second and third. Time, 5min 14sec.

HERETAUNGA HANDICAP of 150sovs. Seven furlongs.

2—Mr. A. F. Douglas's br g Thrave, by Torpedo—Carnelian, 4yrs, 9.2 (H. Tricklebank) 1
3—Mr. N. M. White's Loch Mabin, 9.5 (T. Jones) 2
5—Mr. H. Whitney's Mount Victoria, 9.5 (S. Reid) 3
Also started: 12 Sublime 10.2, 8 Irish Rife 10.7, 1 Lord Renown 9.12, 6 San Pluie 9.10, 7 Alexis 9.7, 11 Cullinan 9.6, 14 Kilosteri 9.6, 9 Vi 9.5, 13 Amato 9.2, 1 Waikheua 9.2, 14 Miss Jewel 9.0, 4 Moutoa Girl 9.0, 10 Easy 9.0. Won by two lengths, with a head between second and third. Time, 1min 30sec.

SECOND DAY.

The meeting was concluded on Saturday, in beautiful weather, and before a good attendance. The course was heavy, after the recent rain. The totalisator handled £9715. The total for the two days was £21,012, compared with £20,938 for the last winter meeting. Results:—

KIDNAPPER HACK HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 100sovs. One mile and a-half.

2—Mr. W. J. Peacock's ch g Bandalero, by Daunt—Waimariri, 5yrs, 9.5 1/2 (Jerry O'Connell) 1
1—Mr. J. Fryer's St. Toney, 10.7 (R. Kelly) 2
5—Mr. C. Tricklebank's Bravest, 10.0 (F. Flynn) 3
Also started: 3 Faunus 10.11, 7 Julian 10.3, 6 Waipureku 10.3, 10 Golden Loop 10.1, 12 Merriwa 9.12, 4 Nescot 9.10, 8 Master Stead 9.7, 11 Prince Eddie 9.0, 4 Aema 9.0, 13 Waiao 9.0. Won comfortably by four lengths, a length separating second and third. Time, 2min 54sec.

HAVELOCK HACK STEEPLECHASE HANDICAP of 120sovs. About two miles.

8—Mr. Isaac Johnston's b g Makiri, by Addington—Hoyden, aged, 9.7 (J. O'Connell) 1
1—Mr. W. A. Tod's The Chief, 11.1 (A. Julian) 2
2—J. Macniven's Longboat, 9.9 (R. Gray) 3
Also started: 4 Donzel 10.0, 3 Rosegrove 10.0, 9 Haurere 9.10, 11 Jessimine 9.12 1/2, 5 Pukeroa 9.7, 7 Tonderghie 9.7, 10 Whoturangi 10.0, 12 Cavil 9.7, 7 Quandary 9.7, 6 Morihiro 9.11 1/2. Won by half a length, with a length and a-half between second and third. Time, 4min 20sec.

TURAMOE HANDICAP HURDLES of 150sovs. One mile and three-quarters.

2—Hon. J. D. Ormond's br g Idealism, by Birkenhead—Ideal, 5yrs, 10.0 (A. Julian) 1
6—Mr. R. Kerchona's Elfish, 9.0 (Joe O'Connell) 2
4—Mr. J. Bruce's Waiputere, 10.5 (Jerry O'Connell) 3
Also started: 1 Paisano 11.13, 3 Ambrosian 9.4, 5 Kaurua 9.0. Won by three lengths, with ten lengths between second and third. Time, 3min 21sec.

LADIES' NECKLACE of 65sovs (on the flat). One mile and a-quarter.

7—Mrs. G. H. Manville's br g Lord Kilcheran, by Kilcheran—Strathspay, 5yrs, 10.7 (Mr. A. Best) 1
2—Mrs. J. Landel's Fair Average, 10.7 (Mr. A. Hyde) 2
1—Mrs. H. M. Campbell's Flingot, 13.6 (Mr. G. Beatson) 3
Also started: 4 Manitau 11.6, 5 Composed 11.3, 9 Alpheus 10.13, 3 Ngakau 10.12, 8 Tupaea 10.7, 6 Morning 10.7, 10 Raukawa 10.7. Won all out by a length. Flingot was a length further off. Time, 2min 20sec.

JUNE STEEPLECHASE of 200sovs. About two miles and a-half.

3—Mr. H. H. Cathedral's b g Whakaweira, by Pilgrim's Progress—Espanola, aged, 10.8 (F. Flynn) 1
1—Mr. H. G. Cameron's Glenmore, 10.11 (J. Jones) 2
5—Mr. H. D. Buchanan's Flamingo, 9.7 (G. Caddy) 3
Also started: 2 Tyrannic 10.2, 4 The Spaniard 9.7. Glenmore and Tyrannic were first away, but both ran off at the second jump of the double in front of the stand. They were taken back and jumped, following the field. Flamingo and Whakaweira were leading on the second round, with The Spaniard next. The latter blundered at the double in front of the stand, and lost his rider. Flamingo fell when landing at the sod wall on the last round, but was remounted, and got third money. Whakaweira won by 300 yards. Flamingo was a furlong further back. Time, 5min 35sec.

RAUKAWA HACK HANDICAP of 100 sovs. Seven furlongs.

12—Mr. P. P. Neagle's b g Diavolo, by Waikoura—Heavenly Twin, 3yrs, 9.0 (B. Oliver) 1
2—Hon. J. D. Ormond's Missile, 9.0 (W. Ryan) 2
13—Mr. J. S. McNaughton's Merrie Valet, 9.3 (Stan Reid) 3
Also started: 3 Waikheua 10.7, 9 Manupai 9.9, 8 Amaru 9.9, 1 Blend 9.8, 4 Easy 9.4, 12 Arohakau 9.3, 11 Trieze 9.2, 5 Mozella 9.2, 6 Berocla 9.2, 13 Right Oh 9.0, 10 Hinemanu 9.0, 7 Sir Donald 9.0. Won by a length, with a length and a-half between second and third. Time, 1min 34sec.

FINAL HANDICAP of 100sovs. Six furlongs.

1—Mr. A. F. Douglas's br g Thrave, by Torpedo—Carnelian, 4yrs, 10.0 (B. Deeley) 1
8—Mr. J. Griffiths' Cullinan, 9.4 (H. Griffiths) 2
6—Mr. F. Bilston's San Pluie, 9.6 (W. Ryan) 3
Also started: 2 Irish Rife 10.5, 9 Sublime 9.13, 4 Lord Renown 9.11, 7 Loch Mabin 9.9, 5 Alexis 9.5, 4 Moutoa Girl 9.0. Won easily by a length and a-half, with a length between second and third. Time 1min 19sec.

NOMINATIONS.

AVONDALE JOCKEY CLUB.

The following are the nominations for classic events to be decided by the Avondale Jockey Club:—

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Mr. Frank Ross' br c, Soult—Lady Musket
Messdames Foss and Steuart's br c, Soult—Hotcherina
Mr. J. H. Walters' ch f, Gluten—Lady Rose
Mr. D. McKinnon's b c Soult—Hesper
Mr. F. Stenning's ch c, Monoform—Miss Jack
Mr. H. Carter's ch f, Gladstone—Brigadier—Queen Mab mare
Mr. P. Hall's b f, Soult—Erry Roe
Mr. J. Williamson's b f, Soult—St. Edith
Mr. J. Williamson's b f, Field Battery—Killarney
Mr. H. Weal's ch c, Spalpeen—Eplinge
Mr. H. Weal's b f, St. Amyer—Love
Mr. Donald McLeod's b f, Soult—Winsome
Mr. P. Quirke's gr c, Joe Chamberlain—Athol Brose
Mr. H. Friedlander's ch f, Boniform—Lady Lochiel

Mr. H. Friedlander's br f, Soult—Czarrevna
Mr. J. O. E. Jackson's br c, Soult—Caller Ou
Mr. R. Hannon's b c, Lupin—St. Crespin mare
Mr. R. Hannon's br c, Stepniak—Mignon
Mr. R. Hannon's ch f, Stepniak—Millie
Mr. N. Banks' br f, Stepniak—Mata-mataharakiki
Messrs. Kidd and Stone's b c, Gluten—Did
Mr. T. H. Lowry's br f, Stepniak—Peace
Mr. J. T. Ryan's ch c, Obligado—Sweet Alice
Mr. E. Shee Evelyn's ch c, Obligado—Cadence
Mr. H. De Latour's ch f, Obligado—Lady Alys
Messdames Foss and Steuart's b c, Hierarch—Gweniad
Messrs. Mathias and Barrett's br c, Gluten—Alicia
Mr. J. Twobill's br f, Soult—Lady Clare
Mr. E. J. Rae's b c, Gluten—Lady Lila
Mr. A. D. McCordle's b c, Pukaki—Chic
Mr. R. Duder's br f, Soult—Minola Bianca.

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Mr. D. Maher's ch f, Obligado—Cyreniaca
Mr. E. Hussey's ch c, Obligado—Cyrinia
Mr. Fred Hall's b c, Obligado—Cyrense
Messrs. W. G. and G. L. Stead's ch g, Obligado—Cyrenienne
Mr. F. W. Arnold's ch f, Obligado—Tito
Mr. Jas. Duma's b f, Hierarch—Crecy
Mr. V. Bolger's b c, Hierarch—Harpist
Mr. E. Shee Evelyn's b c, Hierarch—Merry Soult
Mr. P. F. Stanfield's br c, Gluten—Princess Alice
Mr. John Harper's br c, Soult—Lady Arawa
Mr. H. Friedlander's b f, Soult—St. Edith
Mr. Fred Hall's b f, Soult—Elf
Mr. H. Friedlander's b c, Soult—Merry Nif
Mr. H. J. Connop's b f, Soult—Corusa
Messdames Foss and Steuart's br c, Soult—Lady Hester
Mr. Frank Ross' br c, Soult—Lady Musket
Mr. W. Campton's ch c, Monoform—Leona
Mr. R. H. Duder's br f, Soult—Cuirassette
Mr. Geo. A. Duncan's br f, Salvadoran—Minola Bianca
Mr. R. H. Duder's br f, Wairiki—Miss Cuirassier
Mr. W. Davies' ch c, Wairiki—Bad News
Mr. A. McMillan's br c, Salvadoran—La Annie
Mr. J. D. Kemp's br c, Powerful—Electra
Mr. J. D. Kemp's br c, Merriwee—Quiltineer
Mr. F. E. Loom's br f, Field Battery—Vexation
Mr. W. Cook's ch f, Field Battery—Moira-Ma-Chree
Mr. F. McManemin's ch c, Monoform—Latona
Mr. W. K. Karaitiana's b f, Monoform—Cardoon
Mr. John Whittaker's br f, Monoform—Brown Rose
Mr. W. K. Karaitiana's ch f, Monoform—Amorelle
Mr. E. Donovan's ch c, Gluten—Missie Hippo
Mr. D. McKinnon's b f, Monoform—Miss Symon
Mr. J. Cavanagh's b f, Spalpeen—Waimangu
Mr. H. DeLatour's ch c, Monoform—Daffodil
Mr. H. R. McKenzie's b c, Starina—Lady Flora
Mr. A. Bach's br f, Gladstone—Lady Hune
Mr. W. Montgomery's b f, Soult—Lady Regal
Mr. E. Hussey's b f, Soult—Gladys Rose
Mr. R. Hannon's br f, Gluten—Mignon
Mr. C. E. Major's br f, Sir Laddo—Alfalfa
Mr. J. Twobill's b f, Soult—Lady Clare
Mr. J. Twobill's b c, Soult—Castorline

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Mr. Frank Ross' br c, Soult—Lady Musket
Messdames Foss and Steuart's br c, Soult—Hotcherina
Mr. W. Walters' b f, Soult—Merry Nif
Mr. W. Walters' br c, Field Battery—Soul Girl
Mr. J. H. Walters' ch f, Gluten—Lady Rose
Mr. D. McKinnon's b c Soult—Hesper
Mr. F. Stenning's ch c, Monoform—Miss Jack
Mr. H. Carter's ch f, Gladstone—Brigadier—Queen Mab mare
Mr. L. Harris' b f, Hierarch—Inurangi
Mr. J. B. Harris' b c, Hierarch—Rangiaru
Mr. W. H. Dawson's br f, Soult—Lyditte
Mr. F. Hall's b f, Soult—Erry Roe
Mr. R. C. Wallace's ch c, Monoform—Orange and Blue
Mr. J. Williamson's b f Soult—St. Edith
Mr. J. Williamson's b f, Field Battery—Killarney
Mr. H. Weal's ch c, Spalpeen—Eplinge
Mr. Donald McLeod's b f, Soult—Winsome
Mr. P. Quirke's gr c, Joe Chamberlain—Athol Brose
Mr. H. Friedlander's ch f, Boniform—Lady Lochiel
Mr. H. Friedlander's br f, Soult—Czarrevna
Mr. W. Nidd's br f, Achilles—Prelude
Mr. E. J. Watt's br c, Achilles—Lady Helen
Mr. J. G. Duncan's br c, Achilles—Report
Mr. G. D. Greenwood's ch f, Achilles—Chinwag
Mr. I. O. E. Jackson's br c, Soult—Caller Ou
Mr. E. J. Watt's ch c, Achilles—Stepina
Mr. G. D. Greenwood's ch f, Achilles—Tortulla
"Mr Highden's" br f, Charlemagne II.—Angele
Mr Chas. Wadley's b c, Sir Laddo—Rumour
Mr Geo. Nash's br c, Benzonian—Miss Phyllis
Mr J. Cavanagh's ch f, Spalpeen—Waimangu
Mr Frank Dye's b c, Stepniak—Miss Pauline
Mr. R. Hannon's b c, Lupin—St. Crespin mare
Mr. R. Hannon's br c, Stepniak—Mignon
Mr. R. Hannon's ch f, Stepniak—Millie
Mr. N. Banks' br f, Stepniak—Mata-mataharakiki
Mr W. Montgomery's br f, Soult—Lady Regal

Messrs. Kidd and Stone's b c, Gluten—Did
Mr A. H. Bennett's ch c, Stepniak—The Dell
Mr Frank Ross' ch f, Stepniak—Crecy
Mr. T. H. Lowry's br f, Stepniak—Peace
Mr. J. T. Ryan's ch c, Obligado—Sweet Alice
Mr G. D. Greenwood's ch f, Obligado—Cyreniaca
Mr. E. Shee Evelyn's ch c, Obligado—Cadence
Mr. H. De Latour's ch f, Obligado—Lady Alys
Mr A. H. Bennett's b f, Obligado—Cyrouse
Messdames Foss and Steuart's b c, Hierarch—Gweniad
Mr A. H. Bennett's b c, Hierarch—Te Huinga
Mr W. Curtis' b f, Hierarch—Agatha
Messrs. Mathias and Barrett's br c, Gluten—Alicia
Mr. J. Twobill's br f, Soult—Lady Clare
Mr. E. J. Rae's b c, Gluten—Lady Lila
Mr. A. D. McCordle's b c, Pukaki—Chic
Mr S. G. Lindsay's b f, Royal Soult—Yolette
Mr. R. Duder's br f, Soult—Minola Bianca.

WELLINGTON RACING CLUB'S WINTER MEETING.

FIRST DAY.

STEWARDS' HANDICAP, seven furlongs.—Parewanui, Sea Queen, Beacon, La Reina, Montiform, Waipunui, Mira, Shuja, Leapuki, Ngatimuru, Deploy, Te Roti, Ardfer, Alexis, Patriotic, Afterthought, Ladrone, Longstep, Mallard, Crown Pearl, Odessa, Mt. Victoria, Kilosteri, Ngatiruanui, Sea King, Sublime, San Pluie, Cullinan, Irish Rife, Curator.

FIRST HACK AND HUNTERS' STEEPLECHASE, two miles and a-half.—Master Paul, Nedra, Armagh, Tui Cakobau, Hawick, St. Amelia, Gold Bird, Wheturangi, Soman, Knutsford, Parakiore, Torbelle, Don Carlos, Te Rahu, My Motor, Whimper, Jack (late Dauber), Highden, Comedian, Donzel, Retainer, Taiaha, Makiri, Beeline, The Chief, Wirihana, Longboat, Game, Garrison.

WELLINGTON STEEPLECHASE, about three miles and a-quarter.—Sir Lethe, Master Paul, Hautere, Okaihau, Tui Cakobau, Continuance, Knutsford, Antarctic, Lugeon, Black Northern, Te Rahu, Paritutu, Donzel, Zante, Compass, Dorando, Captain Jingle, Quandary, Beeline, Glenmore, Whakaweira, Appin, The Chief, The Spaniard, Swarthmoor.

PARLIAMENTARY HANDICAP, one mile and a-quarter.—Sir Frisco, Montiform Sea Queen, La Reina, Fair Average, Mira, Coronetted, Sir Tristram, Miscount, Bolin, Rauparaha, Countermine, Spate, Mulga Bill, Sir Knox, Undecided, Brown Trout, Royal Arms, Uhlano, Julian, John, Salute, San Pluie, The Rover, Loch Mabin.

WINTER HURDLES, two miles.—White Cockade, Jack Ashore, Paisano, St. Kelvin, Coronetted, The Native, Bolin, Idealism, Faunus, Silver Cluse, Koran, Kildonan, Black Northern, Seaman, Goodwin Park, Baldos, Bismarck, Sandy Paul, Windage, Captain, Darby Paul, Compass, Bandalero, Julian, Master Theory, Elfish, Uranium, Merriwa, Waterworks, Nescot, The Rover, Game, Gaelic.

TE ARO HANDICAP, six furlongs.—Torpoint, Merrimax, Gay Lawless, Outward, Peggy, Perceler, Prosper, Blend, War Queen, Serenity, Strategist, Epworth, Dogfish, Royal, Grandee, Miss Ambrose, Otarua, Mallard, St. Helena, Kilrain, Wanea, Ceylon, Taketumu, St. Serf, Diavolo, Manupai, Amaru, Coolbeggin, Toney, Whacine, Piriwai, Ladrone.

SECOND DAY.

ONSLow HANDICAP, six furlongs.—Parewanui, Beacon, Leapuki, Peary, Outward, Deploy, Te Roti, Countermine, Alexis, Patriotic, Ladrone, Afterthought, Parakau, Longstep, Mallard, Crown Pearl, Mount Victoria, Ngatiruanui, Sea King, Sublime, Amaru, Cullinan, Irish Rife, Curator, Piriwai.

SECOND HACK AND HUNTERS' STEEPLECHASE, two miles and a-half.—Master Paul, Nedra, Armagh, Gold Bird, Hawick, St. Amelia, Addnought, Ngatimuru, Wheturangi, Soman, Knutsford, Parakiore, Torbelle, Don Carlos, Te Rahu, My Motor, Whimper, Jack, Highden, Comedian, Donzel, Retainer, Taiaha, Makiri, Beeline, Wirihana, The Chief, Longboat, Game, Pukeroa, Garrison.

CROFTON HANDICAP, seven furlongs.—Torpoint, Merrimax, Perceler, Ladrone, Peary, War Queen, Strategist, Blend, Dogfish, Royal, Grandee, Serenity, Miss Ambrose, Kew, Otarua, Killrain, Ceylon, Diavolo, Manupai, Amaru, Coolbeggin, Toney.

JULY STEEPLECHASE, two miles and a-half.—Master Paul, Sir Lethe, Tui Cakobau, Nedra, Okaihau, Hautere, Armagh, Hawick, Continuance, Knutsford, St. Amelia, Antarctic, Black Northern, Lugeon, Paritutu, Te Rahu, Whimper, Highden, Donzel, Compass, Taiaha, Zante, Dorando, Captain Jingle, Beeline, Quandary, Glenmore, Appin, The Chief, Longboat, Whakaweira, Swarthmoor, The Spaniard, Flamingo.

WINTER OATS, one mile.—La Reina, Sir Frisco, Sea Queen, Montiform, Waipunui, Fair Average, Shuja, Mira, Sir Tristram, Prosper, Ngatimuru, Miscount, Peary, Deploy, Strategist, Rauparaha, Countermine, Spate, Ardfer, Patriotic, Mulga Bill, Sir Knox, Undecided, Brown Trout, Mallard, St. Helena, Royal Arms, Odessa, Ngatiruanui, Julian, Kilosteri, John, Salute, Sea King, San Pluie, The Rover, Sublime, Loch Mabin, Coolbeggin, Cullinan, Irish Rife, Curator.

FINAL HURDLE HANDICAP, one mile and three-quarters.—White Cockade, Jack Ashore, Beacon, Paisano, St. Kelvin, Coronetted, The Native, Bolin, Idealism, Faunus, Silver Cluse, Koran, Te Roti, Kildonan, Black Northern, Seaman, Goodwin Park, Baldos, Sandy Paul, Aema, Uhlano, Windage, Bismarck, St. Toney, Captain, John, Darby Paul, Bandalero, Julian, Master Theory, Merriwa, Elfish, Uranium, Waterworks, Gaelic, Nescot, Game, Swarthmoor.

KIA ORA HANDICAP, six furlongs.—Torpoint, Sweet Breeze, Gay Lawless, Peggy, Perceler, Outward, War Queen, Serenity, Blend, Epworth, Dogfish, Miss Ambrose, Grandee, Kew, St. Helena, Wanea, Mediterranean, Prosper, Take-tumu, Diavolo, St. Serf, Manupai, Coolbeggin, Amaru, Whacine, Courtly, Ladrone, Apeke, Piriwai.

# THE FOOTBALL WORLD.

The Auckland Rugby Union's club championships were continued on Saturday in cold, showery weather, but this did not deter Rugbyites from journeying to Alexandra Park, about 2000 onlookers being present. No. 1 ground was allotted for the match between City and University, and in view of the former's drawn game with College Rifles on the previous Saturday many Rugger enthusiasts were to be found venturing the opinion that the City men would have to give a good account of themselves to secure a victory. This prediction was practically fulfilled, the Cityites failing to reproduce their best form, the consequence being that they had to be content with a drawn game for the second Saturday in succession, each side scoring three points. The result of the match has an important bearing on the championship, since it places Marist Bros. in the lead, but as City is but one point behind, they are still in a position to win the championship should they succeed in defeating Marist Bros. in the Cup final on Saturday week. City, when they meet Marists, will require to secure a straightout win in order to become the 1912 champion team of Auckland, for a draw would probably prove fatal to their chance of success, as outside of the City-Marist match there remains but one game to be played by each of the teams to conclude the club fixtures. City's inability to defeat University on Saturday is, when one comes to consider that the students have not won a solitary game this season, not calculated to place the Cityites' chances of victory against Marists in a favourable light, and even admitting that they played with extremely bad luck on Saturday, there will need to be an all-round improvement in their work when they meet the leading team in the competition.

On No. 2 ground the Ponsonby and College Rifles fifteens disputed honours, victory finally going to the former team by the narrow margin of three points to nil. The improved play of the College team each succeeding Saturday, culminating with a drawn game with City, made it appear as though they would secure the upper hand over the Ponsonby team, who have not been responsible for any remarkable displays since they drew with City in the opening match of the season. College Rifles, however, failed to play with anything approaching their usual combination and dash, and with Ponsonby only shaping moderately well, the match resolved itself into a rather mediocre exhibition of football, in which the heavier team fared better than their opponents, particularly when the ground became sodden as the result of heavy rain falling after the first half. Parnell and Marist Bros. met on No. 4 ground, the latter fifteen proving victorious by nine points to nil, after an evenly-contested game, in which Marists secured only one try, their other points being made up through goal kicking. Despite its evenness the game was not an interesting one to watch, being of a scrambly nature, whilst during the second half the forwards practically monopolised the play.

University's drawn game with City marks the fourth occasion this season on which the students have finished matches with the points level. It might, therefore, be thought that the students are an unlucky combination, otherwise, it will be argued, one or two of the drawn games played by them would have ended in their favour. On Saturday, however, they must be accounted decidedly lucky in establishing a drawn game with City, for they got out of tight corners in miraculous fashion on several occasions. There can be little doubt that City should have won, but associated with their bad luck was a good deal of ragged play, so that they would hardly have been entitled to a victory. Whereas a marked superiority was looked for in the City forwards, such was not the case, the 'Varsity front division almost holding their own; in fact, there were many in-

stances in the game where the students beat the Cityites badly in the loose. The City forwards did not uphold their reputation, their lack of cohesion, especially in the dribbling rushes, spoiling many a good chance on the attack. There was no question of the City forwards being the stronger pack, but their failure to work in unison robbed them of the advantage they had in weight, although in the scrums they asserted their superiority. The 'Varsity forwards, despite the absence of the burly McDuff, gave their best display so far this season, for instead of allowing Bilkey to take a solo part in the rushes as in past matches, they assisted their dashing winger time after time. It was by dint of good combination that the light blue forwards were able to successfully withstand the efforts of the aggressive Cityites, for the students lost no time in reinforcing each other when a weakness threatened in their first line of defence through the failure of one or more of their number to cope with the determined attack of the City men.

The City-University match did not reach the high standard of play that prevailed in the City-College Rifles match the previous week, and the spectators were only roused to excitement in the closing stages. Whereas sheer doggedness on the part of the students was chiefly responsible for University making a draw of their match with City, it was undoubted brilliancy which enabled the College Rifles team to emerge from their contest against the red and blacks with the points even. The College Rifles backs played spectacular football of a thrilling nature, but University relied principally upon their forwards in their match with City. The 'Varsity backs, however, took a prominent part in keeping the City men in check, but their work seldom amounted to brilliancy, while they had a severe handicap to contend with in the shape of an erratic full-back. With the exception of the times Fryer initiated some clever openings, the 'Varsity rearguard were rarely seen to advantage on the attack, the students being fully burdened with work in stemming the advance of the Cityites. The City backs were by no means formidable on the attack, individuality and sound defence being their strongest points. They are not a good attacking combination, but what they lack in this respect is fully compensated for by their effective defensive tactics, which prove a constant source of trouble to the team opposing City.

Assisted by a strong south-west wind in the first quarter the students made a bold showing against the Cityites, the 'Varsity backs inaugurating several passing runs which, however, were never allowed to become very dangerous, City's defence being solid. The City forwards showed an inclination to get offside, several penalties being given against them, with the result that Macky kicked a splendid goal, the quarter ending with the score: University 3, City nil. On changing ends play was repeatedly pulled up by marks, from which Moffit had several unsuccessful kicks at goal. The City vanguard kept up a constant pressure, and finally the students' barrier was broken, Power registering a try for City, which was not converted. University 3, City 3.

During spell-time the rain came down in torrents, and the ground was in a very slippery condition when play was resumed. 'Varsity continued to hold their own for a while against the Cityites, but eventually the strain began to tell on the lighter team, and City carried matters to their opponents' territory, but despite frequent attempts to pierce the students' defence, the quarter was concluded without score.

In the final quarter the City men appeared to have the students beaten, but something always nullified their attacking movements at the critical juncture. University were hemmed in close to their line time after time, and a score for City looked a certainty, but many a good chance went to the wall through passing the ball for-

ward, and off-side play. City plainly had their opponents well in hand at this stage, and it must have been disheartening to them to have all their attempts at scoring go astray. 'Varsity managed to keep the scores equal, the bell affording them a welcome relief.

Of the City forwards the most prominent were Collett, Bruce and Forsyth, the first-named playing a particularly fine game.

Moffit, at full-back, was the safest back on the ground, and his presence in the City rearguard largely accounted for University's failure to cross their opponents' line successfully on a single occasion during the match. He fielded the ball with smartness and accuracy, seldom affording the students an opportunity to get near enough to him to cause City's supporters any anxiety. Moffit played coolly throughout, and invariably made good use of the line.

Fitzgerald, on the wing three-quarter, was not overburdened with work, and rarely did he show up at all prominently, there being an uncertainty about his play.

Stewart, at centre, took the ball with his customary safeness, and kicked well, but did not show to advantage in attack, few chances coming his way.

A. Power, on the wing three-quarter, justified his inclusion, and especially in the early stages of the game rendered useful service. Several times he put City in a good attacking position, but there were occasions when his handling of the ball was at fault.

Barclay, at five-eighths, improved on his former displays, but his passing is still open to improvement, for he threw the ball about wildly at times. He was somewhat slow in getting rid of the ball, and would be of more assistance to his side were he to study his fellow backs more than was the case on Saturday. His tackling was good, however, and he never shunned getting down to the 'Varsity forward rushes, which were quite a feature of the match.

H. Thomas, at first five-eighths, was continually cropping up where he was most wanted, and as his opportunities on the attack were limited, he was mostly employed in defensive work. His effective stopping meant much to the Cityites, for many of the students most promising rushes were nipped in the bud as the result of his sound defensive methods.

P. Thomas' display at half was not convincing, his moderate showing in the first spell being much below his usual form. He erred badly in the important matter of getting the ball away smartly to his backs, while his defence was not nearly as solid as is usually characteristic of him. He livened up, however, in the second half, the result being the City backs frequently got under way, but the greasy nature of the ball made passing runs a difficult operation.

Among the 'Varsity forwards, Bilkey, on the wing, was the mirror on the mantelpiece, for he shone all day. On his form this season, he is without doubt the best wing forward in Auckland. Bamford and Wills were a pair of grafters in the 'Varsity forwards, both being responsible for sterling games.

Johnston, at full-back, was the weak spot in the 'Varsity rearguard, and when he did make a blunder he generally blundered badly. It is remarkable how the 'Varsity men retrieved some of Johnson's serious mistakes, for he let the students down properly on several occasions. Other times he fielded safely, and kicked strongly and with good direction, which makes it hard to understand why he should show such feeble defence. Probably his failure to rise to the occasion was prompted through anxiousness.

Fryer, at centre three-quarter, was the shining light in the 'Varsity backs. His play was like ice-skating by champions, all easy and angles. He was everywhere, but could not have been so useful to his side had he not got out of his position a good deal. His swerving runs were executed with great strategy, and enabled him times out of number to beat his man and get in his kick, which in the case of a less experienced player would have been taking an unnecessary risk. His defence was better than he has given this season, and he is undoubtedly a big asset to Auckland football.

Macky, on the wing three-quarter, gave a display full of merit, his safe taking of the ball and judicious line-kicking being a great help to University. He is a nippy back, and being a good all-round player, takes rank as one of the best three-quarters in Auckland.

Pearce, on the wing three-quarter, showed up very favourably, doing all that was asked of him in a competent manner. He is a three-quarter of promise.

Stewart, at five-eighths, was a tower of strength to the 'Varsity side, despite that his passing at times was erratic. His powerful line kicks were invaluable, while he tackled in great style.

Gray, as first five-eighths, had a day off, and was frequently found resorting to speculators as a means of defence, which did not look well coming from a player of his calibre. Only occasionally did he give glimpses of his true form.

McDonald gave a plucky exhibition at half, but is a trifle slow in his work behind the scrum. He showed no disinclination to go down to the rushes, his sure tackling being the bright feature of his display.

Contrary to expectations, the Ponsonby team managed to turn the tables on College Rifles, after a game in which there were few exciting incidents. The College gave a rather indifferent display compared to their previous exhibitions, their backs failing to play with their usual consistency. Honours in the forwards lay with Ponsonby, who, being a stronger combination than the College front division, hampered the opposing backs to no small extent. The College backs attempted a number of their characteristic passing runs in the first half, but faulty handling generally brought operations to a halt. The dribbling rushes of the Ponsonby forwards gained considerable ground for the blue and blacks, and one of these resulted in Hall getting across in the first quarter. O'Leary failed with the shot at goal. Ponsonby 3, College Rifles nil. This was the only score registered during the match, the second half of which was played on a ground which had become sodden with rain. Ponsonby made it a forward game in the second spell, and held the advantage throughout, the College players having an anxious time in defending their citadel on account of the slippery state of the ground and ball.

Parnell and Marist Bros. did not provide the onlookers with a very interesting game, although the match was much more evenly contested than the final score—9 points to nil in favour of Marists—would indicate. There was far too much scambly play, and while both teams put considerable dash into their work, there was an almost total lack of system in their efforts. Brilliant flashes of combined play were few and far between, and the most creditable feature of the rival teams was the clever defence displayed. The heavy down-pour of rain at the commencement of the second spell rendered the ground

In such a greasy state that good football was out of the question, and the remainder of the game resolved itself into a battle between the forward divisions in which Marists held the upper hand. From a line-out near Parnell's line Barrett secured the leather and scored a creditable try between the posts, J. O'Brien being successful with the kick at goal. Marists 5, Parnell nil. A few minutes later White potted a good goal from the field for Marists, the final score thus being: Marists 9, Parnell nil.

**NOTES.**

The first inter-union match of the season will be played at Alexandra Park on Saturday, when the Auckland representatives will play the Thames team.

Mr D. Gallaher, selector, has chosen the following team to represent Auckland against the Thames:—Fullback: J. O'Brien (Marist Brothers' Old Boys). Threequarters: Fryer (University), J. D. Stewart (City), McGregor (Ponsonby). Five-eighths: O'Leary (Ponsonby), Weston (College Rifles). Halfback: P. Thomas (City). Wing-forward: Hall (Ponsonby). Forwards: Forsyth (City), Barrett (Marist Brothers' Old Boys), Harper (Parnell), A. C. Wilson (Parnell), Bruce (City), Sellars (Ponsonby), Herring (Marist Brothers' Old Boys). Emergencies: Backs—Macky (University), Wolfgramm (Parnell), Moffit (City). Forwards—Bilkey (University), Collett (City), Carroll (Marist Brothers' Old Boys).

The team selected to represent Auckland are all tried players, nearly all of whom have represented the Northern province in past seasons. J. O'Brien was the Auckland fullback during their Southern tour last year, and though he cannot be said to be playing consistently in club games this season, the good displays he has given warrant his inclusion, as when in his best form he is both a safe and useful man in the position. The three-quarter line should prove an excellent scoring combination, the inclusion of the ex-Canterbury rep. Fryer greatly strengthening that flank. Stewart, at centre, is an unselfish player and his wing three-quarters should not want for chances. McGregor has not showed any particular brilliancy this season, but he has had little opportunity of doing so in the Ponsonby team. He was the star of the Auckland backs during last year's Southern tour, and, being a great scoring man, is easily worth his place. O'Leary is one of Auckland's best backs, and in filling the five-eighths position should prove a good mainstay in the Auckland rearguard. Weston, the College Rifles five-eighths has been given a trial, and his first game for Auckland will be watched with interest. He is a good all-round back, and should retain his position if he does not make the mistake of attempting too much on his own. P. Thomas, at half-

back, earned honours for Auckland in the match against Taranaki last year, and is an experienced player in that position.

The only new member in the Auckland forwards is the ex-Dunedin player, Forsyth, who has been playing well for City in the club games. Hall has been selected as wing forward, but on his form this season he is hardly entitled to the position, both Bilkey (University) and Carroll (Marist Bros.) having shown superior play in past matches.

Iwerson, the brilliant College Rifles wing three-quarter, is not included in the first ten backs selected in connection with the Auckland representative team, but this promising young player may probably be given a chance to distinguish himself in representative football later on, especially if he is one of the participants in the A and B match.

The Thames team to meet Auckland will be as follows:—Fullback, Duffy; three-quarters, J. Glemming, Murphy, Montgomerie; five-eighths, Boles, Joyce; half, McMorran; forwards, G. Crawford, Smith, White, Ryan, T. Crawford, Blackwell Willetts, McKeown; emergencies, Rickit, Dare, Johnson, and Molloy.

J. Wylie, the ex-City forward, who left Auckland a couple of seasons back to take up his residence in Sydney, where he has been playing for



CARLAW, one of New Zealand's most promising backs.

the Glebe Club, was selected in the New South Wales representative Rugby team to play Queensland on Saturday next (June 29), but is unable to make the trip to Brisbane.

The weather was not very pleasant for spectators on Saturday (writes our Wanganui correspondent), when the chief attraction for Rugby followers was the game between the Pirates and Wanganui for the Senior Cup. The Pirates proved far too good for their opponents, and ran out winners by 25 points to 3. Kaierau journeyed to Waverley, and secured a somewhat lucky win by 4 points to 3. Next Saturday, Pirates and Kaierau will meet again, and re-play the game which Pirates won by 8 to nil two weeks ago, but has to be re-played owing to the Pirates playing a man who had not been in the district 14 days. Should Pirates win again, they will retain the championship, but if they lose they will have to meet Kaierau again.

Four forwards and four backs have been nominated by the Auckland Rugby Union for the North Island team against the South. The forwards are Hall, Sellars, Bruce, Barrett, and the backs Fryer, McGregor, Stewart, and O'Leary. Of this number four—Hall, Sellars, McGregor, and O'Leary—belong to the Ponsonby team, which occupies bottom position in the Auckland club championship.



DERVAN, a N.Z. representative.

**POSITIONS OF SENIOR TEAMS IN THE FOUR CENTRES.**

**AUCKLAND R.U. CHAMPIONSHIP.**

|                | P. | W. | L. | D. | For | Ag. | Points |
|----------------|----|----|----|----|-----|-----|--------|
| Marist Bros.   | 8  | 7  | 1  | 0  | 82  | 31  |        |
| City           | 8  | 5  | 0  | 3  | 62  | 18  |        |
| Parnell        | 8  | 3  | 4  | 1  | 41  | 50  |        |
| College Rifles | 8  | 2  | 4  | 2  | 34  | 55  |        |
| Ponsonby       | 8  | 1  | 5  | 2  | 39  | 69  |        |
| University     | 8  | 0  | 4  | 4  | 32  | 71  |        |

**WELLINGTON R.U. CHAMPIONSHIP.**

|                  | P. | W. | L. | D. | For | Ag. | Points |
|------------------|----|----|----|----|-----|-----|--------|
| Petone           | 9  | 8  | 0  | 1  | 145 | 24  |        |
| Oriental         | 9  | 8  | 1  | 0  | 116 | 41  |        |
| Athletic         | 9  | 7  | 1  | 1  | 85  | 30  |        |
| Melrose          | 9  | 6  | 3  | 0  | 106 | 60  |        |
| St. James        | 9  | 4  | 4  | 1  | 78  | 67  |        |
| Wellington       | 8  | 2  | 4  | 2  | 26  | 87  |        |
| Poneke           | 8  | 3  | 5  | 0  | 55  | 64  |        |
| Victoria College | 9  | 1  | 7  | 1  | 69  | 101 |        |
| Southern         | 9  | 1  | 8  | 0  | 31  | 146 |        |

**CANTERBURY R.U. CHAMPIONSHIP.**

|                    | P. | W. | L. | D. | For | Ag. | Points |
|--------------------|----|----|----|----|-----|-----|--------|
| Merivale           | 10 | 9  | 0  | 1  | 196 | 25  |        |
| Sydenham           | 10 | 8  | 1  | 1  | 115 | 56  |        |
| Albion             | 10 | 5  | 3  | 2  | 73  | 87  |        |
| Christchurch       | 10 | 6  | 4  | 0  | 110 | 84  |        |
| Linwood            | 10 | 4  | 5  | 1  | 70  | 90  |        |
| Old Boys           | 10 | 3  | 6  | 1  | 124 | 61  |        |
| Canterbury College | 10 | 2  | 8  | 0  | 37  | 161 |        |
| Marist Bros.       | 10 | 1  | 9  | 0  | 34  | 145 |        |

**OTAGO R.U. CHAMPIONSHIP.**

|                  | P. | W. | L. | D. | For | Ag. | Points |
|------------------|----|----|----|----|-----|-----|--------|
| University       | 8  | 7  | 1  | 0  | 108 | 41  |        |
| Kaikorai         | 8  | 6  | 2  | 0  | 97  | 38  |        |
| Southern         | 8  | 6  | 2  | 0  | 115 | 39  |        |
| Zingari-Richmond | 8  | 5  | 2  | 1  | 72  | 28  |        |
| Pirates          | 8  | 4  | 4  | 0  | 78  | 80  |        |
| Dunedin          | 8  | 3  | 3  | 2  | 48  | 54  |        |
| Port Chalmers    | 8  | 2  | 6  | 0  | 18  | 79  |        |
| Union            | 8  | 1  | 7  | 0  | 32  | 89  |        |
| Taiari Rovers    | 8  | 0  | 7  | 1  | 17  | 118 |        |

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# NORTHERN UNION.

Positions of Clubs in the Senior Championship at the end of the fourth round.

| Club                | Played | Won | Lost | Pls. for | Against | Ch. Pts. |
|---------------------|--------|-----|------|----------|---------|----------|
| Ponsonby United     | 5      | 4   | 1    | 148      | 32      | 19       |
| Newton Rangers      | 5      | 4   | 1    | 129      | 45      | 10       |
| North Shore Albions | 5      | 3   | 2    | 75       | 85      | 6        |
| City Rovers         | 5      | 3   | 2    | 61       | 85      | 6        |
| Manukau Rovers      | 5      | 3   | 2    | 34       | 89      | 6        |
| Eden Ramblers       | 5      | 3   | 2    | 33       | 160     | 6        |
| Ponsonby United     | 5      | 1   | 4    | 119      | 32      | 10       |
| Newton Rangers      | 5      | 1   | 4    | 91       | 49      | 6        |
| North Shore Albions | 5      | 1   | 4    | 65       | 49      | 6        |
| City Rovers         | 5      | 1   | 4    | 56       | 75      | 6        |
| Manukau Rovers      | 5      | 1   | 4    | 24       | 60      | 6        |
| Eden Ramblers       | 5      | 1   | 4    | 33       | 122     | 6        |

The fifth round of the senior championships were concluded last Saturday, leaving Ponsonby United with an unbeaten record. Next come the Newton Rangers and North Shore Albions both with the same championship points to their credit, although the former have the advantage on actual scores.

The weather on Saturday was anything but favourable as the heavy rains had made the ground slippery and the atmosphere was decidedly chilly, consequently the matches were robbed of a good deal of interest.

The Ponsonby-Manukau match was a fairly even tussle for the first spell and when time was called the score stood at seven to nil in favour of Manukau; but in the second half the heavier team simply romped over their opponents and when the game ended Ponsonby had piled up 29 points without allowing the Manukau Rovers to cross their line. Webb played a great game for Ponsonby.

The North Shore Albions and City Rovers match was a very poor exhibition. The game did not start until 3.45, and then only 12 City men turned out in a motley assortment of jerseys. The first spell ended with each side having five points to their credit. For City Mokai got the try and Stannaway converted, while Rodgers scored the try for North Shore and also added the major points. After the spell a number of men failed to turn out again and a heavy shower made further play little short of a farce. Gladding scored a try for the Albions, which Clark converted and thus gave them a win by 10 points to 5.

The Newton-Eden match resulted in a runaway victory for the former by 38 points to nil. The Eden Ramblers appeared lost without their skipper, Don Keneally, and found the opposing forwards too strong, while the Eden backs did not show up to advantage either in defence or attack. George Gillett, who played for Newton, was a tower of strength to them, while Cross was a big factor in the game.

In the second grade Ponsonby defeated North Shore by five points to nil. Young gained the try and Leveridge converted. These two teams started out both with an unbeaten record to their credit, and had the weather been fine a really good game might have resulted, because both were fairly evenly matched and a good deal of vim was added to the play.

In the same grade Ellerslie beat Hobsonville by 9 points to 3; and Otahuhu scored over Northcote by 11 points to nil.

Bad weather was responsible for the postponement of all matches at the Thames.

At Hamilton the Albions beat the Uniteds by 4 points to nil, after a very keenly-fought and even game.

The Waikato Northern League have sent the following names to the selectors for the North Island country touring team:—Backs, A. Cook and L. Smith; forwards, Fake and Clark-in.

The first Northern League match New Zealand v. New South Wales was played at Sydney on Saturday. About 28,000 people were present. The teams were constituted as follows:—New Zealand.—Full-back, Hargreaves; three-quarters, Gilmour, Bradley, Weston; five-eighths, Kelly and Carlaw; half, Barber; forwards, Francis, Dunning, Rukutai, Dervan, Irvine, H. Hayward.

New South Wales.—Full-back, Hallet; three-quarters, Broomham, Messenger, Gilbert, Frawley; halves, M'Kivat and Campbell; forwards, Courtney, Noble, M'Cue, Pearce, Sullivan and Cann.

The first spell was fairly even. The New Zealanders had lauded after midnight after a rough trip, and the Welshmen's superior condition told at the finish. New South Wales kicked off and pressed, a passing rush by Courtney, Messenger and Gilbert enabling the last-named to score. New South Wales, 3 points; New Zealand, nil. Russell replaced Broomham, who had been injured, and after a free-kick to New Zealand Russell initiated a passing rush, to Campbell, to M'Cue, who scored, Messenger converting. New South Wales, 8; New Zealand, nil. Near the end of the spell Gilmour dribbled up-field, and, racing the New South Wales full-back, scored, Gilmour converting. New South Wales, 8; New Zealand, 5. The defence of both teams had so far been severely tested, but in the second spell the New Zealanders were over-matched, and tries were scored for New South Wales by Russell (2), Messenger, Courtney, and Frawley, Messenger converting two. Barber scored for New Zealand, but no goal followed. The New South Wales backs got in much pretty passing, and beat the New Zealand backs. Their final try was a splendid piece of work. Starting near their own line, the Welsh backs carried the ball the length of the field against determined tackling, Frawley being the scorer. Gilbert and Cann gave the best exhibition for the locals, but the New Zealand forwards also showed dash. During the course of the game Campbell was kicked, and his ankle broken. The total scores were: New South Wales, 27 points; New Zealand, 8.

The team picked to represent New Zealand in the second match against New South Wales on Monday consisted of: Fullback, Hardgreave; three-quarters, Curran, Bradley, Keneally; five-eighths, Kelly, Moir; half-back, Barber; forwards, M. Hayward, Francis, Dunning, Rukutai, King, H. Hayward. The ground was in a sloppy state, but the New Zealanders managed to handle the ball with a good deal of success in the first spell, but in the second the game resolved itself into a tussle between the forwards. New Zealand eventually won by 12 points to 7. There was an attendance of 14,000 people. From the kick-off, the New Zealanders attacked immediately and for a while they obtained the ball in the scrums regularly. Following a short kick, Kelly picked up on the New South Wales 25 line, dodged through, and scored between the posts. Francis converted the try. The next score came as the result of a free kick to New South Wales for offside play, Messenger kicking a goal. The play was wonderfully fast, considering the mud, tackling of the New Zealand forwards was sure. Near the end of the spell Kelly nearly scored again from a pass from Rukutai, who took the ball well from a kick. White replaced Hallett, who was injured in the leg. The first spell ended: New Zealand 5; New South Wales, 2.

The first score in the second spell was obtained by New Zealand. From a free kick for offside play near New South Wales' 25 line, Francis kicked a fine goal. New Zealand continued to press, and after a long scramble on the line Moir scored near the posts, Francis converting. New South Wales only a few times threatened danger. The defence of New Zealand was sound, the forwards, following up, downed the backs before they could get under way. Near the end of the game Frawley, following up, kicked the ball out of the New Zealand full-back's hands, obtained possession, and scored by the posts, Messenger converting. Curran, Kelly, Rukutai and Francis were the pick of the New Zealand team. Curran's defence was excellent. The game ended: New Zealand, 12; New South Wales, 7.

The first regular inter-club matches under the Northern Union code were played at Wellington last Saturday. The Athletics beat Newton by 37 points to 5. The victors' score consisted of eleven tries, only two of which were converted. Newton's points were the outcome of a penalty goal and an unconverted try. The

Petone-Hutt match was played on a ground practically under water, but this notwithstanding the game was fast and interesting. The match ended in a victory for Petone by 24 points to 22.

The Northern League game at Wanganui between City and St. Johns was a very even and hotly contested struggle, and resulted in a draw—eight points all.

The New Zealand League team's remaining fixtures in Australia are as follows:—June 29, July 3 and 7—New Zealand v. Queensland, at Brisbane. July 13—N.S. Wales v. New Zealand, at Sydney.

## DISAPPEARANCE OF A WELL-KNOWN RACEHORSE.

### SOULTORIA MISSING.

Just as we go to press news comes to hand of what is expected to prove the theft of the well-known racing mare Soutoria. For some weeks past the daughter of Soul and Pretoria has been spelling on Mr Roulston's farm, Pukekohe and on Tuesday evening she was placed in her box as usual. Yesterday morning when the boy, who attends the mare, visited the stables he found both Soutoria and a half-sister by Seaton Delaval missing, and at once made the fact known to Mr Roulston. A search was immediately commenced and the Seaton Delaval mare was discovered running in a paddock without her cover, but there was no sign of Soutoria. It is surmised that the perpetrators of the act secured the mares during Tuesday night and led them through the back of the farm and across some five or six paddocks, the finding of the Seaton Delaval mare some distance away lending colour to this supposition.

The matter is in the hands of the police and the country for miles around has been scoured but without result and the affair remains a mystery.

An Australian buyer has been after the Gluten—Marjorie filly Tangiwai, but the price asked was not forthcoming.

E. Watson is keeping Black Lupin and Royal Maid up to the collar at Awapuni. The latter has taken kindly to jumping and gives promise of turning out useful.

Mr. J. H. Pollock, the well-known weight adjuster, was one of those assisting on the first day of the Hawke's Bay Jockey Club's winter meeting.

A client of J. S. O'Neill's has purchased the rising two-year-old filly by Royal Fusilier out of Rose Madder. O'Neill trained the big dividend producer Diavolo, and he seems to have a penchant for putting the big-priced ones on to the public, for Evadne, when she won at Dannevirke last March and gave her admirers and supporters such a good financial lift along, was then also a pupil of O'Neill's. It will be remembered that when Evadne won at Hastings last March she returned her backers a good working dividend, and was then also educated by the same trainer.



## NORTHERN BOXING ASSOCIATION.

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# THE STAGE

## AUCKLAND FIXTURES.

### HIS MAJESTY'S THEATRE.

June 25 to July 6—"Ben Hur" (J. C. Williamson, Ltd.)  
 July 22 to August 3—"The Blue Bird" Company  
 August 26-31—Miss Margaret Cooper  
 Sept. 23 to Oct. 12—Oscar Asche-Lily Brayton  
 Oct. 14-19—Plimmer-Denniston Co.

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Queen's Theatre (Continuous).

### OPERA HOUSE.

Fuller's Vaudeville

## HIS MAJESTY'S.

### "BEN HUR."

#### A MAGNIFICENT PRODUCTION.

"Ben Hur" is a great triumph. The great spectacular religious romance centring round the story of the house of Ithamar has been looked forward to by Auckland playgoers as something apart from the usual stage production, and its remarkable triumphs in other lands have buoyed people up with such intense expectation that they certainly would have been grievously disappointed had "Ben Hur" not exceptional qualities. No one who witnessed the opening production of the powerful drama at His Majesty's Theatre on Tuesday night could have anticipated anything quite so unique at once in its spectacular excellence, vivid mounting, impressive scenes, thrilling incidents, and striking characterisations. In a word "Ben Hur" is strongly acted amidst scenic splendor.

The play opens with a striking desert scene wherein the three wise men of the East are led by the Guiding Star to Jerusalem. Next we are introduced to the palace of Hur, amidst the glories of Jerusalem, where the domestic felicity of the house of Hur are shattered in a moment by Judah (Mr Eric Maxon) accidentally dislodging a tile from the parapet which wills the Procurator. Messala (Mr Leonard Willey) until a few brief minutes before the fast friend of Ben Hur, falsely accuses him of intentional murder. Judah is enslaved and cast on a galley ship, while his mother (Miss Susie Vaughan) and Tizrah (Miss Alma Phillips), his sister, are imprisoned in a living grave. In the galley ship Ben Hur, after three years at the oars, finds favour in the eyes of Arrius, the Tribune (Mr Winter Hall), saves his life and is ultimately adopted. On returning to Rome Ben Hur's Jewish identity is lost by assuming the name of his foster father, and he becomes a Roman soldier. After Arrius' death Ben Hur sets out in quest of his mother and sister. He arrives at the house of Simonides of Antioch (Mr Eardley Turner), a wealthy Jew friend of the house of Hur. Here Judah learns of the presence in Antioch of Messala, his betrayer and deadly enemy, who is representing Rome in the chariot race at the circus. Ben Hur forthwith decides to compete against Messala and triumphs over him. Having conquered in the chariot race, the fact is disclosed to him that Simonides and his daughter Esther (Miss Dorothy Dix) are really slaves to the house of Ithamar, although now fabulously wealthy and consequently all the wealth comes to Ben Hur, who meanwhile becomes infatuated with Esther, although for a time he comes under the influence of Iras, an Egyptian enchantress (Miss Gwen Burroughs). The final scene, which is particularly impressive, shows Ben Hur finding his mother and sister, who, as a result of their incarceration in a loathsome prison, had contracted leprosy, but are miraculously cured by the Nazarene.

Mr. Eric Maxon, in the name part, achieves a signal success. His portrayal of a most difficult character was admirably done and unstinted praise is due to him for the manner

in which he enacted a particularly exacting part. Mr. Eardley Turner made a striking and cultured Jewish patriot, acting the part of a deeply afflicted man with much tenderness and forbearance. Mr. A. Styan, as the Sheik Iderim, impersonated a bold and generous son of the Desert with rare ability, while the lesser male characters were enacted with uniform success. Miss Dorothy Dix, as Esther, was a retired and gentle Jewess, whose natural charms and grace of manner created a delightful

ingly represented a devoted nurse in the family of Ithamar.

One of the most attractive features of a wholly artistic production was the sumptuous mounting of no less than seventeen impressive scenes. Further charm was added by the introduced songs, dances and grouping of the vividly attired populace, which was something quite unique in stage craft. "Ben Hur" will remain the great attraction at His Majesty's Theatre this week and next.

who specialises in comedy, and makes things merry for a few minutes. Miss Flo D' Orville sings character songs with taste and feeling and makes good at once with her admirers. Miss Beaumont Collins and her clever company (Messrs D. Baird, J. R. Spurling and A. Scarlett) are seen to capital effect in a sensational dramatic sketch entitled "The House of Terror." Whatever role Miss Collins takes, she handles it with knowledge and artistry, being as versatile as she is talented. Wong Toy Sun in his Eastern setting again mystifies all with his sleight of hand tricks and magic arts, while the "King's College Boys" are winning golden laurels by their delightful singing. That graceful trio of athletes, Hanley, Marguerite, and Hanley, are again to the forefront and earn reams of applause. Maurice Chenoweth, Misses Mamie Ellis, Peggy Roma and Beryl Nicholls have new songs which meet with general approval, and the singers have to pay the penalty in numerous encores. Altogether it is a programme warranted to please.

## QUEEN'S THEATRE.

Shakespeare's immortal story "Romeo and Juliet" has enthralled thousands at Queen's Theatre this week, a magnificent series of pictures familiarising the spectators with the thrilling incidents in that famous Montague-Capulet episode. The balcony scene, the secret wedding, the fatal duel, the flight of Romeo and the tragic ending of the lovers were depicted with wonderful realism, and the appreciation of the audience was expressed in rounds of applause. "The Punishment" was the title of another star picture that ranked high in the audiences' favour. It told the tale of a wealthy landowner who married a peasant girl, but allowed jealousy to spoil their happiness and lead indirectly to the death of his only son and subsequently his own demise. "Child of the Ranch" was an exciting story of the West, showing how a little girl was the means of saving a woman's life and honour. "Mackerel Fishing" gave scope for some beautiful scenes on the coast of Cornwall, also various phases of the industry. An amusing subject was "The Diamond Earrings," and provided everyone with a hearty laugh. The orchestra adds its quota to the general enjoyment. As a token of respect for the late Sir John Logan Campbell, the theatre closed for a couple of hours on Tuesday afternoon. Visitors to town should on no account miss calling in at Queen's. It is a pleasant rendezvous.

Admirers—and they are legion—of Miss Grace Palotta will be pleased to learn she is back in Australia. The popular actress who has been in Vienna for some months, has been engaged by J. C. Williamson, Ltd., to play in the Melbourne season of "The Quaker Girl."

A "fatal case" of stage fright has been reported by the manager of the Grand Opera House in Paris. M. Magnere, a tenor, who, after careful training, had been accepted for leading parts and who, according to the report, had "appeared to good advantage at dress rehearsals," was so overcome by fright when he faced his first audience that "he trembled in every limb and his voice could not be rescued from the tremolo of fright." On the day following he appeared as Lohengrin, and again his voice forsook him because of nervousness, and after the second act his case was pronounced incurable and his colleague, Herrman Fontaine, took his place. "I shall pursue a less dangerous profession," said the man with stage fright, "and shall begin with aviation."



MR ERIC MAXON,  
 Who plays the title role in the great spectacular religious romance "Ben Hur" at His Majesty's Theatre.

impression. Miss Gwen Burroughs was well suited to fill the part of Iras, an Egyptian enchantress, whose enticements allured Ben Hur into a hopeless passion. Subsequently her jealousy at the preferment of Esther was excellently portrayed. Miss Susie Vaughan made an admirable Jewish matron, showing the most tender affection for her son, and gentle fortitude in extreme suffering. Miss Alma Phillips acted simply and effectively the part of Tizrah, sister of Hur, while Miss Alma Vaughan most feel-

## OPERA HOUSE.

Old and new artists are making vaudeville go with a swing at the Opera House, and its popularity is undoubtedly on the increase. Messrs Fuller see to it that the programme is well flavoured with top-notchers, and the result speaks for itself. Newcomers include Roya and Rejan, two prodigies in step dancing and terpsichorean novelties, whose turn is doubly encoered. Jack Bonny is another performer of outstanding merit



**BETWEEN THE WAITS.**

**MISS DOROTHY DIX.**

Youth and beauty personified is Miss Dorothy Dix, the Esther of "Ben Hur" (see frontispiece). Dressing rooms are not always the cosiest place for a chat, but transformed by Miss Dix into a bower of soft pink—pink curtains, pink cushions, pink silk lampshades, etc., the "den" was truly an inviting corner, and an attractive setting for the exquisite picture that the occupant presented. "I'm most susceptible to my surroundings, you know," remarked Miss Dix to an admiring "Review" representative. "It makes a world of difference to one. No, I did not expect to be back in New Zealand so soon." Miss Dix, as most theatregoers are aware, was the leading lady in "The Speckled Band" and "Alias Jimmy Valentine," with William Desmond playing here in February. In Sydney and Melbourne, in addition to those parts, she took the roles of Mercia in the "Sign of the Cross" and Nellie Denver in "The Silver King." It is almost a year since she came out from England under engagement to J. C. Williamson, Ltd., so she feels as if Australia and New Zealand have a big claim on her affections.

"Esther, I must tell you," confided Miss Dix, "was quite a stranger to me until the part was allotted me. So I set to work to study her in real earnest, with due regard to her relations to the other characters. Of course, it is a passive rather than an active part. It is not a character calling for dramatic force. Esther was an absolute girl, pure and simple—her naturalness, her simplicity and modesty, her affection for her father, her faithful love for Ben Hur, appeal to all. Everyone loves Esther. No matter who plays her, one must love the character. So I knew I must try to hit the right note, and reach the personality of the Esther of Lew Wallace's conception." That Miss Dix has succeeded, none will deny.

**MISS GWEN BURROUGHS.**

Ben Hur, of mythical fame, inspired the love of two women, Esther and Iras. Mr Eric Maxon (as we see Ben Hur) must count himself lucky in having two such charming counterparts as Miss Dorothy Dix and Miss Gwen Burroughs. Though on the stage it is a case of extremes meeting—Esther, the simple Jewish maid, pitted against Iras, the Egyptian enchantress—they meet on the common plane of exceptional beauty and charm. Hence Mr Maxon's good fortune. Miss Burroughs was in Auckland two years ago with Miss Nellie Stewart, playing the part of Lady Sybil in Barrie's "What Every Woman Knows," and has since toured with Miss Stewart in her one night stand of "Sweet Nell of Old Drury" all through Australia. Only three months ago Miss Burroughs was here with Miss Ethel Irving's Company, and took so delightfully the part of the French maid in "Lady Frederick." She has only had three years of real stage work, though she had previously studied in a good dramatic school.

"So, I'm quite a stage infant, you see," said Miss Burroughs, "but a lucky one. I feel so grateful to the management for giving me such a chance in 'Ben Hur.' But they are very good to Australian girls." And Miss Burroughs, who likewise hails from Melbourne, cited most enthusiastically several Australian girls who had gone to the forefront, viz., Miss Dorothy Brunton and Miss Lizette Parkes.

Miss Burroughs, it is interesting to add, recently acted with Gaston Mervale (a well-remembered name with New Zealand theatregoers) for his pictorial representation of "Trilby," taking the title role. As she had understudied Miss Nellie Stewart for this part, its many phases were not new to her.

"Do I like the part of Iras? Well, as a study it is very fine. Plenty of life and colour in it. Every emotion is portrayed—the coquettish, the passionate, the disdainful, the furious. But the people don't love me

for it! I can't win their sympathy, as you can imagine. Iras, the evil genius of Ben Hur—the enchantress—how can she be admired?"

**GREENROOM GOSSIP.**

**Miss Elsa Langley and "the Pierrots."**

One of the brightest and merriest musical combinations that has visited Auckland is "the Pierrots," who concluded a highly successful season at the Town Hall on Saturday night. Prominent amongst a talented coterie is the comedienne, Miss Elsa Langley, who has been a member of the company since she was in short frocks, and is "part and parcel of them" as she admits. A petite, fair-haired, winsome Pierrette is Miss Langley, with the Pierrots' interests close at heart and unbounded enthusiasm and ability to forward their success and popularity. "Of course," said Miss Langley to the writer, you know Mr Rob. Thomas and Mr Will. Thomas originated the al fresco entertainment in Australasia some seven years ago. The Pierrots made their initial stand on the beach at St. Kilda, Melbourne, and straightway struck the public taste with a programme that was diverting and above all refined. With such cultured and versatile men as Messrs Thomas, it could not strike a discordant note. We have an up-to-date and spacious al fresco theatre, built on the sands, where for six months in the year we play to crowded audiences. The men can sit back comfortably and smoke at their ease, fresh air is to be had without the asking, and we strive to give them variety and quality in the programme. Truly a pleasant vision, and one we can depend on being materialised after the too fleeting glimpse we are favoured with of this happy band in Auckland. May we see them this way again!

**A Line from "The Wanderers."**

Mr J. A. Matheson, touring manager of "The Wanderers" forwards some interesting notes about Mr George Stephenson's clever company. Writing from Queensland he says: "We have had a most successful time since leaving New Zealand. Record seasons have been completed at Theatre Royal, Brisbane (14 weeks); Kings Theatre, Adelaide (9 weeks), and the new National Amphitheatre, Melbourne (5 weeks). A winter tour of the E. J. Carroll theatres in Queensland has now been entered on. The re-organised company is:—



**MISS GWEN BURROUGHS,** As "Iras," the Egyptian enchantress in "Ben Hur."

Messrs "Jock" Willis, A. J. Black, George Winstanley, J. Leith Harvey, Herbert Brahms, and the Misses Beatrice Mercer, Margaret Caraher (a most talented soprano), Ruby Esdaile, and Annie Gore. Mr Matheson was last in Auckland ahead of the Besses o' the Barn and the Hamilton-Maxwell Company. He can be assured of a hearty welcome when he returns with "The Wanderers."

**An Appeal to all.**

In all parts of the civilised world "The Blue Bird" is known and loved. It appeals not only to the mind and heart of the child, but to the grown-up as well. But apart from its beautiful and sentimental side as a play, the production itself seizes upon one by its spectacular beauty and wonderful effects. "The Blue Bird" is really a fairy pantomime from beginning to end, though with a deeper meaning and more serious artistic aims than are generally associated with pantomimes.

**"The Virgin Goddess."**

Oscar Asche and Lily Brayton made a striking success in "The Virgin Goddess," which brought the Melbourne season to a close. The classic dignity and tragic power of the play made a deep impression, and the acting of Mr. Asche and Miss Brayton was such as to arouse immense enthusiasm. "The Virgin Goddess" may be added to the greatest histrionic successes achieved by the company.

**New Theatre for Melbourne.**

The Majestic is the name of the new theatre which is being erected by Amalgamated Pictures, Limited, in Flinders-street, Melbourne, and will probably be opened in a couple of months' time. The theatre is designed to suit the comfort and convenience of patrons, and, when completed, will seat 2200 people, distributed over three tiers of tip-up seats, which will be arranged much in the style of Her Majesty's Theatre, Melbourne. The edifice can be used for either dramatic or picture performances as accommodation has been made for a stage and dressing rooms; and a notable feature of the place will be a novel installation to regulate the temperature and ventilation of the auditorium. Also the theatre has been so designed that an unusual number of exits has been provided to enable the rapid emptying of the building in the event of an alarm of fire.

**Lighting Effects in "The Blue Bird."**

A feature of "The Blue Bird" is the lighting effects. Superb as it is throughout the play, the lighting reaches a height of marvellous beauty in the Kingdom of the Past, the Kingdom of the Future, and in the Kingdom of the Night, where the stars, dew drops, the perfumes of the night, etc., appear and dance to the sound of delicious music. The great bronze doors at the back of Night's Palace open and disclose the beautiful garden where Night keeps the Blue Bird of Dreamland. A great silver moon is seen low down in the sky, myriads of blue birds fly about from tree to tree, the scent of flowers fills the air, fountains play and fling up spouts of water the colour of jewels and the effect is truly ravishing.

**Spirit of the East in "Kismet."**

"Kismet," when staged by the Asche-Brayton company in Melbourne, introduced some pronunciations that came as a novelty to many people. For example: Caliph was pronounced as Car-leaf, Sheikh as Shake, and harem as har-reem. Mr. Asche vouches for the correctness of these by pointing out that Mr. Knoblauch (the author) had made a deep study of the subject and had mastered every native detail written into the play by him. Moreover, the Moorish Ambassador in London and other authorities had witnessed the production and testified to the correctness of these points.

**A Social Shave.**

We are indebted to the "Sun" for the following story that has gone the rounds in Sydney about Mr. Eric Maxon, who is playing the title role in "Ben Hur." He dropped into a Sydney barber's shop to have a shave the other day. After the tonsorial artist had completed his ministrations, and Mr. Maxon had left the chair, another customer appropriated it. "Do you know who that was you just shaved?" he said to the man with the razor. "No, sir," replied the bar-

ber. "That was Maxon, who plays the hero in 'Ben Hur,'" he was informed. "Is that so, indeed," said the tradesman, looking after the retreating figure with interest. "Well, well. I've often seen him on the stage, but this is the first time I ever had the pleasure of meeting him socially."

**"Ben Hur" in America.**

"Ben Hur" was first legally performed for copyright purposes at the Duke of York's Theatre, London, 1899, and was first seen in America a year later, when produced in that country by the Klaw and Erlanger Syndicate. This big American firm has been playing "Ben Hur" continuously ever since, with special revivals at intervals in New York.

It is said that "The Blue Bird" succeeds "wherever there is human nature."

"Brought to Ruin" was brought to book at the Adelphi Theatre, Sydney, last week. It appears there is a revolting scene in which a dummy baby is strangled on the stage in full view of the audience. The Chief Secretary concluded it was beyond the limit, and ordered the scene to be withdrawn. However, that would have spoiled the play, so the authorities decided to permit the scene to be altered, so that the baby is strangled off the stage instead of on.

Miss Margaret Cooper, the originator of the songs-at-the-piano entertainment, opens her Dominion tour in the Wellington Town Hall on Thursday, July 11th, under the direction of Messrs J. and N. Tait. According to "The Story Journal," Miss Cooper was a very wise child, and chose her parents with great discrimination. Her father was a singer of many golden notes. Her mother was an accomplished musician. Here was a solid foundation for the ambitious career of an infant who determined to shine as an entertainer, and little Margaret cut her first teeth in an atmosphere of musical monologue. As a veteran of five she hankered for the right way of playing the piano. Little puss! Instead of slam-banging the keys like an ordinary youngster, she propped books before her, and industriously played tunes on the table. No mother could resist this subtle attack, and the little Margaret plunged into music lessons forthwith. After that she never looked back, and when long frocks and the later teens came along Margaret was on the London stage. Her special line of business is the drawing-room entertainment. Her Australasian tour is likely to be a Margaret Cooper walk-over.

He caught a tram, a boat, a 'bus,  
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## SOUTHERN STAGE NOTES.

## WELLINGTON.

(By "Lorgnette.")

WELLINGTON, 22nd June.

Mr W. McLean, secretary of the Wellington Opera House, left by the 'Frisco steamer yesterday on a trip to America. Mr McLean was entertained by the directors before his departure.

"The Dandies," Edward Branscombe's clever company of entertainers, are now established favourites. The concert chamber of the Town Hall is filled nightly by appreciative audiences.

Wykeham and Nable's Farcical Comedy Company have made good here. The weather has not been of the best, but nevertheless the quality of the company is good enough to entice people from their firesides. "Mr Plaster of Paris" has run a week to splendid business and gives way tonight for "The Belle of Newport." From here the company goes south, and after playing the principal cities will then make a tour of the "smalls."

Professor Norwood, the hypnotist, who has been showing in the Southern towns, left for Sydney yesterday. After playing Australia, the Professor will go East.

Mr "Andy" Smart, a well-known writer on theatrical doings, is at present an inmate of a hospital. He underwent an operation a few weeks ago, which was successful. Mr Smart is now making an excellent recovery.

Mr Hamilton Hodges, the well-known singer, had promised to appear at Mr Robert Parker's concert last week, and did so at much risk to his own health. Mr Hodges was suffering from a severe attack of influenza, and his medical advisers had cautioned him to remain indoors. But sooner than disappoint the public, and also the veteran musician in whose honour the concert was, Mr Hodges left his room, and took part in "The Golden Legend." It was a plucky, though perhaps ill-advised, thing to do.

Miss Rosina Buckmann's farewell concert takes place on Monday night at the Town Hall. A great programme has been prepared, all Wellington's best singers being listed. Miss Buckmann leaves next month for England.

Vaudeville is on another wave of popularity here. Every night the Theatre Royal holds a large and enthusiastic audience. Just now Datas, "the man with a memory," is the headliner. A whole host of new people are in the bill this week.

News from London shows that Miss Mina Caldwell is doing famously in England. She has appeared at the Albert Hall, and the Wellington contralto "made good." Miss Caldwell has also appeared with success in oratorio in the provinces.

## MUSIC NOTES.

(By "G" String.)

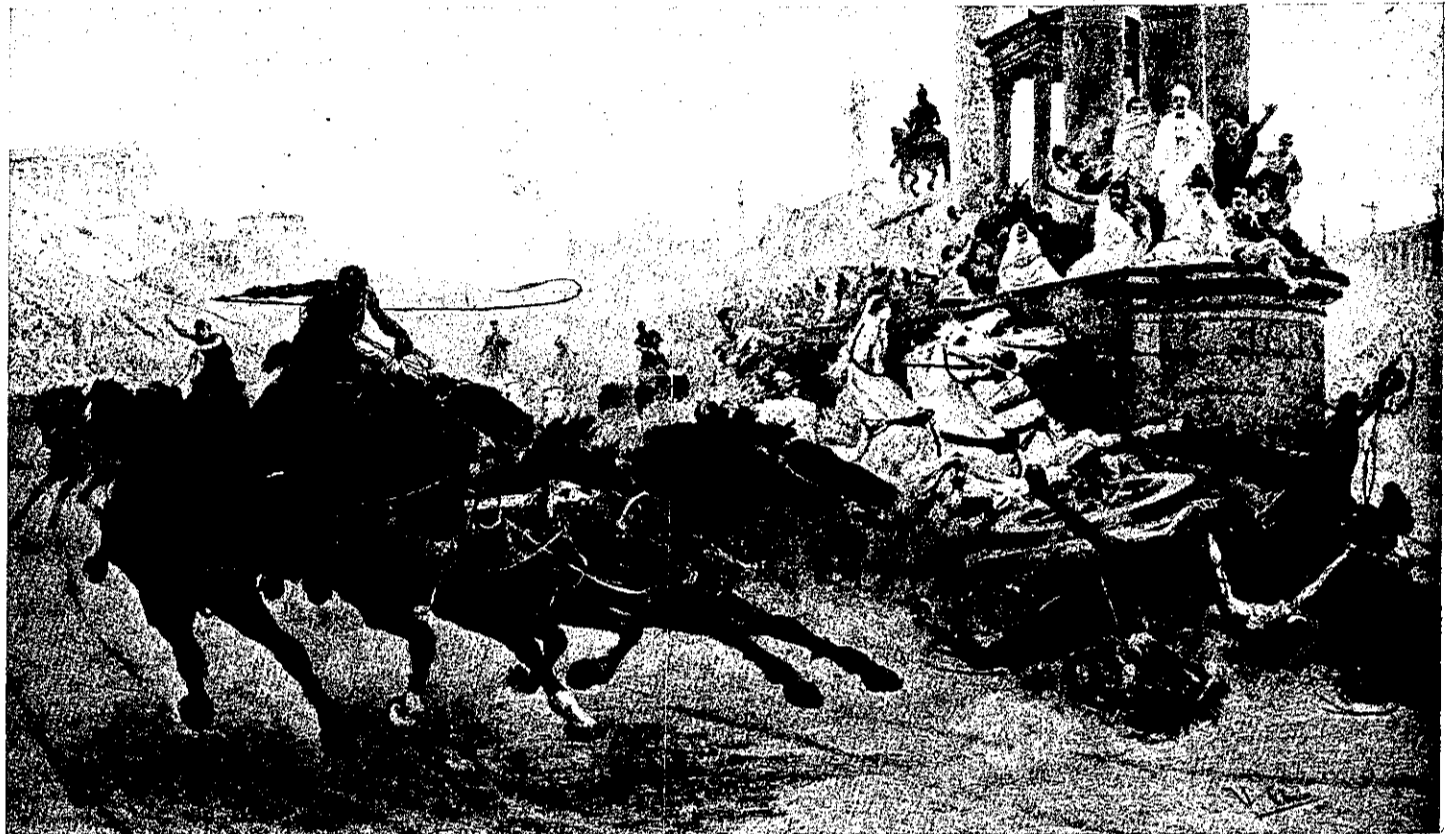
About the middle of last century there was no light opera writer more popular nor one with a more perfect

control of exquisite natural melody than Offenbach, whose delightful "Tales of Hoffmann" has just been produced in Melbourne by the Quinlan Grand Opera Company. But it is only in the above work that he showed the world how great a loss his devotion to the lighter phases of his profession made for the realms of grand opera. One would think he had done this single great work as a monument to the fact that he was greater evidently than he seemed.

Mr John McCormack, the well-known Irish tenor, returns to America for another tour next season, during which he will appear with the Boston Opera Company for a number of performances.

One of the "hits" in the production of "The Crown of India" at the Lon-

don Coliseum just now is a song sung by Miss Marion Beeley. It was written for her by Sir Edward Elgar, and is based on an air he heard in an Indian mosque. Miss Beeley is a young contralto from Lancashire.



THE CHARIOT RACE.  
A Thrilling Incident in "Ben Hur."

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Amongst the many beautiful gifts Miss Lalla Miranda, of the Quinlan Grand Opera Company, received during her appearances in Grand Opera on the Continent are a diamond and turquoise ring from the Princess of Luxembourg, and a diamond brooch from the Queen of Holland.

The London Symphony Orchestra won great praise from the American critics who, however, reserved their choicest adjectives for the conducting of Herr Nikisch.

Mr John Coates, the famous tenor of the Quinlan Grand Opera Company, has many interesting stories to tell of his friends, Sir Edward Elgar and Mr Granville Bantock. The admiration of these two great Eng-

lish composers for the greatest of 'England' tenors is very well known. Sir Edward it was who bestowed on Mr Coates the nickname of the "Arch Chanter John," by which the Yorkshire tenor is now known to most of his intimate friends. Mr Bantock, who once said to Mr Coates, "You are the pioneer of the modern in music, with a vengeance," has also written of his friend's singing, "It is the bellest of bel cantos." Richter has also honoured the famous tenor with his intimate friendship, and the letters from these great musicians to him would form a very interesting chapter on England's musical development.

Miss Gertrude Lonsdale, the contralto, whose singing has been much admired by New Zealand music-lovers, recently made her first appearance in London since her return from her round-the-world tour with the Sheffield Choir. Miss Lonsdale first visited New Zealand as a member of the Watkins-Mills concert party.

The telephone has been called into the services of organ builders for tuning purposes. The Chicago "Diapason," a journal devoted to the organ, states that on many of the instruments of a prominent American firm telephone transmitters are fixed permanently above the pitch octave in the diapason department, and the whole organ is so wired that when the tuner is at work he can, by manipulating a plug, hear through the receiver attached to his head the exact pitch of the diapason pipes. It is to be hoped that the tuner is his own "exchange," otherwise the troubles provided by the telephone would be the last drop in the cup of bitterness in the life of the fixer of the "tempered" scale.

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# BOXING.

## NEXT THURSDAY'S BATTLE.

### JACK JOHNSON'S OPPONENT.

#### "BUSTER OF WHITE HOPES."

On Thursday next (July 4) a section of the American sporting public will spend part of Independence Day at the ringside watching Jack Johnson and "Fireman" Jim Flynn battling for the heavyweight championship of the world at Las Vegas. Though he has not been surrounded by hero-worship, as was the case with James J. Jeffries when the big boilermaker was preparing for his engagement with the giant negro at Reno on July 4, 1910, Jim Flynn will enter the ring confident that he can whip his coloured rival, which is more than could be said of Jeffries' state of mind when he got through the ropes to face his hated opponent on that tragic occasion. Flynn, who falls far short of Jeffries in physique, is much better off on the score of condition than the world's ex-champion was when he measured strength and skill with the powerful negro.

At the scene of the rival training camps at Las Vegas, the usual big talk regarding their championship match is being indulged in by Jack Johnson and Jim Flynn. The champion says he is willing to post a certified cheque for £3200, and give odds, that he can beat the fireman. Flynn's answer is that the result of the Fourth of July battle will be a terrible knock to the "big smoke stack." Tommy Ryan, the trainer of Flynn, is pleased with the Pueblo man's efforts, but admits that he would be better pleased if Flynn owned a superior defence. The town is full of crooked sports, who are endeavouring to get Johnson to "throw" the fight. In the face of these rumours it is worthy of note that Johnson has taken to his training quarters earlier than usual. He is acting like a man eager to win.

Flynn is not afraid of the big black, and is eager for the moment when he can crawl through the ropes and swap punches with the man who has reigned supreme in the heavyweight ranks without a contest for two years. Doing his training under the watchful eye of Tommy Ryan, former middle-weight champion, Flynn, is being prepared for the fight which will attract to him world-wide publicity even if he is beaten. Of all the "white hopes" who are clamouring for a chance to fight Johnson, Flynn is the logical choice. Although Flynn weighs scarcely 180 pounds, he is every inch a fighter. He is of the type which is willing to take a punch to land one. The decisive manner in which he beat Al Kaufmann, Carl Morris and Tony Caponi is vindication of his right to meet Johnson. From a railroad fireman to a near-champion is the stride which Flynn has made in the last few years. Fight is all he has known since he was a mere kid, and in his own words, "he has taken many a trimming."

Notwithstanding the fact that in 1907 Jack Johnson toyed with Flynn for 11 rounds and then knocked him out, and that in the forthcoming battle Flynn will be giving away 30 pounds in weight and three inches in height, with its corresponding reach, Flynn may not be considered a very hopeful "hope" in some quarters, especially when it is taken into consideration that this time he will be giving a tremendous handicap to a man who is admittedly the class of the prize ring, but Flynn has proved himself the best of the "white hopes," and should make a worthy opponent of the black champion. Besides, Flynn has shown his ability to come back and lick big men who have beaten him before, while his recent fights have shown him vastly improved over the form he showed at the time of his last meeting with Johnson.

Jim Flynn is tough as iron, a hard puncher, and as game as they make them. He was just as tough and strong when Johnson knocked him out in 11 rounds in Frisco on November 2, 1907, but he knew less about boxing then than he does now, and on that occasion he found it impossible to penetrate the black man's marvel-

ous defence. Johnson simply toyed with him for 11 rounds, and then knocked him out. Flynn has also been an easy victim for Sam Langford on two different occasions, Langford putting him to sleep in the first round four years ago, and two years ago knocking him out again in eight rounds. From this it would appear that it is a case of leading the lamb to slaughter again, but Flynn to-day is a much improved fighter from the Flynn of four or even two years ago.

Flynn first attracted attention to his improved form when on May 5, 1911, he knocked out Kaufmann, always considered as the leader of the "white hope" class, in Kansas, in 10 rounds. Kaufman outweighed Flynn 20 pounds and topped him three and a-half inches in height. Flynn followed this up with seven consecutive knock-outs during the past year, and then gave Carl Morris, who outweighed him 50 pounds and stood six and a-half inches taller, an unmerciful beating in 10 rounds in New York. These performances eliminated both Kaufmann and Morris from the "white hope" heap, so in looking for a white opponent for the black champion it was but natural that Flynn should fall into the job.

In the opinion of the best ring authorities in the United States if Flynn cannot defeat Johnson, there is no white man on earth who can. In giving expression to this opinion, American writers make it plain that they do not regard Flynn as a superior fighter to Johnson, but merely wish to point out that no white man living is his equal at the boxing game. The masterful way in which he recently handled Morris and Kaufmann, both much bigger and heavier men than himself, shows his ability to reach big men effectively, and he has always shown that he is game, tough as iron, and lugging a kick in his fist that meant "good night" to the biggest men when it lands.

Flynn, whose right name is Andrew Chiariglione, was born in Brooklyn, December 24, 1879, and has had a remarkable ring career. Not because of his great number of victories, but because of his persistence in sticking at the game after being beaten so often and the ability he has shown to upset ring traditions by "coming back" and beating men who once beat him. Jim Flynn started his ring career in 1901 by winning his first three contests by a knock-out in four, four and two rounds respectively. He fought for two years without a reverse, when he lost an eight-round decision to Jack Root. He then went two more years without a reverse, when he went up against Tommy Burns, in Los Angeles, and was knocked out in fifteen rounds. After this he had a string of victories, knocking out George Gardiner in eighteen rounds and Dave Barrie in seven. On November 2, 1907, he met Jack Johnson in Frisco, and was knocked out in eleven rounds. A month later he met Bill Squires, the Australian heavyweight, and knocked Squires out in six rounds. He then beat Battling Johnson twice in ten rounds, whom it took Sam McVea thirty-six rounds in all to beat decisively.

Flynn was then knocked out himself by Al Kaufmann in nine rounds and by Sam Langford in one round. Then, just to show that he was not afraid of either man he fought Langford a ten-round no-decision contest, and then was again knocked out by Sam in eight rounds. Flynn then went against Kaufmann again, and showed his "come back" stuff in Kansas City on May 5, 1911, when he knocked his former conqueror out in ten rounds. Closely following this victory over Kaufmann, Flynn handed out the sleeping potion to four more opponents, and then handed Carl Morris an awful lacing in ten rounds in New York.

There is no denying Jim Flynn's courage and confidence. He is afraid of no man alive. Flynn possesses sturdiness and a stout heart, and, in spite of the great handicap in size and weight and the vaunted cleverness of the black champion, he has an inherent belief that he can beat Johnson down and bring out that

"yellow streak" that experts say exists, but which no man has ever been able to penetrate to. But whether Jim Flynn, the Pueblo fireman, steps into the championship on Thursday next or not there is one thing certain he will fight as long as he has a foot to stand on, and, if defeated, he will still remain the "barrier champion" over whom future "white hopes" must scramble to reach the entrance to the championship class.

## AUCKLAND PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS.

### LARGE ENTRY ANTICIPATED.

Active preparations are being made for the Auckland provincial amateur championships for 1912, which are to be held in the Town Hall on Wednesday and Thursday next, July 3 and 4. Although entries do not close until Saturday (June 29) there are indications at present of a very large entry, and in view of the increased popularity of boxing throughout the northern province some excellent bouts are anticipated.

On the first night of the championships, the well-known professional boxers, Holt and Olsen, will meet in a 10 rounds contest for a £25 purse. Previous contests between the pair when they were amateurs have resulted in very even and exciting bouts, and Wednesday night's match should be no exception to the rule.

The concluding night of the championships will witness the meeting between those clever lightweights, Alf Gault, of Auckland, and Alan Maxwell, of New Plymouth, in a 15 rounds' match for a £50 purse. This will mark the first occasion on which Maxwell has fought in Auckland, and his forthcoming contest with Gault is attracting considerable attention in boxing circles. Maxwell has the distinction of having drawn with Tim Tracy in a keenly-fought match, while his defeat at the hands of Hegarty, who was awarded a points' decision, was not popularly received, it being generally contended that a draw would have been a fairer verdict. Not only is Maxwell a fine defensive boxer, but he can assimilate a good deal of punishment, while he has a reputation for going in and mixing the fighting freely. His three contests with Hegarty, Tracy and Porter respectively, all went the full fifteen rounds, so that his match with Gault should provide a great go.

## WANGANUI DISTRICT CHAMPIONSHIPS.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

The Wanganui Amateur Boxing Association held their district championship tourney in the Opera House on Friday evening, when there was a fairly good attendance, while the sport was willing and exciting. Mr Tim Tracy acted as referee and his decisions were well received.

The featherweight championship fell to Hodgson (8.12), who beat Heron (8.7) and Christian (9st), the latter having previously disposed of Jervois (8.13). Jervois gave an exceedingly scientific exhibition, but was too short to have any chance with his opponent. The final was a good go, and Hodgson deserved the decision.

The lightweight championship went to Bond (10.0), who beat Forbes (9.6½) and Crotty (9.12) in the final, which did not last out the first round.

The welter-weight championship produced a surprise, as Forbes (9.6½) who had made a very poor showing against Bond in the lightweights, came out and won in the second round from Delahunt (10.5). In the first round the latter did all the fighting, Forbes never attempting to land a blow, but in the second round the latter cut loose with such effect that he fairly smothered his flabbergasted opponent with punches. It was a cyclonic rush he made, and the way he kept raining blows on Delahunt amazed the audience. As the round was nearing completion, Forbes got on on to his opponent's jaw and Delahunt took the count without a move and it was some time before he came round. The winner boxed very pluckily and showed such fine sportsmanship that the victory was the most popular of the evening. Crearer (11.4) beat Eit (11.4) after a rare punching match, in which no science was displayed. Crearer got a lead

in the first round, and in the second got one on to the solar plexus which put Eit out.

The heavyweight contest resulted in Caldwell (13.2) beating Glading (12.1), in the second round. The latter had previously beaten Ross (12.13) in very short order, but he did not show to much advantage against Caldwell, who has great hitting power, and with proper tuition would take a power of beating, as he is cool and game. He soon got busy, landing frequently with straight lefts which had heaps of power behind them. At the start of the second round it was apparent that Glading did not relish his task. He appealed for an unfair kidney punch but Tim Tracy said "box on." He then went to the boards in some tight work on the ropes, and again appealed to the referee, who ordered them to go on; but Glading refused to continue, and Tracy declared Caldwell the winner. It was a popular decision.

Caldwell and Bond will probably be sent to Wellington for the New Zealand championships next month.

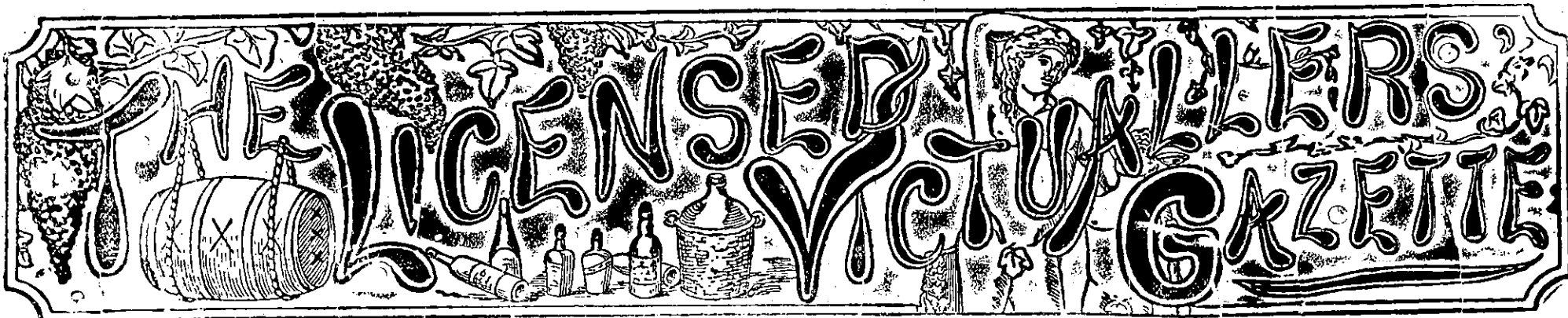
Jervois, a featherweight, who was beaten in his bout, was awarded the trophy for the most scientific boxer, and undoubtedly he deserved it.

The Waikato Boxing Association's amateur championships will take place in the Hamilton Town Hall on Wednesday night, July 10. Of late years interest in boxing throughout the Waikato has steadily increased, chiefly owing to the untiring energies of the officials of the Waikato Association, and the approaching carnival promises to be the most successful held by that body, both in point of number of entries and quality of the competitors. The novice competition, which figures among the events which go to make up the attractive programme, is for boys living within a 45-mile radius of Hamilton who have never competed in a ring, and should be the means of encouraging a number of young enthusiasts to devote part of their leisure time to the manly art of boxing. The Territorial competition should also attract a good entry, as included in the ranks of the Waikato regiment is undoubtedly some good material. Entries for all classes close with the secretary, Mr W. Waters, "Waikato Times" Office, Hamilton, or with Mr F. H. Burbush, secretary N.B.A., 195, Queen-street, Auckland.

Jim Jeffries does not intend to again seek notoriety in connection with world's boxing championships, not even in the capacity of referee, for he has announced his positive refusal to act as referee of the Rivers-Wolgast contest for the world's lightweight supremacy. Jeffries, apparently, has not yet forgotten the Reno affair, and the public's desertion of him in the hour of his crushing defeat.

Jack Johnson's most formidable opponent all along the route has been trouble, and the champion could write quite an interesting history of the various scrapes he has got into since winning his championship crown from Burns in December, 1908. A late cable from Chicago states that it is possible that the Grand Jury will be asked to indict Johnson on the old charge of smuggling a diamond necklace into the United States on his return from England. It is probable that the champion will have to return from Las Vegas, where he is training for his fight with Jim Flynn, to meet the charge. With regard to the necklace in question, which is valued at £1200, an attempt was made by the negro fighter some months ago to obtain an amicable settlement of the charge, but the cable would indicate that such has failed. The necklace was seized by Federal officers some time ago, and Johnson was directed to pay its value and a £720 penalty to the Government. The pugilist deposited £800 in the treasury, and asked the district attorney to accept the sum as a compromise. The offer was referred to the Secretary of the Treasury.

Mat Wells, the English lightweight champion, who has not been boxing with any success in America, left New York for London at the end of last week. He states that his reason for returning to England is on account of ill-health, and his inability to show anything like his true form.



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Wellington, October 20, 1910.

### THE TRUE LINES OF TEMPERANCE REFORM.

#### ARGUMENTS AGAINST FANATICISM.

(Conclusion of the trenchant article by the Rt. Hon. F. E. Smith, K.C., M.P., etc.)

"Better free than sober"—but best of all, free and sober. And that is the condition, as the Licensing and Criminal Statistics show, which we are now approaching. The question is how to help forward that desirable consummation. In other words, what is the true line of temperance reform? For some years past now I have been convinced, and my conviction grows in strength, that the true line is to be found mainly in the transformation of the public-house. The public-house is a social necessity. It is, and has long been, not only the place of refreshment for the wayfarer, but the combined club, cellar, and dining-room of the working classes. And instead of being a diminishing necessity, as the State closing of alleged superfluous public-houses would seem to indicate, it is becoming an increasing social necessity; other classes of society, even the most wealthy, are now appreciating the necessity, or, at any rate, the desirability, of obtaining refreshment and amusement and giving entertainment in public places designed for the purpose, instead of in their own homes. There should therefore be no question of abolishing the public-house. Our sole aim should be to transform it, in accordance with our best practicable ideals.

Let me sketch my own. The ideal public-house would be, allowing, of course, plenty of scope for local variations, a commodious and decent building into which any passenger might enter and call for any reasonable kind of refreshment—food or drink, the latter alcoholic or non-alcoholic. He should be able to consume these refreshments comfortably seated in a room well lit, warmed, and ventilated. He should be able not only to smoke, but if he chose, to obtain the materials for smoking also on the premises. The place should be so reputable that, whatever his social position, he could enter it openly, and even take his wife and children with him and find suitable refreshment there for them. If he were alone he should be able to call for and purchase in the house newspapers and magazines. If he has any business to transact there should be a telephone on the premises for his use. If he had one or more friends, and the party desired amusement other than conversation, they should be able to call for cards, chess, or dominoes, or quills and bowls in the country. Or, if they desired more passive amusement, there should be music to listen to. The humblest

inn could provide an hour or two a day of piano playing; the richer—the large houses in wealthy towns—could furnish a small orchestra and a vocalist or two. And there is no reason why dancing should not be permitted under due guarantees of respectability. This is the ideal public-house. Such a house as this would add to the innocent enjoyment of the people, and would be an incentive to temperance and good order. No one would misbehave himself in such surroundings by drinking to excess, or by any other form of disorder; public opinion would make such conduct impossible. Upon young people of the working and lower middle classes such a house would exercise a positive influence for good. It would improve their manners, and might improve their

Take first the commodious, well-appointed house in London or the near suburbs of one of the larger provincial towns—the house which tradesmen, clerks, men of business generally, and the smaller professional men now patronise in the evening, to chat over a glass of whisky and perhaps play a game of billiards. Many of these houses have been vastly improved already in recent years, and the task of converting them into ideal public-houses would not entail very serious structural or decorative changes. The bars would be removed, or reduced to a mere service bar in a corner of the establishment; tables and easy chairs and a small bandstand would occupy the vacant space; a newspaper kiosk could be installed in one corner, and a counter for the sale of confection-

in need of transformation. The change is not quite so easy, but it is not impossible of attainment when allowance is made for the fact that the full programme of accessories such as have been outlined in the previous paragraph would not be expected with this class of house. It is all a matter of degree. The varieties of refreshment and entertainment and decoration would be on a simpler scale—that is all. The class of customers in Whitechapel would not want (and would not pay for) such luxurious service as would be expected in Hampstead. Yet, in spite of comparative simplicity, the change would be greater than in the case of the class of house previously referred to. The light and warmth of the public-house as it is to-day in the poorer quarters of towns would be retained; but, by the abolition of the stuffy compartment system and the big space-destroying bars, fresher air would be secured, and the additional space would get rid of crowding and allow a sufficiency of comfortable seats; while inexpensive, but clean and simple, well-cooked and appetising food would furnish a welcome alternative to the monotonous pewter pots of beer. These and the like alterations (which in most cases could be achieved without structural extensions) would transform the average poor man's public-house out of recognition, and he and his women-folk would quickly respond to the new conditions and improve their own appearance and manners to accord therewith. In this class of house, above all, the opportunity of resting in comfort, playing a game of draughts or dominoes, hearing the popular songs and dances on a piano and violin, eating decently-cooked meals, reading a newspaper or writing a letter, would be appreciated; and the popularity of the new style of house would stimulate licensees to compete with each other in adding such comforts, adornments, and entertainments as their ingenuity could suggest, and their means render possible.

A third type of house may be mentioned—the village inn. The same sort of improvements would not be wanted here as in town public-houses, but the opportunities are almost equally great. More often than not the village inn has some ground attached which could be utilised for bowls, and other games, or a miniature rifle gallery, a dancing lawn, or an *al fresco* concert place. At the least, comfortable chairs and settees and small tables could be provided for the patronage of the public in fine weather. As to the interior, in many village inns this is picturesque enough now, and would need little more than a brightening up on lines which would be harmonious with the character of an old hostelry. A common fault at present with many of these places is that space is rather cramped in them, but the abolition of a bar, and the opening out of two or three small rooms into one large room, would usually remove this difficulty; and building out, when necessary, would not be a serious operation in a village. Where the house was of sufficient importance the adjoining courtyard could be roofed in with glass, and be floored with tiles, as I have seen done with excellent results in a Norfolk hotel.

Such attractions as musical entertainment would, of course, be both simpler and less frequent in the village than in the town, but some provision could be made for them, and they would be even more appreciated than in the town. The traveller would heartily welcome such a haven of refreshment; but the village resident, for whom it would chiefly exist, would enjoy it quite as



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morals. They would be better in such a house than in prowling streets and lanes at night; and they would avoid that boredom which is the fruitful parent of all kinds of mischief.

Can this ideal be realised? It evidently can. There are difficulties in the way, of course. Has any reform even been known that has not had to encounter difficulties? But of this I am convinced—that the difficulties in the way of the transformation of the public-house on the lines I have indicated are not insuperable.

Take the obvious practical difficulty which has been alleged of bringing up to a definite standard the many thousands of public-houses up and down the country which to-day not only deviate deplorably from the ideal type, but vary among themselves and in reference to the requirements they have to serve. The answer to this difficulty is that when one speaks of the ideal public-house one is gathering up into a picture a number of qualities to indicate the general type. But there will be particular types; and it is not proposed that all public-houses should conform to exactly the same standard. Let me illustrate by one or two examples.

ery and tobacco in another; an adjoining small room would do for the telephone, and another room could be fitted with writing tables. And, just as to-day divisions are made between the various bars, so some sort of partitions could be put up in the main hall to fence off the serious diners from those who only want light refreshment. Where possible a sort of conservatory should be thrown out, to give an air of lightness and coolness and to add to the pleasant and picturesque appearance of the house; and the floor would be carpeted with matting and rugs. There would be a sufficient display of programmes, setting forth the daily fare of all edibles and beverages (with prices), as well as of the music to be performed in the afternoon or evening. In most of such houses as are now contemplated it would also be practicable and desirable to provide an adjoining room where women, alone or with children, could go if they preferred it. One could instance further details, but enough has been said to indicate the transformation which could be wrought in the better-class town or suburban public-house.

But the town public-house frequented by poorer folk is even more

much; for it would brighten up and dispel the monotony of village life, and the mechanical manufacture of lethargic village toppers would soon die out. In the right sort of situation—the green, or the outskirts of the village street—and with the right sort of licensee, the village inn could easily develop into one of the most charming features of English rural life.

There is no doubt of the practicability of this much-to-be-desired transformation of the public-house. There is no doubt, either, of the popularity which would await it; Continental experience, and initial experiments at home, alike demonstrate this. All that is wanted to start the transformation is the awakening of public interest, the diversion of misplaced and miscalled "temperance" sentiment, a broader view on licensing benches, the removal of a few useless restrictions from the statute-book, a change in the methods and extent of taxation, and an end of confiscatory attacks upon the trade to whose enterprise the carrying out of the improvements will necessarily be entrusted. For we must not forget that the transformation would involve the owners of public-houses in some capital outlay, and though the actual work of improvement must be left to voluntary enterprise, there is this that the State can do: it can ease the fiscal burden for the purpose of encouraging enterprise and enabling the needed capital to be raised, and it can overhaul, and largely eliminate from the statute-book the restrictions which in times past it has imposed, and which, with the change in the character of the tavern, will become more than ever unnecessary and harmful. So much, indeed, will be only an act of reparation which the State owes to the public and the publican for its past foolishness; but in doing this rather negative work the State will, for the first time in its licensing history, be really taking a part in true temperance reform.

**ALLEGATIONS AGAINST HOTEL-KEEPERS.**

**CATERING FOR WOMEN.**

A great storm was raised at a recent gathering of "Temperance Advocates" against certain hotels providing facilities to encourage women to drink, and amendments were demanded to the licensing laws to prevent this state of affairs to continue. Mrs Mason, a member of a deputation to city members of Parliament, strongly criticised what she described as the encouragement some licensed victuallers extended to induce women to drink in their hotels. She related an instance that came under her own observation. A sick child was in a home that she visited in the suburbs one evening. The doctor had ordered spirits for the child. A young girl was sent for these spirits to a hotel, and Mrs Mason accompanied her. Not liking the idea of the girl going into the hotel, Mrs Mason went into the house herself, and was astounded when she was shown into a large room with numerous tables. All the tables were occupied by women, who were drinking. Since then she had been told that the dining-room of the hotel was fitted up comfortably in the evenings for the purpose of encouraging women to drink there. Old and young women were sitting in the hotel when she paid the visit, and she put in a strong plea on behalf of womanhood, and urged that measures should be taken to prevent publicans from catering for the women in the way she had described.

Mr A. E. Glover, M.P., said he regretted exceedingly to hear the remarks made by Mrs Mason. He thought that the name of the publican and the hotel should be given. The matter was one that called for investigations.

On the name of the publican and the hotel being given, Mr Glover said that as an accusation had been made the publican must have the chance to defend himself, and he promised to inquire into the matter.

Mr A. Harris, M.P., said he had not the slightest idea that such a state of things existed, and was very

pleased that Mrs Mason had made the matter public.

It was further stated that there were other hotels equally bad.

Mr J. S. Dickson, M.P., remarked that such a condition of affairs should not be tolerated.

Possibly the details given above may be an exaggeration of the true facts, and doubtless the hotelkeeper against whom the chief complaint was lodged has some explanation to offer that may minimise what is unquestionably a regrettable state of affairs. We are perfectly aware that there is no section of the public who are so unfairly criticised and harassed as are the licensed victuallers; but at the same time we must reluctantly admit that if individual hotelkeepers carry on a business that is liable to create a public scandal they are exposing the whole Trade to serious injury. It therefore behoves members of the licensed trade collectively to take such steps as will prevent moderate-minded people being scandalised by a state of things that, to say the least, is not in the best interests of licensed victuallers as a whole. Some twelve or eighteen months ago the subject of serving women in public houses was ventilated before the Licensing Bench, and at the time the Committee hinted that the practice was one they looked upon with disfavour, and trusted the licensed victuallers would not encourage women to drink on their premises. On behalf of one of the leading wholesale firms, it was stated at the time that they strongly discountenanced the practice of serving women, and many hotelkeepers voluntarily promised to refrain from allowing women to drink on their premises.

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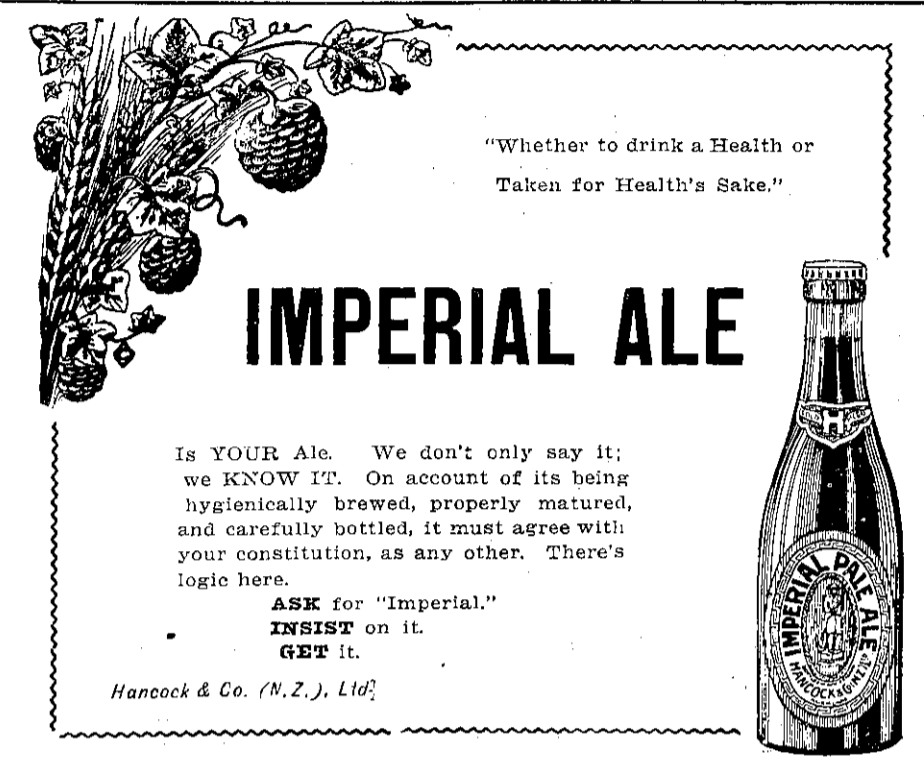
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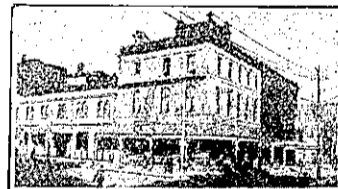
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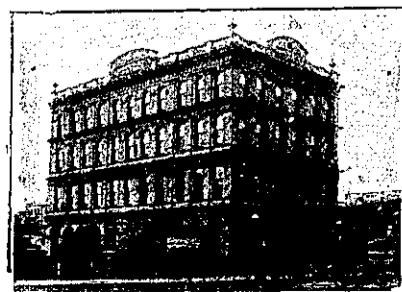
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## HERE AND THERE.

Out of respect for the memory of the late Sir John Logan Campbell, the Auckland Licensed Victuallers closed their premises for two hours on Tuesday afternoon while the funeral of the "Father of Auckland" was in progress.

Mr Ernest Fathers, well known on the Thames and Waihi goldfields, has taken over the Caledonian Hotel, Napier.

Miss F. M. Paulsen, who has taken over the Terminus Hotel, New Plymouth, is eminently qualified to popularise this up-to-date house. Situated right at the Railway Station, and commanding an extensive ocean view, the Terminus cannot fail to meet with the attention of travellers. The cuisine is a special feature under the new management, while the tariff is most reasonable, and every department is conducted on a first-class scale. Her many friends will wish Miss Paulsen every success.

According to a statement by the Prime Minister the Government will not attempt to introduce any licensing legislation this session.

At Te Pohue Mr W. Prebble, who recently disposed of his interest in the Lake Hotel, and is about to leave that district, was entertained at a farewell social by the settlers. Mr Powell, of the Rock Station, presided, and a lengthy toast list was honoured. The chairman, on behalf of the Sheep Dog Trial Club, presented the guest with a solid leather brief bag, and Mr Steward, on behalf of several natives, handed Mr Prebble a handsome piece of greenstone as a mark of their appreciation.

The question of the constitution of licensing benches was discussed at the Federal Licensed Victuallers' Conference at Adelaide, by the Hon. E. L. Klauer, M.L.C. He pointed out that an injustice was being done to the Trade in that any person connected with it could not sit upon the bench. Such a tribunal was necessary, as undesirable persons sometimes managed to get into the Trade. It should, however, be considered in the most democratic manner possible. Men who had been connected with the Trade knew the qualifications and characters of those who applied for entry into it. Three outside men should be appointed upon the bench—one a police magistrate, and two others with some knowledge of the condition of the licensed victuallers' business. The two last-named need not necessarily be hotelkeepers or brewers, but should have some special means of knowing conditions among those who sold strong drinks. He moved—"That the present system of granting licenses, being unsatisfactory in certain States, this conference is of opinion that a permanent bench, similar to that in Victoria, should be established." Mr F. B. Keogh (S.A.) seconded the motion. He said very often people who were opposed by the police were given power to sell liquor.

With reference to a complaint being voiced in Christchurch about unregistered barmaids being employed in private bars, a correspondent states that the practice does not obtain in Dunedin, for the reason that there are no private bars within the meaning of the Act. The bars in which unregistered barmaids are permitted by the Act are those which do not open direct into the street. Such bars have been abolished in Dunedin, and consequently only registered barmaids are employed.

The Hon. G. W. Russell, Minister of Internal Affairs, in a speech at Christchurch, foreshadowed legislation absolutely prohibiting the employment of barmaids.

When a man needs a policeman to take him home he is "real drunk," according to Judge Monroe, of the superior court of Los Angeles, U.S. The Judge's opinion was elicited during the trial of the divorce action of Tacie M. Dudley against James B. Dudley, whom she charged with excessive use of intoxicants. "How drunk was he?" asked the judge. "A policeman had to bring him home at night," responded Mrs Dudley. "Then he was real drunk," declared the judge.

Mr R. A. Grant, who is a well-known figure in Hawke's Bay, has recently taken over the Club Hotel, Pahiatua, and under his capable management the hotel bids fair to become the leading house in the district. Visitors speak in high terms of the good treatment received at the hands of Mr and Mrs Grant.

At the meeting of the Waipawa Licensing Committee renewals were granted to the Sandford Arms Hotel, Onga Onga, and the Sawyers' Arms Hotel, Tikokino. On account of objections to nearly every hotel in the district, from the Health Department, only one or two applications for renewal were granted, the rest being adjourned till the next quarterly meeting.

"If alcohol were really such a deadly poison as it is said to be, I ought to have been dead years ago. I am eighty-two, and I have taken a moderate amount of alcohol every day. I call that temperance, and I am temperate now, with all the temptations that surround me in the way of luncheons and dinners and other functions that the Lord Mayor is expected to attend."—The Lord Mayor of London.

One of the special features at the meeting of the Westland Licensing Committee was four applications for a new publican's license at Waitata. There was a full bar engaged, but the Committee had not received authority from the Governor-in-Council to deal with the application. Petitions had been returned without obtaining approval, or an Order-in-Council authorising the hearing of applications. The Committee unanimously decided to treat all applications alike and their applications were all refused.

### LICENSING BENCH PROCEEDINGS.

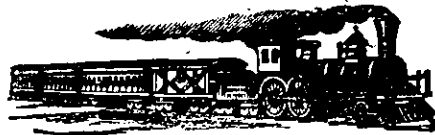
The hearing of the objection lodged by the police against the renewal of the license of F. C. Bass, as licensee of the Prince Arthur Hotel, Auckland, was heard last week be-

fore the Licensing Bench.

Evidence was given by a number of police officials that they had had the hotel under observation since January last. The "bottle and jug department," they complained, was largely patronised by women of bad repute. All the witnesses admitted, however, that when complaint was made to the licensee he at once brought about an improvement, and the hotel had of late been well conducted.

Dr. Bamford, who appeared for the licensee, admitted that the police had given their evidence in perfect fairness. It was only during February and March, in the last hour of the evening, between nine and ten o'clock, that certain women had fallen into the habit of visiting what was known as the bottle and jug department. As soon as the licensee's attention was called to this fact he had at once put a stop to it. Otherwise, Dr. Bamford, contended, the evidence showed that the hotel had been well conducted.

The Chairman (Mr E. C. Cutten, S.M.) said that between January and March the conduct of the hotel was such that if the circumstances had been placed before the Licensing Bench at the time it was probable that the license would not have been renewed. The application would now be granted, but if any further complaints were made concerning the hotel the circumstances of the present case would be borne in mind.



### NEW ZEALAND RAILWAYS.

ON AND AFTER MONDAY, 1st JULY, 1912, the following time table alterations will be brought into operation:—

A goods train, with second class car attached, will leave Frankton for Cambridge at 3.35 p.m., Hamilton 3.45 p.m., arriving Cambridge 5.5 p.m. This train will return Cambridge to Frankton leaving Cambridge at 6.0 p.m., and arriving Frankton 7.30 p.m.

A train will leave Frankton for Thames at 7.10 a.m. daily, Te Aroha 9.35 a.m., arriving Thames 11.55 a.m. (passengers leaving Waihi for Paeroa by the 9.40 a.m. train will connect with this train at Paeroa.)

The goods train with car attached now leaving Paeroa for Frankton at 7.35 p.m. daily will NOT run, but in lieu thereof the present 3.55 p.m. daily train Thames to Te Aroha will run through to Frankton, arriving there at 8.35 p.m.

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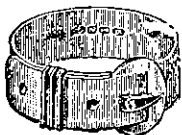
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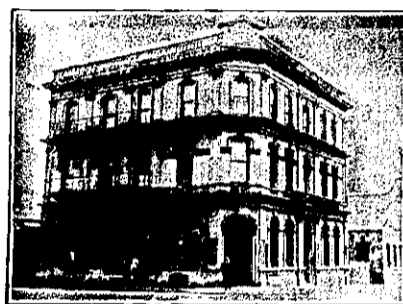
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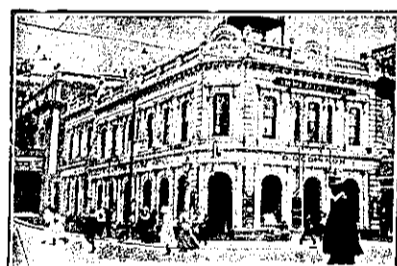
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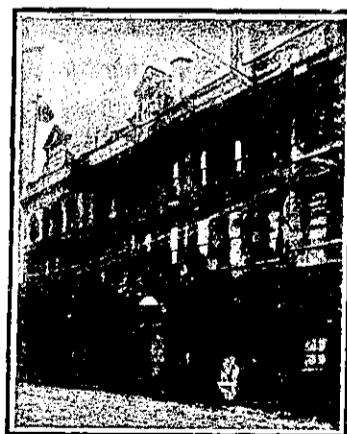


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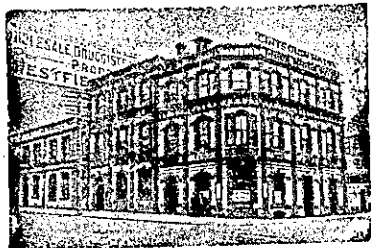
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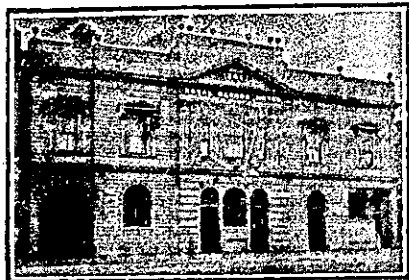
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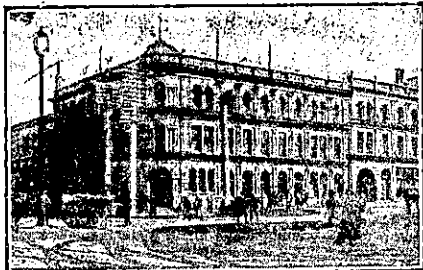
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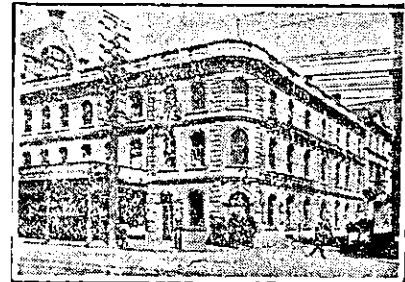
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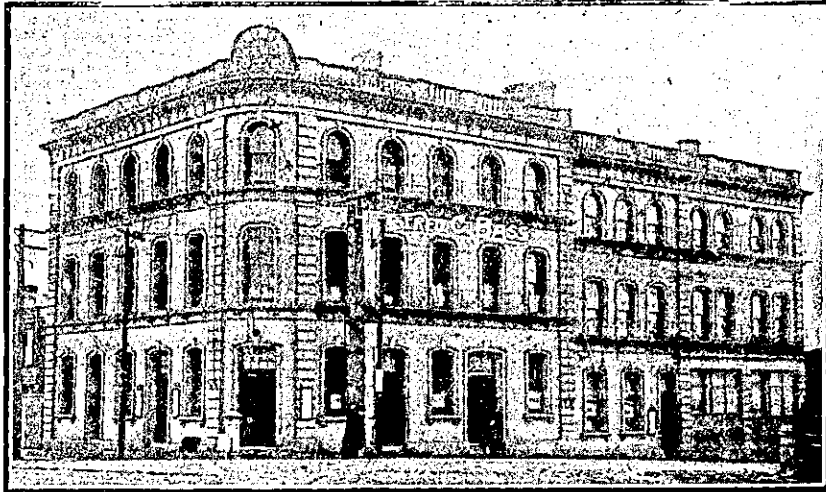
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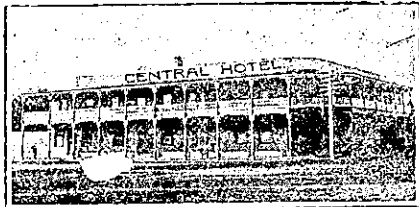


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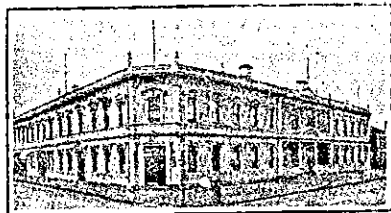
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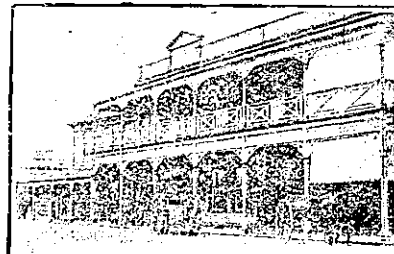
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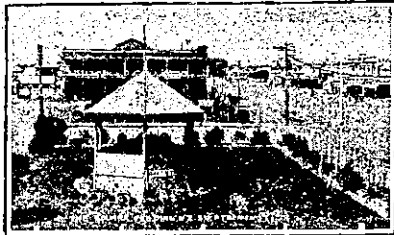
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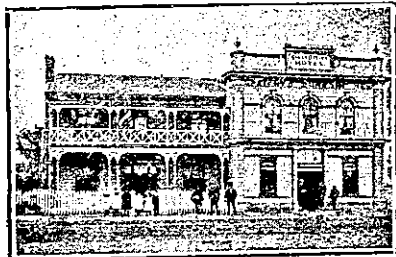
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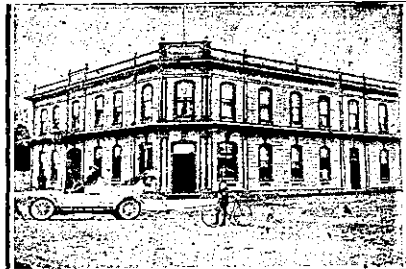
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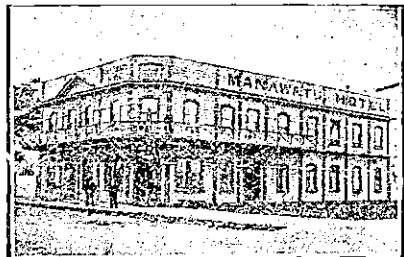
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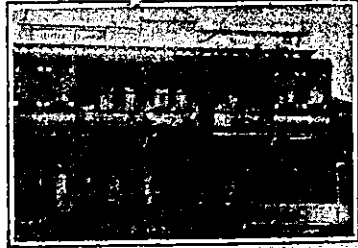


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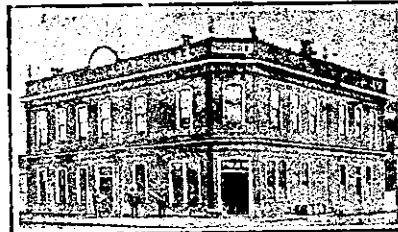
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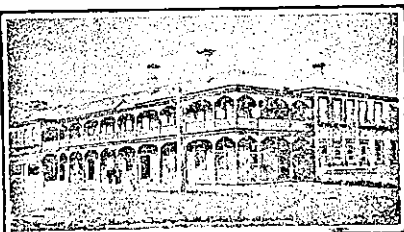


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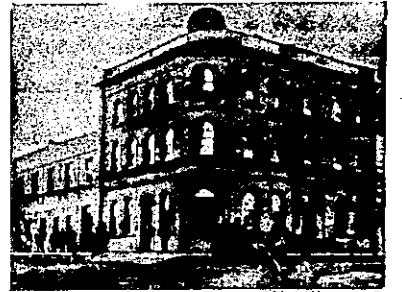
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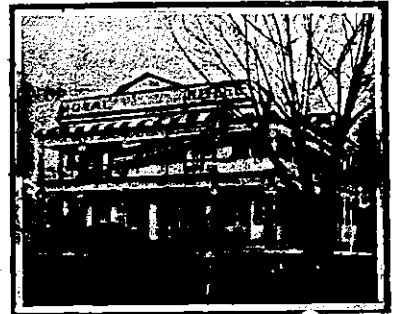
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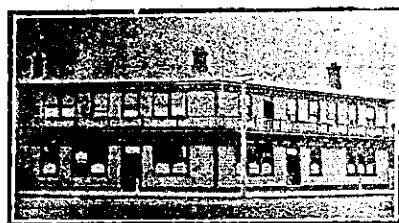
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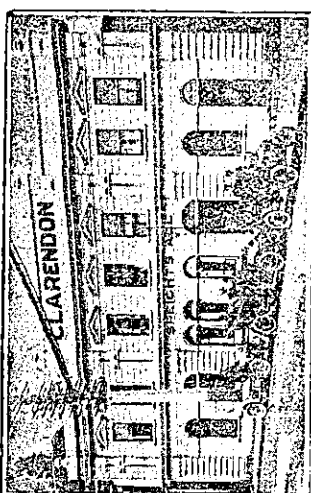
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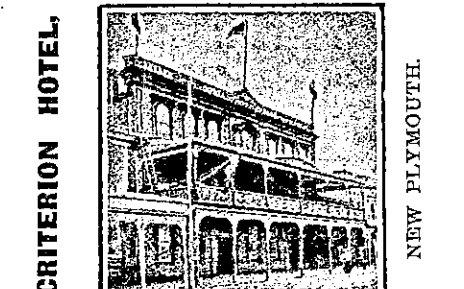
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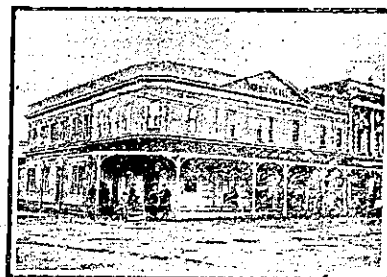


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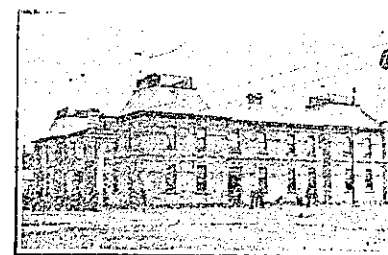
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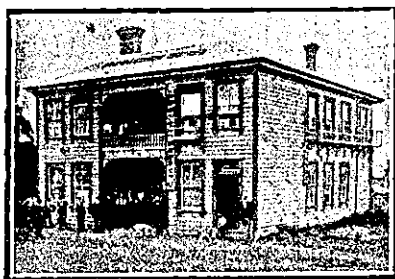
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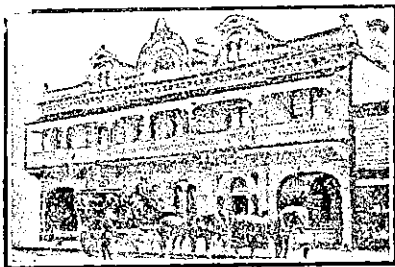
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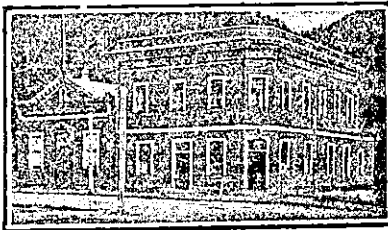
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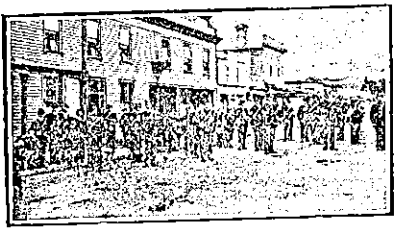


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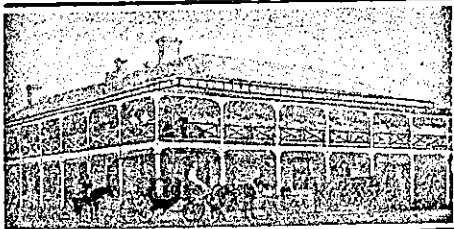
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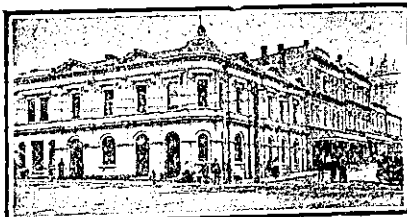
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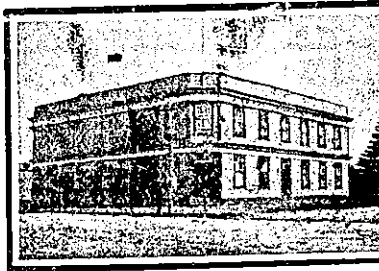
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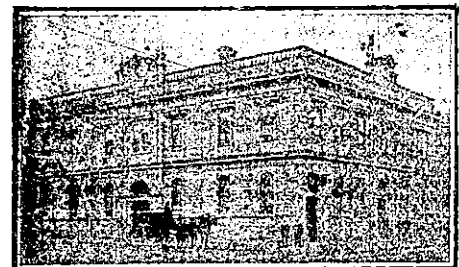
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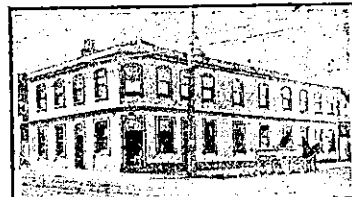
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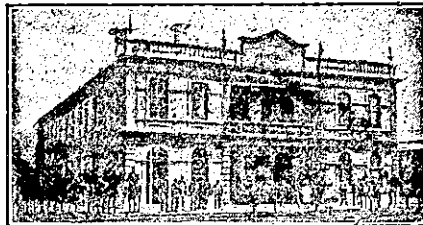


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