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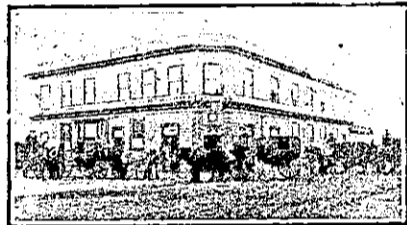
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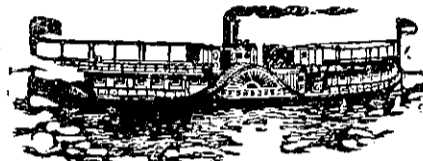
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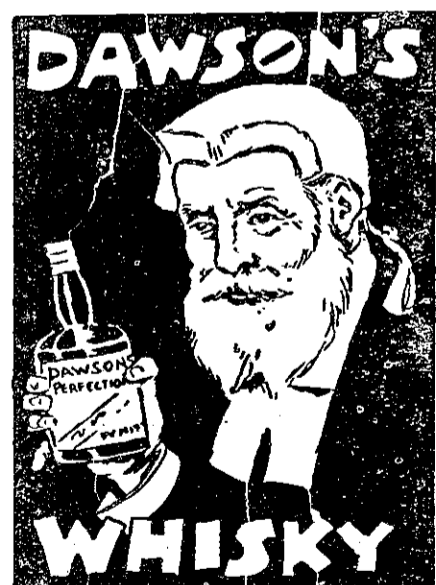
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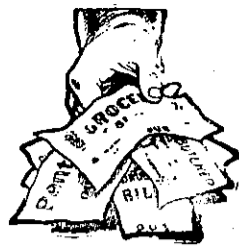
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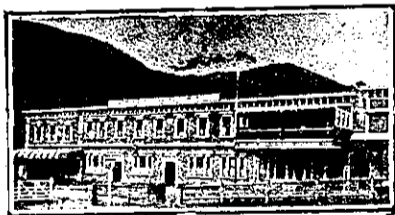
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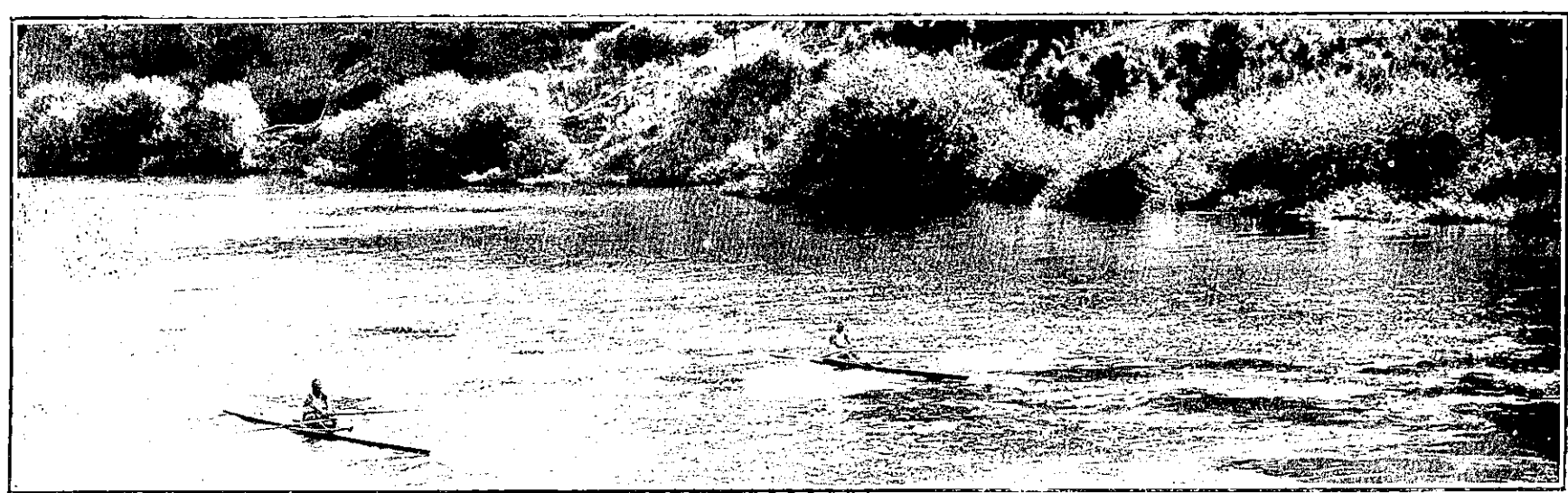
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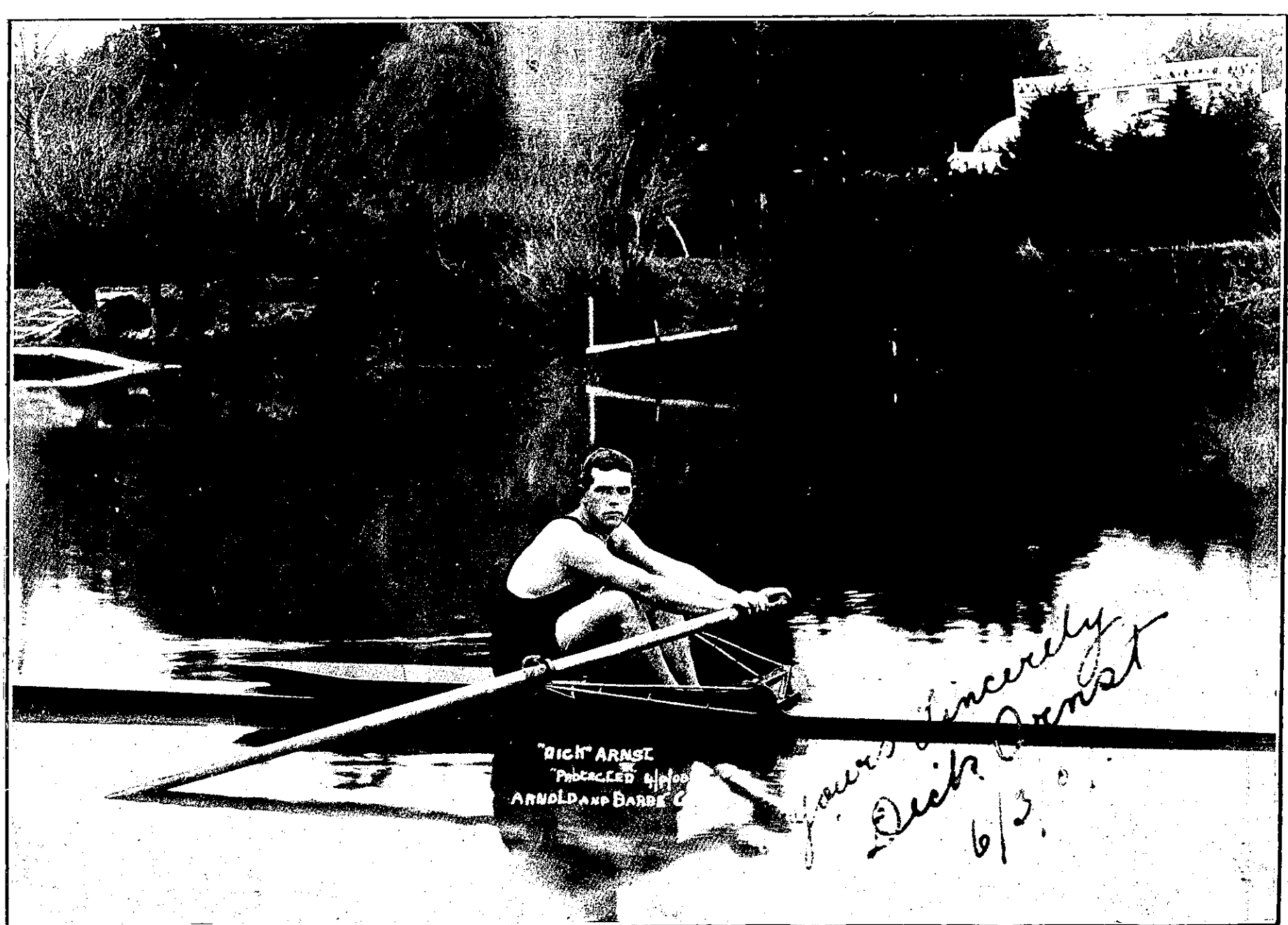
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# THE CLUBMAN.

The Racing Conference this year was remarkable in several respects. The delegates met to discuss a lengthy agenda paper and transacted their business with dispatch; but the outstanding feature of the Conference was the decision to confirm the principle of employing stipendiary stewards to safeguard the sport of racing against malpractices. The Hon. O. Samuel, of the Taranaki Jockey Club, stood sponsor to the resolution which eventuated in the first Stipendiary Stewards' Committee being set up to arrange the details necessary to carry the proposal into effect. It is still somewhat problematical whether stipendiaries will actually be appointed to act before the 1913-14 racing season. In view, however, of the strong feeling that prevails throughout the country the Committee will doubtless expedite matters so that the coming season (which opens next month) will be ushered in under the new order of things.

This important resolution passed by the Conference provides for the appointment of two or more stipendiary stewards, and substitute stipendiary stewards in the event of the permanent officials not being able to attend any race meeting. This, of course, leaves it entirely at the discretion of the Committee to decide the number of paid stewards they will appoint, and doubtless the number will be determined in the first instance by the estimated cost, which is to be provided by a percentage not to exceed one-eighth of the gross amounts received by totalisator clubs based on the takings of the season now closing.

The general opinion of delegates attending the Conference was that five stipendiaries would probably be appointed for the whole Dominion, three to represent the North and two the South Island. This would probably cost somewhere between £3000 and £3500 annually, on the basis of £500 a year to each steward, besides allowing £150 to £200 for travelling expenses and contingencies. In this connection it may be mentioned that the Australian Jockey Club are advertising for three stipendiary stewards at salaries of £600 each.

The success or otherwise of the new scheme must to a very large extent depend on the class of men selected

to carry out the duties of paid stewards. There will doubtless be several hundred sportsmen in New Zealand who may consider themselves fully qualified to act in the fiduciary capacity, but we anticipate that if the Committee receive applications from all these people they will still have a very serious and responsible task to perform before the appointments are made. To be a successful stipendiary steward a man must possess an unimpeachable record for honesty and straight dealing; he must also be a good judge of a horse and of pace; a critical observer of detail, and have an expert knowledge of the multifarious intricacies of racing from a trainer's and jockey's point of view, besides being well versed in the devices of "punters." Above all he must be a man of clear and quick judgment incapable of being swayed by influence or sentiment. How many such men are there? We answer remarkably few. But unless the Committee can secure men who can be classed under this severe standard, their appointment is not likely to improve the sport or purge it of the malpractices that are so often—sometimes without justice—held to its discredit.

Some of the country clubs have already raised their voices against the cost that will fall on them in defraying the expenses of stipendiary stewards, but when the matter is sifted it is palpable to the most casual observer that this wail is puerile, because it is the country clubs that are in most need of the protection that stipendiary stewards are expected to afford. We say this in no derogatory way, as we are well aware that country club officials, generally speaking, are as zealous and anxious to ensure clean racing as are their confreres of the Metropolitan Clubs, but the lack of experience is unquestionably a serious barrier to efficiency in this respect. It is only the man who has the opportunity of following particular horses and jockeys round a number of country meetings that is able to fairly apprise the genuineness of individual efforts. Consequently we make bold to declare that the country clubs will derive most benefit from the appointment of stipendiaries and will pay least for their service.

One of the greatest arguments our "friends the enemy"—the wowsers fraternity—have put forward against

the sport of racing in the past has been the dubious fact that such numbers of wasters follow the sport in the form of impecunious punters, guessers and speilers, who apparently look to racing as their sole means of dodging gaol for vagrancy. If these parasites of a noble sport can be exterminated it would indeed be the salvation of racing. We look forward with sanguine expectations to the presence of stipendiary stewards to achieve this purpose to a very substantial extent, provided, of course, that the right class of men are entrusted with the onerous and exacting duties.

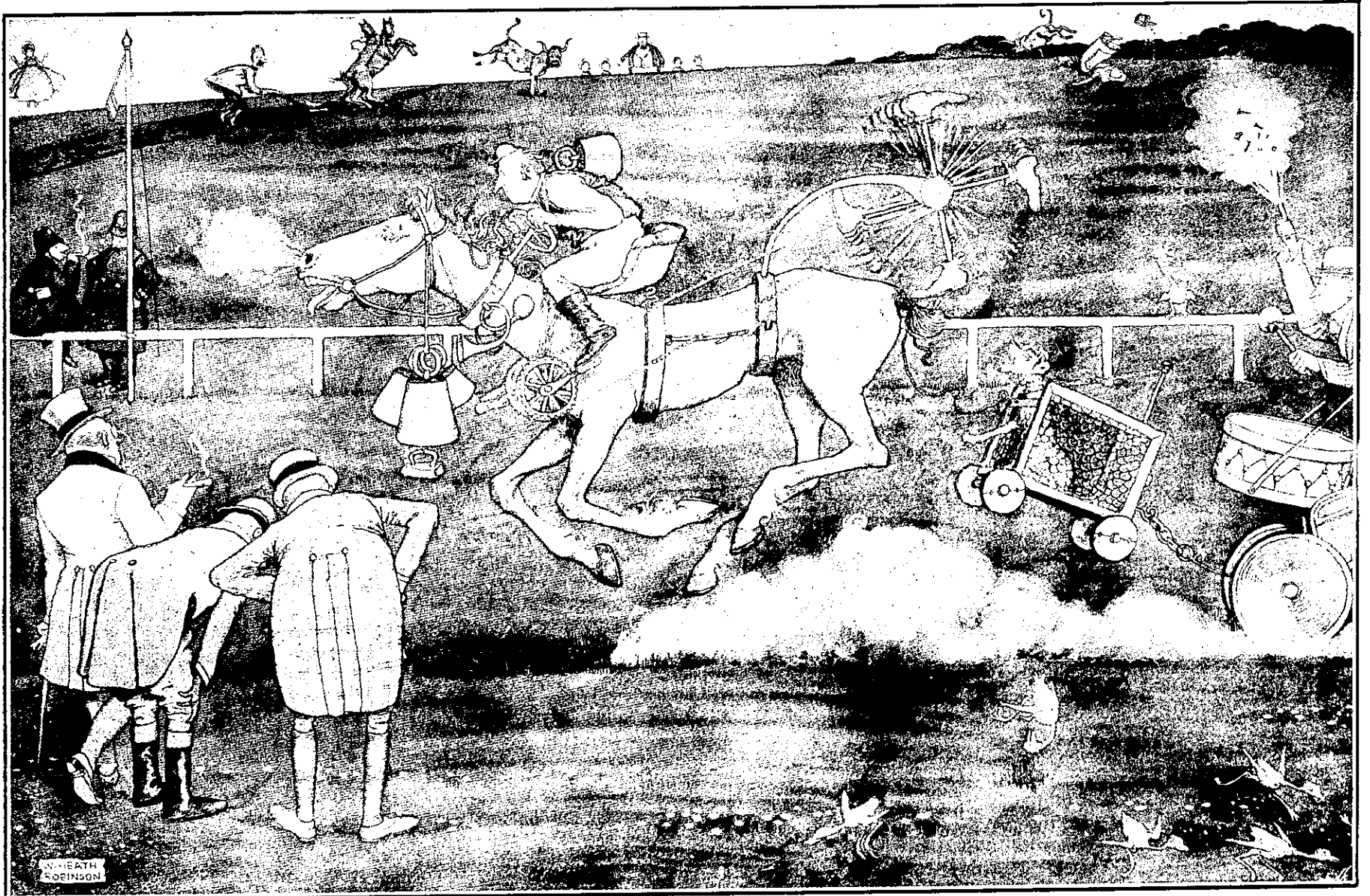
We naturally sympathise with country clubs, and for the matter of that, with all racing clubs, at the additional cost that has been placed upon them in having to suffer a further deduction from their receipts to provide the money to pay for the stipendiary stewards, because small as the one-eighth per cent. on gross totalisator takings may be, it is a further curtailment of the meagre margin of profit still open to clubs. It has been suggested that the Government should provide the necessary money out of the taxation exacted from racing clubs, or in the form of a special subsidy. This, however, does not commend itself to us, because it is not desirable that the Government should have any further direct relationship with the sport of racing than it already has. No other sport has suffered so much from political interference than has racing. Sportsmen are thoroughly competent and entitled to manage racing as is a parson to manage his Sunday school sports or a woman her raffles at a bazaar. It would be a mistake to ask the Government for any concession or subsidy to defray the cost of stipendiary stewards.

The extra cost the appointment of stipendiary stewards will entail could however be made a cogent argument for the Government for an alteration in the scheme of taxation thrust on the racing public. It is quite absurd that the Government should collect from the racing clubs two and a-half per cent of the gross returns of the clubs, excluding only nomination fees and members' subscriptions. To any intelligent person it must appear unfair that the gate and stand takings, the returns from the sale of privi-

leges and programmes, and all other sources of income should be subjected to taxation, any more than should the takings at a football match, theatrical entertainment, picture show, boxing contest, charity concert, or church bazaar. Surely if the Government wish to treat the sporting section of the community equitably, and not unnecessarily harrass the smaller clubs, they should be prepared to exempt from taxation all sources of income save the totalisator, which is a form of taxation that is borne either directly or indirectly by all who take part in or patronise the sport of racing, and would be accepted with equanimity by all sections of the community.

Everyone interested in the protection of the sport of horse racing should not only unite under the banner of the Sports Protection League to save it from the pernicious interference of the wowsers fraternity, but they should also stubbornly resist the sport becoming a plaything of political extremists, who are endeavouring to bring the sport more and more under Government control, so that ultimately it may become a pawn in the political game.

For a quarter of a century now the governing body of racing in this country has been the Racing Conference, and it is only necessary to quote the words of Sir George Clifford, in his presidential address this year, to appreciate what the sport owes to the zealous sportsmen who have, year after year, met to make and amend the rules of racing, and guide the individual clubs in the management of their affairs, to appreciate what New Zealand owes to these men. These are Sir George's words:—"This conference has now met for 25 years, and I believe that it is not itself conscious of the extent of the reform it has, during that period, gradually but surely effected. Its early career was a strenuous struggle against almost forgotten evils of long standing, while it had to smooth over jealousies which sprang from the inevitable surrender of local privileges. In time the advantages of concentrated control became too manifest for resistance. Small differences gave way to large aims, and delegates lent cordial cooperation in the fight against the influences most detrimental to pure sport."



TRAINING A FAVOURITE FOR THE DERBY.

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# RACING.

## RACING CALENDAR.

SEASON 1911-12  
FIXTURES.

Aug. 13, 15, and 17—Canterbury J.C. National

WEIGHTS ARE DUE.

Aug. 2—Canterbury J.C. (minor events)

ACCEPTANCES.

Aug. 9—Canterbury J.C. (minor events)  
Sept. 6—New Zealand Cup

RACING REFORM.

## STIPENDIARY STEWARDS TO BE APPOINTED.

The following is the text of an important resolution carried at the conference of New Zealand Jockey Club's on Thursday:—

"At each annual conference six persons shall be elected to constitute together with the president a committee, to be called 'The Stipendiary Stewards' Committee,' which shall be elected, with power to select and appoint not less than two persons to

services, and the amount required for the purpose, and in order to carry this rule into effect, shall be provided by the totalisator clubs, by the payment of a percentage not exceeding one-eighth per cent, of the gross amounts received by them respectively by way of investments on the totalisator during the preceding year, with regard, so far as the committee may find expedient, to any change in the number of days on which the totalisator is used by any club in the current year. The amount payable by each club shall be fixed by the committee, and be paid to the secretary of the conference, who shall apply it as the chairman may from time to time direct."

The matter was introduced by the Hon. O. Samuel (Taranaki), who said that after many years' consideration he could think of nothing better than the motion before the conference to bring about the necessary reform.

Mr Nolan (Taranaki country) seconded the motion.

The president said that Mr Samuel's proposal as first sub-

After further discussion the motion was amended to meet the necessary requirements as to finance and was carried in the above form amidst applause.

The following were appointed members of the first Stipendiary Stewards' Committee: the Hon. W. H. Herries, Messrs H. Friedlander, P. Miller, R. H. Nolan, E. B. Guinness, W. E. Bidwill and the president.

## GRAND NATIONAL ACCEPTANCES

The response from owners on Monday evening when the acceptances for the principal events at the Canterbury Jockey Club's meeting were received is highly satisfactory and promises well for a successful gathering at Riccarton next month.

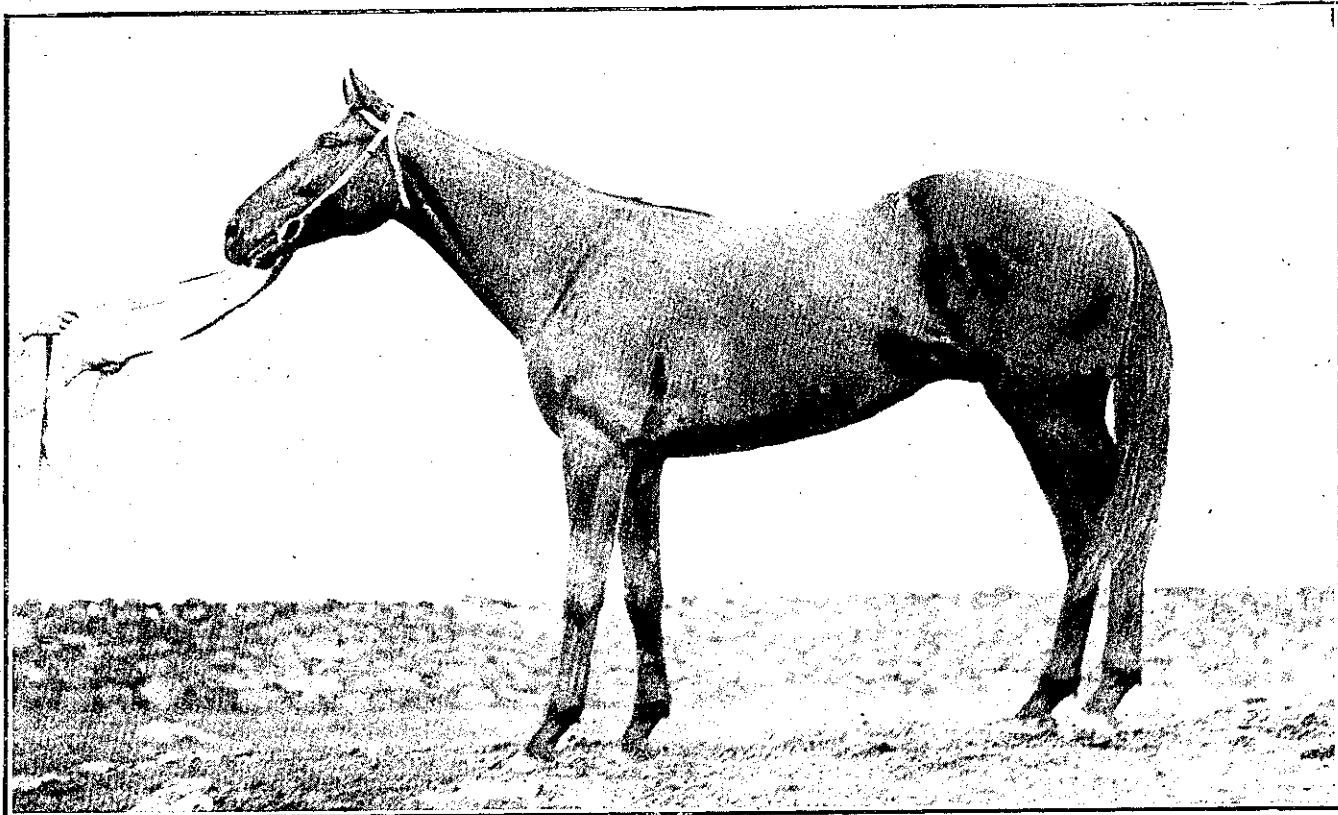
In the Grand National Steeplechase twenty horses have been paid up for and the list includes most of the Dominion's best 'chasers. The withdrawal of Te Arai leaves Continuance at the head of the handicap with 12.3 and at present the son of Sabretache is a staunch favourite for the event.

first time of asking. Black Northern has proved himself a really good hurdle horse and there appears no reason why he should not prove a success over the big fences. Sir Lethe and Paritutu have each 11.2 and of the pair the last-named will perhaps be preferred. He won the event last year from Corazon and Antarctic and may not have such formidable opponents next month. Sir Lethe is a bold jumper but may find the journey too far. Compass 10.9 must be given an outside chance, but unless Tyrannic 9.12 is capable of bringing off a surprise, it looks as though the winner will come from those above 11.0.

A good field of twenty-eight have accepted for the Grand National Hurdles and, as in the Steeplechase, Continuance again heads the list, this time with 12.7. It is reported that the connections of the horse have supported him for the Steeplechase, coupled with Koran and Coronetted in the Hurdles, and if this is correct then they cannot favour his chance in the Hurdles. Black Northern has received his full deserts at 12.2 and several of those below them should lower his colours. Paisano 11.11 has not performed over brilliantly in his latest essays and maybe he is not the horse of a couple of seasons back. The Rover, Koran and The Native have each 10.13 and a faster trio of hurdlers under a light weight it would be difficult to find. Given a dry day and the going firm, The Native would be extremely hard to beat, but the chances are that the course will be soft. The Rover ran a good second to Continuance last year, after receiving a bad passage in the straight and there are those who say that he, and not Continuance, should have won last year's event. Koran is at present a good second favourite, and as we know he can run out a merry two miles over the small fences, he is likely to hold his position. Flingot and Darby Paul on the 10.12 mark are in their right position, and in view of Darby Paul's win in the Final Hurdles on Saturday, he cannot be left out of calculations. The Winter Hurdles' winner, White Cockade, made short work of the opposition on Wednesday last but ran badly the second day. However, he hit one of the fences very hard and this may have been responsible for his failure to show up prominently. With a 14lb penalty his impost is now only 10.0 and he must be given a reasonable chance of victory. Of those handicapped under 10st Bully 9.13, Coronetted 9.9, and Sandy Paul 9.6 catch the eye. Bully is galloping better now than before the Northern meeting when he ran second to Napper. A couple of mornings ago, assisted by Monotone, he ran once round on the sand at Ellerslie in great style. He finished well, while from a time point of view the effort was above the ordinary for a hurdler. As a result of his decisive victory in the Parliamentary Handicap, Coronetted has advanced to the position of favourite for the big Riccarton event, and there are those who will not hear of his defeat. He certainly appears to have all the best of it on paper, but at Ellerslie in June he did not jump well and will want to improve in this department to keep pace with horses like Koran, The Native and The Rover. Sandy Paul filled the role of runner-up to White Cockade in the Winter Hurdles, and with only 9.6 to carry at Riccarton, he should be in a position to make a bold showing.

The Winter Cup (flat) has attracted an acceptance of twenty-seven horses. Salute is in pride of place with 10.9, and he should be capable of running out a mile despite her impost. Mangaroa 9.13, Prosper 9.11, Mt. Victoria 9.7, and Ladron 9.5, are well supported for the event which bears a decidedly open appearance.

The Grand Prize at Hamburg, value £5000, was run last month, being won by the three-year-old Gulliver II, (Hannibal—Gnadigste), who hails from the Royal Graditz stud.



A FULL-BROTHER TO THE BRILLIANT FILLY, BRONZE.—Mr G. M. Currie's br g BATTLE ABBEY, by Field Battery—Our Lady.

act as stipendiary stewards at race meetings, on such terms, with such powers, and subject to such conditions, as the committee may by laws or regulations (which they are hereby authorised to make), prescribe. Such by-laws and regulations shall, when signed by the chairman of the committee be transmitted to the secretary of the conference, and notified, and shall thereafter have equal force and effect as if they were by-laws and regulations made by the conference itself. The committee, of which the president shall be chairman, may delegate to him all or any of the powers of the committee, other than the power of appointing stipendiary stewards, and the power of making, rescinding, or varying by-laws and regulations (hereby conferred on the committee), and the chairman may exercise such delegated powers as if they were hereby conferred on the chairman in the same manner as they are hereby conferred on the committee. In the event of no stipendiary steward being able to attend to any race meeting, a substitute stipendiary steward may be appointed by the committee, or its chairman, to act at such race meeting, and in respect of such race meeting, shall be deemed for all purposes a stipendiary steward. The committee shall determine the remuneration to be paid to the stipendiary stewards for their

mitted left the financial aspect in a somewhat nebulous condition. Referring to the work of the stewards, the president said their chief business would be to follow the running from one meeting to another and detect malpractices. The class of man required could not easily be obtained unless adequate remuneration was offered. He must be a man of character, one that could be thoroughly trusted, one with an inner knowledge of racing, and generally possessing the very best qualities. Sir George estimated the cost of the new scheme at £4000 per annum. As a method of raising this, he suggested a levy of 1/8 per cent, on the club's totalisator receipts. On the last year's figures this would have realised £3002, Auckland paying £453, Canterbury £365, Wellington £260, Dunedin £140, Wanganui £136, and other clubs smaller amounts. There was an alternative method which suggested itself. The jockey's provident fund had a sum of over £12,000 on fixed deposit. He thought that was a sufficient reserve for all demands that were likely to arise, and it might be that, if the reserve were fixed at £10,000 and maintained at that figure, the balance of contributions, together with a levy of 1-16 per cent, on totalisator receipts might supply the necessary funds for payment of stipendiary stewards.

He was withdrawn from the Wellington Steeplechase on account of the going, which was exceptionally heavy and perhaps too much reliance must not be placed upon the showings of several of those seen out at Trentham. Antarctic, 12.2, ran a good race in beating all but Captain Jingle in the Wellington Steeplechase, but those who saw the big chestnut are writing him out of his National engagement. There can be no doubt but that Antarctic is a great horse when well but at present he appears to be a long way below his best form. Hautere 11.9 shaped badly at Wellington and was a very tired horse when J. Deerey pulled him up half a mile from home. The heavy going could not have told against him as the same conditions prevailed when he won the Great Northern. Hautere is not a very big horse, and may not be able to carry substantial imposts when pitted against strong opposition. Captain Jingle won both steeplechases at Trentham and in each instance he had matters all his own way at the finish. He has now incurred the maximum 14lb penalty which brings his impost up to 11.7, but even now he should be a tough proposition and will most likely see a short price. Black Northern 11.3 is evidently being reserved for the event, but it is a big question to expect a maiden 'chaser to win Grand National honours at the

# TURF TOPICS.

Season of 1911-12 concluded.

Grand National meeting on August 13, 15, and 17.

Coronnetted will be ridden in the Grand National Hurdles by W. Young.

Coronnetted and Koran, coupled with Continuance, are the favourite combinations for the Grand National double.

Don Quex ran second to Berale in the Hurdle Race at Canterbury Park (Sydney) on Thursday last.

After winning the Parliamentary Handicap, Coronnetted at once advanced to the position of favourite for the C.J.C. Grand National Hurdles.

The stakes disbursed by the Victoria Racing Club last season amounted to £69,273.

Waikaraka, the Southland candidate for the Grand National Hurdles, is shaping pleasingly in his work.

The balance-sheet of the Egmont Racing Club shows a profit of £790 3s 2d on the year's workings.

The New Zealand Cup winner, Canteen, had to be destroyed, it transpires, through having his left hind pastern badly broken.

P. McManemin, charged with the theft of the racing mare Soutloria, has been committed for trial.

During the last week or so the local horseman, C. Brown, has been superintending the preparation for D. Moraghan's Ellerslie team.

Hautere was a very tired horse when J. Deerey pulled him up seven furlongs from home in the Wellington Steeplechase.

Hilarian ricked his fetlock somewhat badly a few days ago. N. Williams has had him under special treatment, and the San Fran gelding is now able to take walking exercise.

When the last mail left England the Australian jockey, F. Wootton, had ridden nearly 50 winners, and was at the head of the list of winning horsemen.

Te Rahui, who fell in the Hack Steeplechase on the opening day of the Wellington meeting, and met with injuries which necessitated his destruction, was a gelding by Strowan-Booby and therefore a brother to Paisano.

After the race for the Winter Hurdles at Wellington McFlynn, who rode Master Theory, said the gelding ran sour in the early stages, but was finishing well at the end. On the second day Master Theory was only beaten a head by Darby Paul.

Kielder, who competed unsuccessfully at the Gisborne meeting, is now a member of F. McManemin's stable at Ellerslie.

Owing to injuries received while running in the paddock at Hawera the hurdler Lochguard, owned by Mr J. Davidson, had to be destroyed this week.

The hunter, Miss Gibbs, a seven-year-old mare, by Chief Commander, has been placed in J. Gravestock's hands at Clareville. She is a good jumper, with a fair amount of pace.

Goodwin Park, who was favourite for the Winter Hurdles, ran prominently for a mile and a half, when he was done with, and finally finished sixth, a long way from the winner.

The going at Wellington was all against The Native, but nevertheless, the black gelding was always out forcing the pace in the early stages. He should be dangerous when the going is firm.

White Cockade, who won the Winter Hurdles at Wellington, has only been in work since May. This being so the racing last week should benefit him considerably, and he may play an important part in the decision of events at the National meeting.

Armagh ran a fair race in the Hack Steeplechase at Trentham, but had no chance with Torbelle and Taiaha. Armagh was not suited by the heavy going.

At the Victoria Amateur Turf Club's meeting on Saturday the Merrivewee gelding, Wimmera, gave a glimpse of his true form by winning the Hurdle Race.

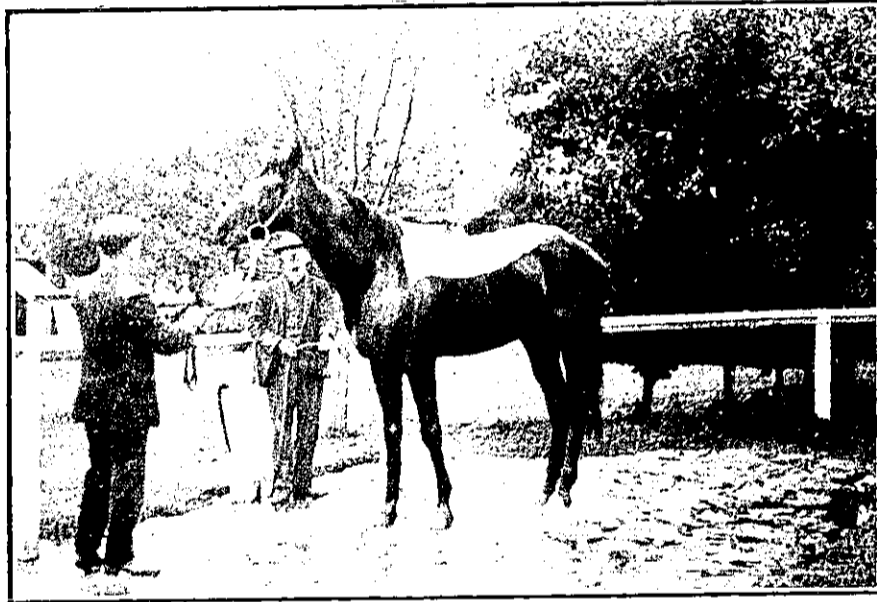
Prince Palatine, who won the Ascot Gold Cup, also carried off the Eclipse Stakes of 10,000 sovs at Sandown Park on Friday last.

The Signalman gelding, Mt. Victoria, is running very consistently this season, and has won seven events for his owner, Mr H. Whitney, in a very brief period.

Zante, who ran third in the Wellington Steeplechase, is now being trained by R. Hannon, who also had Salute and Uranium at the meeting.

At the Gisborne meeting the Ellerslie trainer, D. Moraghan, won six events with his horses, but at Wellington his record was three seconds out of four starts.

La Reina was only started once at Wellington, this being in the Stewards' Handicap, in which event she was badly left at the start.



TRAINER G. ABSOLUM HOSING DOWN THE WELL-KNOWN AUCKLAND RACEHORSE, WAIMANGU.

In both the Wellington Steeplechase and Hack Steeplechase on Wednesday the placed horses were the only ones to finish the course without mistake.

To give some indication of the state of the going on the opening day of the Wellington meeting it may be remarked that no horse won a flat race handicap carrying more than nine pounds above the minimum.

Bollin ran a good race in the Winter Hurdles. He was always near the front, and it was only in the last few strides that Sandy Paul cut him out of second place.

Captain Jingle is proving payable property to Mr J. Hennah, as the son of Captain Webb has annexed the Napier Park, Wellington, and July Steeplechases during the month.

It is stated that the day before the Wellington Steeplechase Captain Jingle could hardly place his foot on the ground, and his connections were experiencing some anxious moments. However, every attention was paid to the gelding, who eventually started and won the event easily.

The honours of the race for the Wellington Steeplechase belong to Antarctic, whose condition, to judge from appearances, could have been improved. At the post the son of Salvadan was kept on the trot, and moved short. When Compass came to grief Antarctic lost a lot of ground, but nevertheless struggled on gamely, and finished up a creditable second. It is a pity such a fine horse cannot be given a solid preparation.

The balance-sheet of the New Zealand Racing Conference shows that the Accident Fund has £12,890 on fixed deposit or in the bank.

The first race meeting to be decided in Auckland next season is that of the Waikato Hunt Club which is set down for decision on September 7.

A. Julian expects to be well enough to ride Paritutu in the Grand National Steeplechase. The old gelding has been going on the right way since his arrival at Trentham.

Captain Jingle and White Cockade have each earned the full penalty for the Grand National Steeplechase and Hurdle race respectively.

Dr. Ring recently operated on Silva for respiratory troubles and the brown son of Sylvia Park and Pauline is said to have considerably benefited thereby.

The two-year-old filly by San Fran—Kissmary has had the name Kismet bestowed on it. The youngster is a sister to Ngakau.

J. Fryer had intended bringing St. Serf and Bismarck down from Hawera to compete at Trentham, but the later having broken down the trip was abandoned.

The programme of the Auckland Racing Club for the coming season has not yet been passed by the full committee, and it is understood nothing definite will be decided upon until near the end of the month.

At Hendon the other day the crack rider, M. Maher, had a new experience, going up for a fly with Mr Graham White in the latter's aeroplane.

The Messrs Duder Bros. were unlucky with the first visit of their horses to Trentham. Tui Cakobau did not start, while La Reina in her one essay was badly left at the post.

The dates of the New Zealand Cup meeting are November 2, 4, 6, 9. The A.J.C. spring meeting, at which several New Zealand horses are engaged, starts on October 5 and finishes on October 12.

Bronze, Ermengarde, and the two Charlemagne II. youngsters that are to carry "Mr Highden's" colours at the A.J.C. spring meeting, were shipped to Sydney on Friday afternoon by the Ulimaroa. The horses looked in capital condition to make the voyage, and G. Price should be able to hasten them along on the tracks soon after their arrival on the other side.

The state of the going at Trentham caused Jervis George to withdraw Paritutu from his Wellington engagements. In the Grand National Steeplechase the son of Castor will be ridden by A. Julian, and can be depended upon to be a tough proposition.

Darby Paul's victory in the Final Hurdles at Trentham was a big surprise to those present. On the opening day in the Winter Hurdles he was slow to leave the mark, but made up very little ground, and finished outside the first half-dozen. On Saturday he was always within striking distance of the leaders, and in a good finish beat Master Theory by a head. Darby Paul returned his supporters over a third of a century.

A Grand National Hurdles candidate, The Rover, was favourite for the Parliamentary Handicap, but at no part of the contest did he show up prominently. He has returned to Foxton, and will there receive the final touches before his Riccarton campaign.

G. Pratt, a prominent Australian lightweight jockey, will leave shortly for India, having accepted an engagement to ride for his Highness the Kour Sahib of Patiala. The horses in the stable to which Pratt will be attached include Saxonite and Gunboat, two good performers recently shipped to India from Australia.

The Hon. J. D. Ormond seems to have the trial Plate at the winter gathering of the Wellington Racing Club, as a perquisite, for during the ten years that it has been carded by the club, it has on six occasions been won by bearers of the all cerise jacket and cap. Twice has the Karamu trained contingent been second, once unplaced. In the other instance, the year that the race first found a place on the programme, the Master of Karamu did not have a representative carrying his racing badge. The list of winners of the event is as follows:—1903 Commonwealth, 1904 Mouro (The Stake second), 1905 Mobility, 1906 Wirral, 1907 All Red (Wallasey second), 1908 Effort, 1909 Dreadless, 1910 Morecombe, 1911 Ainsdaye, 1912 Peary.

The question is often raised as to gambling between betting on a horse race and speculating on the possible fall or rise of some particular stock. Of course, opinions differ, but the fact remains that many people who regard the latter procedure as legitimate business would not bet on a horse race themselves, nor countenance anyone else doing so. More particularly does the latter apply to most of our clergy, therefore it is quite refreshing to read that in Minneapolis a few weeks ago the Board of Bishops of the Methodist Episcopal Church reported to the general conference of the Church in favour of lifting the ban from attendance at race meetings, among other things. The twenty-four Bishops who formulated the report declared that the ecclesiastical rules in force since 1872 could not fix the point between the Turk and the Stock market. And really, when it comes to gambling, the line of demarcation is very faint between backing one horse to beat others, and what is tantamount to betting whether a certain crop is a failure or not, or that some mineral or other will be found in payable quantities.

Taketuma, who has proved a disappointment in most of her races, easily won the Kia Ora Handicap at Trentham on Saturday, defeating a good favourite in Diavolo. Taketuma is owned by Mr W. C. King, and is a full-sister to Mighty Atom.

The Waikato-owned mare Salute ran a good race in the Parliamentary Handicap at Wellington. She was out forcing the pace till the straight was reached, when she failed to go on, and eventually finished third to Coronnetted and Brown Trout.

Coronnetted was not long in returning his purchase money to his new owner, Mr J. McKelvie, as the chestnut son of Coronet won the Parliamentary Handicap, worth 240 sovs to the winner, at the first time of asking. At the conclusion of the Great Northern meeting last month Mr McKelvie bought the gelding for 150 guineas.

The Torpedo gelding, Torbelle, was nearly down at the wattle fence in the Hack Steeplechase at Wellington, but his rider, W. Porter, made a wonderful recovery, and was rewarded by landing his mount a winner. On the second day Torbelle won again, but was this time ridden by H. McSweeney.

Sandy Paul, who has performed poorly since his easy victory in the Brighton Hurdles at Ellerslie, at the A.R.C. autumn meeting, gave a glimpse of his best at Wellington last week, when he ran second in the Winter Hurdles and third in the Final Hurdles. On each occasion he was ridden by the Auckland horseman, J. Deerey.

Although Kildonan accepted for the Grand National Hurdles on Monday, he was withdrawn from the event next day.

The Auckland horseman A. J. McFlynn has been offered the mount on Coronetted in the Grand National Hurdles.

J. Deerey says he never rode such a tired horse as Hautere was when pulled up in the Wellington Steeplechase.

The stallion Gluten is advertised for private sale in this issue. Gluten is the sire of Gloy, Goldsize, Doughboy and other good performers.

Lloyds is at present on the easy list, but will be placed in work shortly with a view to spring racing. Lady Betty, also being looked after by H. Barr, is wintering well. The same stable shelters a colt (trotter) by Specialist—Wilhelmina.

Bully is galloping in great style at Ellerslie, and will probably be sent to Riccarton next week to fulfil his engagement in the Grand National Hurdles. Bully is going as well as before the Great Northern meeting, when he ran second to Napper.

A filly by Boniform is being handled by A. McMillan at Ellerslie.

Besides First Wairiki, J. McHugh is handling a rising two-year-old by Wairiki—Repulse.

The Gladstone gelding Sir Gladstone has been turned out, and it is hardly likely that he will return to the race track.

Idealism was taken to the Wellington meeting but the son of Birkenhead was not started on either day.

The fine looking mare Antoinette has brightened up considerably and she promises to be at her best when early spring racing is being decided.

A filly named Vengeance, by Seaton Delaval, is being worked at Ellerslie by R. E. Brown.

F. Loomb is now handling a rising three-year-old filly by King's Guest—Young Uira. She bears a racy appearance and should turn out well.

Lubricator (Soul—Folly) and Spinstar (Soul—Waitarua) have been handled, and are now located at Mr. Muir's stables, Greenlane.

As a result of his dual victory at Wellington, Captain Jingle will now have to carry 11.7 in the Grand National Steeplechase.

J. Williamson withdrew Okaihou from the Grand National Steeplechase, and will now be represented by Hautere and Armagh.

Although the two-year-old track at Ellerslie is ready for use, no work has been registered on it for some mornings past, owing to the heavy rains. The track has been splendidly laid down, and is highly spoken of by trainers.

The Cuirassier gelding Newtown, who has been used as a hack for a couple of seasons, is now in work at Ellerslie. Surely it is too much to expect the gelding to win races in the future.

At the Melbourne Trotting Club's meeting last week the Sydney two-year-old filly Nan trotted a mile heat in 2min 25sec, and thereby established a new record for Australasia by clipping 1½sec off the time registered by the Victorian pacer De'aven Chimes. The race was the Sires' Produce Stakes for two-year-old pacers in harness.

Continuance is the ruling favourite for the Grand National Steeplechase.

The stallion, Highland Chief, and the rising three-year-olds, Hierarchy, and his Eminence, purchased at auction last week by Mr Jubb, have gone into Whitaker's charge at Ellerslie.

The rising two-year-old colt Flying Feather, by Obligado—Cadence, which was knocked down at auction the other day at 10gs to Mr Brown, of Dargaville, has gone into P. Conway's stable.

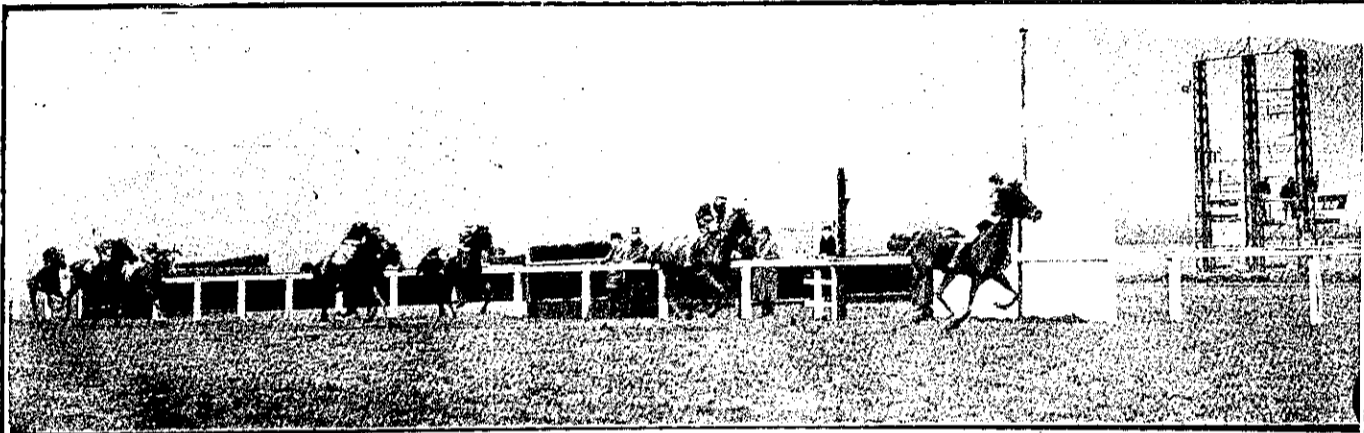
A. J. McFlynn, who this season topped the list of winning horsemen over fences, was presented with a gold watch at Wellington on Saturday evening. B. Deeley, the premier horseman on the flat, is in Sydney, and it is stated that he will receive his watch from A. Oliver, who will take it across to Sydney at the conclusion of the National meeting.

The Trotting Derby Thousand, a £1000 race for three-year-old trotters and pacers, arranged by the Melbourne Trotting Club, will be run in March, 1914, as advertised in the present issue, and nominations of 1910 foals are due with the secretary, Mr. A. J. Gray, 161 Russell-street, Melbourne, on or before 30th inst (July). The race will be run in two divisions, one for trotters and one for pacers, and this arrangement will provide a perfect and fair contest in each class. No charge is made for nominating.

The committee appointed on Thursday by the New Zealand Racing Conference for the purpose of selecting and appointing stipendiary stewards, met on Friday morning for the first time. Sir Geo. Clifford, chairman of the committee, stated that the meeting was mainly for the purpose of considering the conditions under which the stewards will work. As yet it had not been definitely decided how many stewards would be appointed, but the committee were bent upon getting the scheme into working order with the least possible delay, and applications for the positions will be called very shortly.

Joseph O'Connell, who rode Captain Jingle to victory in the Wellington Steeplechase, was confident all along of the horse's ability to win, and would not listen to the suggestion that the horse was short of work. After the race, in conversation with "Glenceo" of the "Dominion," O'Connell stated that, with the exception of one fence (the brush, the second time) his horse jumped perfectly throughout. At no time was the jockey uneasy. Compass he regarded as his most formidable opponent by the time that the first round had been completed, but, after the Hawera horse fell at the stone-wall, everything was plain sailing. Captain Jingle (says O'Connell) had his mind on his work the whole way, while Compass was watching the other horses, and, apparently, did not properly see the fence which brought him down. O'Connell is very fond of the winner, and says that few people know how good he is in heavy going. As to the horse's jumping, his jockey states that he will be an old man before ever he sits astride a better fencer.

The somewhat selfish objection made by the C.J.C. to the Wellington Racing Club racing on October 26th and 28th (which includes the Labour Day holiday) was very properly overruled by the conference, says a Wellington writer. The arguments in favour of it were so obviously not tenable that one rather wonders at them being brought forward. One delegate went so far as to say that if the dates applied for by the W.R.C. were granted it would create a very dangerous precedent as it had been laid down that where one club had established dates another club should not be given dates to interfere with them. Of course the obvious rejoinder to this is that as the meetings will be five days apart, and the two cities are only separated by a twelve hours' journey, the dates do not clash. On the contrary their proximity will form an additional reason for northern owners to come south. As in the case of the recently refused request by the C.J.C. to hold back the Grand National handicaps until after the W.R.C. meeting, the southern club does not seem fully alive to its own interests.



MT. VICTORIA (S. Reid) wins the Stewards' Handicap (seven furlongs) from SHUJA (W. Price) and DE-PLOY (Tricklebank) at the Wellington Racing Club's Winter Meeting. TAKING THE WATER JUMP IN THE FIRST HACK AND HUNTERS' STEEPLECHASE ON THE OPENING DAY OF THE WELLINGTON MEETING.

Wingarra, winner of the V.R.C. Grand National Hurdles, was bought cheaply by his owner, Mr. L. Robertson, for 95 guineas.

The Field Battery filly Almeida, who was placed out of commission through being galloped on, is back in work at Ellerslie. She is still in J. Williamson's stable.

W. Retter, who was injured while schooling Parallel at Riccarton some time ago, has regained consciousness and is now on the road to recovery.

Prior to the Wellington meeting Black Northern was reported to be jumping the big fences at Napier in good style. The Auckland horse may be hard to dispose of at Riccarton next month.

"Drivers must be properly and neatly dressed." That is one of this year's mandatory American Trotting Association rules. Another important rule is, "a driver shall not drive a horse in the race without personal knowledge as to the eligibility of the horse to compete in the said contest."

At a meeting of the Taranaki metropolitan committee on Saturday notice was received from the Wanganui Club that it had suspended the jockey's license held by R. Lambess for failing to appear before the metropolitan committee when requested to do so. The same club had, also, cancelled Copestake's jockey's license for disorderly conduct.

The ex-Auckland pony Caedmon recently won a small race in Australia. C. Coleman is handling a rising two-year-old brother to Caedmon.

Sphinx and Glad Tidings are now being trained at Ellerslie by F. Stenning. This educator will have a good string to do battle for him next season.

After a couple of months' absence from the track the mare Vestal is again in work at Ellerslie under P. Conway's care.

On the night before the recent Ballina (N.S.W.) pony meeting an attempt was made to poison the mare Noble Maggie. In connection with this matter a man has since been arrested and brought before the Ballina Police Court, when he was remanded and bail refused.

During the past season no fewer than 2014 horses were registered under the New Zealand Racing Conference Accident Fund. The total amount paid in claims during the same time was £1894 7s 4d, while £176 still remains in abeyance.



PEARY (W. Ryan) returning to the enclosure after his victory in the Trial Plate (six furlongs) at the Wellington R.C.'s Winter Meeting.

## RACING CONFERENCE.

The Racing Conference met in Wellington on Thursday, Sir George Clifford presiding.

## THE PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

The president delivered the following address:—

We have to deplore to-day the adence from our midst of Mr. C. Hood-Williams, whose long experience rendered him from the earliest of this conference one of its most useful members.

We have now had one complete season's test of the ill-advised legislation which so unduly restricted the days of racing within the Dominion. Even if we admit that some few of the many racing clubs abused their trust, or failed to justify their existence, or were in undue proximity to neighbouring courses, no justification existed in this widely-distributed and growing community for a cast-iron legislation curtailing the recreations of the people and preventing their legitimate expansion in proportion to increasing population. This hysteric law-making must finally result in depriving many country districts of an annual holiday, or in seriously injuring those greater meetings which are chiefly instrumental in encouraging the breeding of the best class of horses. Let us hope that saner counsels will prevail, and that our legislators may learn in the near future that an amply supply of high class thoroughbred sires is essential for breeding good cavalry and general utility horses. The restrictive enactments have been based on want of knowledge and false analogies. The average inhabitant of New Zealand, with its many centres of population, cannot attend one-tenth of the race meetings available to the Englishman with his perfect system of race trains or to the dwellers in the principal Australian cities, whose opportunities recur almost every week. I maintain that we need more racing and more weight-for-age contests of the best class. Crush down abuses with the firmest of hands, but do not involve in one common ruin the imperfections of a great industry and its undeniable advantages to the State.

Two classes of offence stand out for repression. First, attempts by owners or trainers to cheat handicappers and the public; second, conspiracies between jockeys and others to defraud. Not a tithe of the innuendoes spread broadcast by tongue and pen have truth in them; but when they exist, the first and most efficient preventive will spring from the effective suppress of the already illicit source of temptation. A second remedy, which is only a palliative, is suggested in the appointment of stipendiary stewards, and these policemen of the turf, if possessing the requisite knowledge and force of character, may be a secondary help towards purging us of the perilous stuff which we so earnestly strive to eliminate. As to the second class of offence, resulting from dishonest combinations of jockeys and others, its suspected existence is in great measure attributable to the false mercy which has granted another and yet another chance to offenders, and so wrought mischief to them and to the reputation of the entire body of deserving horsemen. For conclusive victory over these accusations against us we appeal, first, to the authorities to enforce the law by stopping its systematic defiance by bookmakers; and, secondly, to our own friends to refrain from so dubious a method of speculation as they afford. Attack the poisonous fruit at the very root of the tree.

In passing, I may protest against the senseless prohibition of the publication of totalisator figures and dividends after the race. This serves no purpose except to abet the schemes of the professional trickster as against the straightforward sportsman, and reaches its climax of absurdity when applied to such races as the Epsom Derby.

The diminution of racing consequent upon "The Gaming Amendment Act, 1910," is shown as follows.—81 clubs held 127 meetings (242 days' racing) in 1910-11; 66 clubs held 108 meetings (199 days' racing) in 1911-12. The increase of totalisator investments may be partially caused by this decrease of competition, but must have been mainly diverted from the banished bookmakers, as indicated by the large sums formerly paid by them in fees.

A difficulty often arises, on change of ownership, where a buyer who has not previously paid an accident fee on another horse imagines that in purchasing a horse on which the fee has been paid he also purchases the

advantages of the insurance fund. The right to these advantages is personal to the individual subscriber, and attaches against all the prescribed accidents on his payment of a single fee, but no such right passes to a purchaser. If he has not already paid a fee on another horse, he must qualify by payment on the purchased horse.

I cannot conclude without a word of commendation for the Sports Protection League. It promises, with its huge membership, to be a bulwark of defence for all our sports and pastimes, against that surging intolerance which spies evil in the innocent recreations which are its best antidote. Lovers of all legitimate sports must combine to defend themselves both by argument and by a bold political front, for in such a contest union is strength. It is a truism that the recreations of a nation are the making of its manhood, and no statesman worthy of the name would fail to foster racing as one of them. Not only is it a healthy outdoor relaxation, but it is the centre of a large industry, employing about 5000 of our fellow citizens; it is a source of considerable revenue directly in taxation, and indirectly through the railways; the export of horses to Australia and India for racing and for military use is a colonial asset; and above all, if our defence scheme is to be duly organised the blood of the thoroughbred must supply the essential endurance to our cavalry remounts. In combating the opponents of racing we are challenging the most

also March 22 and 24; Kumara, March 24; Westland, March 26; Reefton, April 2; South Canterbury Jockey Club, April 16 and 17 in lieu of April 9 and 10; the objection of the Napier Club to Masterton Club racing on March 13 and 14 to be sustained, and Masterton to be granted April 24 and 25. The committee's report as above was referred back, as it had been compiled before the announcement was made that the Rangitikei Club was to get two days' racing this year.

The committee recommended the registration of the Otago Hunt Club, but declined the application of the Portrose Hack Racing Club.

The question of the appointment of stipendiary stewards was again before the conference. The matter was introduced by the Taranaki delegates, who submitted the following proposition:—"At each annual conference a committee, to be called 'the Stipendiary Stewards' Committee,' shall be elected, with power to select and appoint not less than two persons to act as stipendiary stewards at race meetings, on such terms, with such powers, and subject to such conditions as the committee may prescribe. The committee shall consist of five persons, who shall select a chairman, and may delegate to him all or any of the powers of the committee other than the power of appointing stipendiary stewards and the power of making, rescinding, or varying the by-laws and regulations (hereby conferred on the committee), and the chair-

surplus contributions for the payment of stewards. The conference, however, adopted the motion with amendments limiting the club contributions to 1/8 per cent., and increasing the committee to six, not including the president, who shall be ex officio a member and chairman. It is considered that from three to six months will be required to get the scheme working.

Mr Perrett (Wanganui) alluded to the announcement of the Government that the Rangitikei Club was to get two days racing this year, one day to be taken from Marton and one from some metropolitan club. He was authorised by the Rangitikei Club to apply for the dates. It formerly held on the 1st and 2nd January. It was explained that the report had been compiled before the announcement in question was made.

The report was adopted, and the president was authorised, with or without the assistance of the Dates Committee, to adjust and settle a list of dates so far as alterations might be rendered necessary through any determination of the Minister of Internal Affairs, the president always having regard for a resolution passed last year affirming the right of clubs which lost their permits to their original dates where they were reinstated as in the case of Rangitikei.

After hearing an objection by the Canterbury Jockey Club to the dates applied for by the Wellington Racing Club for its spring meeting—viz.,



DELEGATES AT THE RECENT TROTting CONFERENCE HELD IN WELLINGTON.

unpatriotic and short-sighted of our fellow citizens, and playing no ignoble part in the service of a United British Empire.

Sir George Clifford further said he felt it his duty to enter a respectful protest at the way in which successive Governments had ignored the conference when dealing with matters of the greatest moment to those whose interests the conference was appointed to guard. Before decisions in the readjustment of racing days and permits were come to, it would have been but courteous to formally or informally ascertain the views of the conference in the matter.

The matter of the removal of S. Darragh's disqualification was referred to the president.

The conference has a credit balance of £817. The accident fund has a credit of £12,890.

The committee recommended that the dates of racing meetings be approved, subject to the following exceptions and amendments:—Dannevirke Club to be allowed September 11; Avondale September 25 and 28; Marlborough to be allowed to change from October 16 and 17 to November 20 and 21; Masterton to be allowed October 17; South Canterbury to be allowed to change from October 21 and 22 to November 20 and 21; Auckland to be allowed November 8 and 9; Taratahi-Carterton, December 26; North Otago, January 2 and 3; Takapuna, January 29 and February 1; Te Kuiti, February 6; Canterbury, February 6 and 8; Rotorua, February 12; Gisborne, February 13 and 14; Tologa Bay, February 22; Auckland,

man may exercise such delegated powers as if they were hereby conferred on the chairman in the same manner as they are conferred on the committee. In the event of no stipendiary steward being able to attend any race meeting, a substitute stipendiary steward may be appointed by the committee or its chairman to act at such race meeting, and in respect of such race meeting shall be deemed for all purposes a stipendiary steward. The committee shall determine the remuneration to be paid to stipendiary stewards for their services and the amount required for the purpose. And in order to carry this rule into effect it shall be provided by the totalisator clubs in proportion to the gross amounts received by them respectively by way of investments on the totalisator during the preceding year. With regard so far as the committee may find expedient to any change in the number of days on which the totalisator is used by any club in the current year, the amount payable by each club shall be fixed by the committee, and be paid to the secretary of the conference, who shall apply it as the chairman may from time to time direct. After several members had spoken in support of the motion, the chairman pointed out that the cost might run to £4000 per annum, and he doubted the value of the stewards at any one meeting. A levy of 1/8 per cent. on the clubs' receipts would produce £3000. He suggested as an alternative limiting the jockey's provident fund to £10,000, and using the

26th and 28th October—the Permits and Dates Committee recommended that the Wellington Club race on the 23rd and 26th October, thus leaving a week between the two meetings. Mr Abbott (Wellington) made an appeal for consideration of the application made by the Wellington Club for permission to race on the 26th and 28th October, instead of the 23rd and 26th October, as recommended by the committee. He said that if the Wellington Club was given Labour Day it would convert a non-paying meeting into the second best of the club. Mr Abbott's amendment was carried by 21 votes to 4.

It was decided that the interpretation "metropolitan committees" be altered to "district committee," and that five delegates (instead of two) be elected by totalisator clubs in the metropolitan district.

Rule 3 of Part VI (providing that no club shall give less in stakes than the net amount derived by it from the use of the totalisator during the previous year) was amended by adding a proviso that the rule shall not apply in the case of a diminution in the number of days on which the totalisator is used by the club.

Rule 7 of the same part was amended to provide that clubs shall undertake "not to permit any person to carry on the business of a bookmaker." Previously the prohibition had applied to "any unlicensed person."

Rule 8, Part XXIV, was struck out, and was substituted by: "The clerk of the scales before passing a jockey's weight as correct shall satisfy him-



self that it does not exceed his correct weight by more than 2lb in a flat race or 4lb in a hurdle race or steeplechase."

Rule 2, Part XXVI, was altered to provide that a horse may be disqualified and the jockey punished if the horse crosses another unless two lengths ahead, or jostles another horse, unless it is proved that the jostle was wholly caused by the fault of some other jockey or that the jostled horse or his jockey was partly in fault.

Rule 7, Part XXXI, was amended to provide that there shall be no appeal from the finding of stewards on the following matters:—(a) Short weight, (b) a cross or jostle, (c) a start in front of the post or on the wrong course or before the appointed time, (d) an obvious pull.

Rule 1, Part XXXV, was amended to give power to trustees to invest moneys at interest on such terms and for such periods as they may think fit.

The Canterbury (South) country clubs brought forward the following

# INTERPROVINCIAL.

## WELLINGTON.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

WELLINGTON, Monday. The local owner who races as H. Whitney has decided to again change his trainer, and his horses, who for some months past have been trained by C. Pritchard, are to be trained by J. Scott, who will act as his private trainer. Mr. Whitney has a stud farm at Waikanae and his horses Mediterranean, Ceylon, Odessa, Mt. Victoria, and Aema will be trained there for the future.

T. Pritchard was present at Trentham and was able to walk about with the aid of crutches. All well-wishers of this popular rider are looking forward to his return to the pigskin, but the time seems far off as "Tom" has had a gruelling time,

A. Jackson brought John to Wellington, but owing to the heavy state of the tracks the gelding was not produced at the W.R.C. meeting. He is, however, a sure starter at Riccarton.

Te Rover was not suited by the heavy going at Trentham and finished well back in the Parliamentary Handicap, which was his solitary appearance at the meeting. The son of Advance and Polly Perkins is, however, very fit, and he can be relied upon to put up a big fight in his Grand National Hurdle contest.

The decision of the Racing Conference to appoint stipendiary stewards was a theme of admiration amongst sportsmen attending the W.R.C. meeting. If these gentlemen had been an established fact the writer is of opinion that the result of a couple of races at Trentham on

W. Ryan, W. Young, F. Douglas, H. McSweeney, W. Price, T. Jones, and P. Brady.

Five boxes were engaged at Riccarton for the Hon. J. D. Ormond, but these have since been cancelled, and it is reported that the Karamu sportsman will not be represented at the meeting. However, Bollin has accepted for the Grand National Hurdles.

F. Carmont, the Levin owner, complains bitterly of the manner in which he was treated by the railway authorities in bringing Parewanui to Trentham. The gelding was loaded at Levin at 9 a.m., was kept waiting for one hour at Paikakariki, and three hours at Wellington eventually reaching Trentham at 9 p.m., thus taking 12 hours to cover a train journey of 60 miles. Surely the authorities should consider owners of blood stock and arrange for quicker transit than prevails at present.

## WEST COAST.

(From our own Correspondent.)

WANGANUI, Monday.

Readers of these notes must have been prepared to hear of the victories gained by Kilrain at Trentham, as the Kilcheran colt was reported to be in splendid fettle and to have put up some good gallops last week. The dividend paid by the colt on the opening day was surprisingly large considering how well the youngster had shaped at Otaki, when the going was as heavy as it was at Trentham. Fred Tilley ought to win some good races with this colt next season.

Antarctic was not much fancied here for the Wellington Steeplechase in consequence of reports from Trentham that the Salvadan gelding had pulled up very lame after a go over the schooling fences on the Monday. He was very groggy again after Wednesday's race, and it remains to be seen whether he will be fit to start at Riccarton. Providing he can keep going he should be a much improved gelding by the time the Grand National is decided to what he is now.

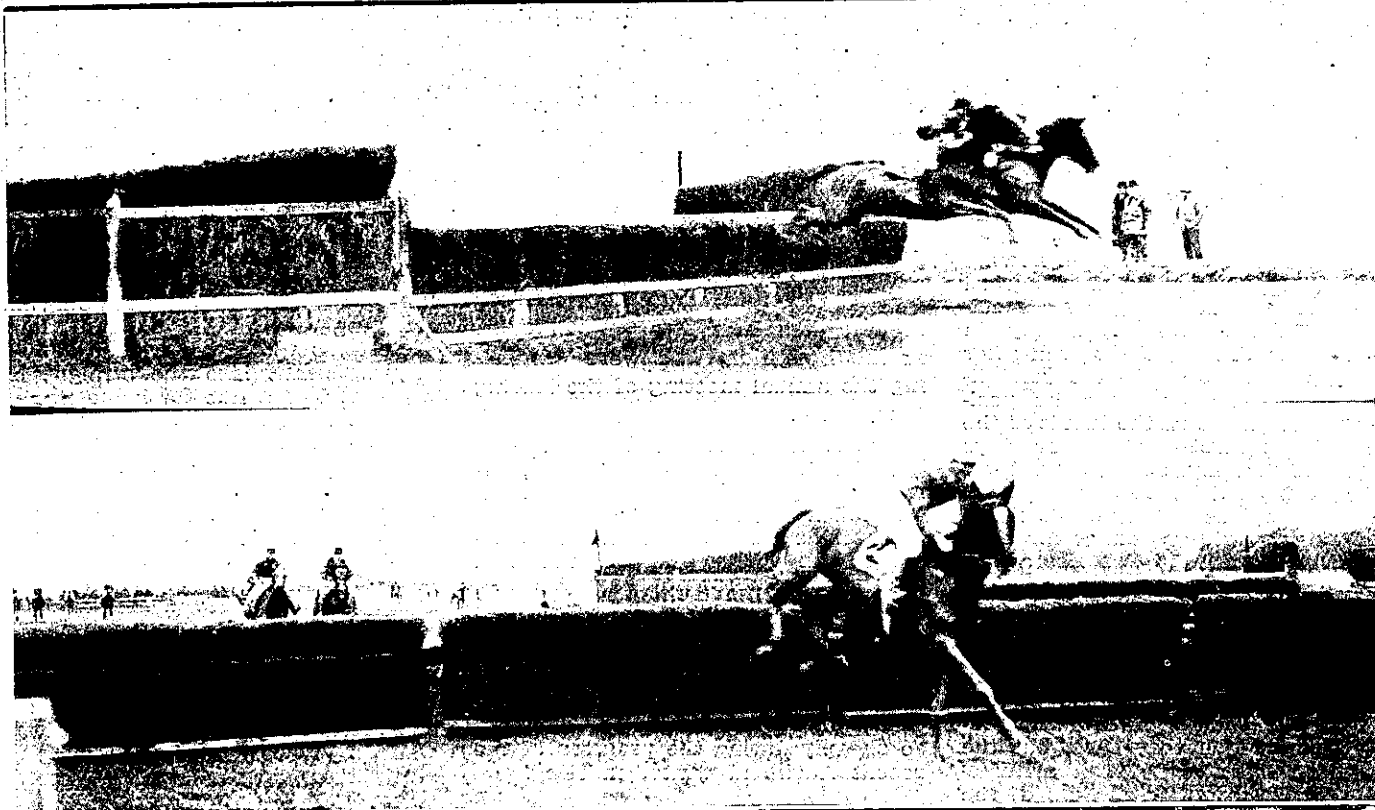
Goodwin Park carried a lot of Wanganui money in the Winter Hurdles, but failed to run into a place. It may be that the going was against him.

I learn that there is every probability of Mr E. J. Watt sending a fairly strong team to Sydney at an early date, including Royal Scotch, Midnight Sun, and Ventura, all well-known performers, also Jason (a two-year-old colt by Achilles), who is engaged in the Breeders' Stakes. This latter colt is said to be shaping in very promising style, and hopes are entertained that he will turn out to be a top-notch.

There are quite a number of horses being got ready for the Egmont-Wanganui Hunt Club meeting, nominations for which close on the 10th August. It is pleasing to know that there is some prospect of the leading Hunt Clubs being granted tote permits in the near future. These clubs do a lot towards producing the best stamp of horses, and therefore are well worthy of encouragement. It is satisfactory to know that there is every indication of the forthcoming meeting here being a very successful one.

The decision of the Minister of Internal Affairs to restore a two-days' race meeting to the Rangitikei Club is one which will meet with the approval of the great bulk of race-goers on this coast. It was generally considered that the club was harshly dealt with in being deprived of both its meetings, seeing that the club had been in existence for 55 years. The members certainly had a good case for protest, and it is satisfactory to know that persistent efforts of prominent members have received their just reward. They are to be congratulated on being allowed two days' racing.

It is to be regretted that the granting of the two days' racing to Rangitikei, means depriving the Marton Club of one day's racing, but it could not well have been otherwise. The



AT THE WATER JUMP IN THE WELLINGTON STEEPLCHASE.—HAUTERE ON NEAR SIDE OF PICTURE.

TAIAHA at the double brush in the Hack and Hunters' Steeplechase.

remit:—"That the conference consider the necessity of taking the requisite steps to alter the incidence of taxation so that the tax be payable on the net profits of meetings only, instead of as at present on the gross turnover of the totalisator, gate receipts, etc." Mr. G. Hunter said he thought they should not approach Parliament. It was a new Parliament, and they did not know what attitude it would take up in regard to the totalisator. They were getting on very well at present. Mr W. E. Bidwell said that unless they ventilated their grievances they would never get them rectified. They should point out to the Government the injustice of the present tax.—The motion was amended to read—"That the conference make representations to the Government with reference to the unjust system of taxation, so that the tax be payable on the net profits of a meeting only instead of as at present on the gross turnover of totalisator, gate receipts, etc." In this form the motion was carried.

Mr. G. Hunter moved—"That it be a permanent instruction to the Dates Committee not to allot the Saturday before Easter Sunday as the day of any race meeting."—This was carried by 25 votes to 12.

The following were elected to the Dates Committee:—Messrs. J. W. Abbott, E. W. Alison, E. Goodbehere, J. McKay, and P. Miller.

Sir George Clifford was re-elected president.

The president was authorised to make a special levy during the year for the benefit of the Sports Protection League.

Devastation and Monorail are a pair of rising three-year-olds wintering well at Ellerslie. Devastation in particular is growing into a fine colt and he should do well early next season. He is not engaged in the Avondale Guineas.

and some time must elapse ere he is well enough to ride.

J. George, the veteran New Plymouth owner-trainer, leaves for Lyttelton to-day with Paritutu, Crown Pearl, and Royal Arms. In a conversation, Mr. George stated that Paratutu was in capital form and he quite expected the old fellow to emulate his last year's performance in next month's big Riccarton event.

Saturday would have been entirely different. To the credit of the stewards they took action in one case, but in another as equally as flagrant no inquiry was held.

Sid Reid, Joe O'Connell, and H. Patten, with two wins each to their credit, were the most successful horsemen at the recent W.R.C. meeting. Other riders to score on one occasion each were: W. J. Porter,



Mr. J. H. Prosser's TORBELLE (W. Porter) returning to scale after winning the First Hack and Hunters' Steeplechase (2½ miles) at the Wellington Racing Club's Winter Meeting.

Master Paul contested both of the principal steeplechases at Wellington, but in each instance he failed to complete the course.

Uranium was never in the fighting line in the Winter Hurdles at Wellington, but going would be all against the daughter of Leolantis, who gallops close to the ground. She may do better at Riccarton.

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Marton Club has gone in for a very progressive policy lately, and bids fair to become one of the most popular racing institutions on the coast. In all likelihood the spring meeting will be limited to one day in the future, though it remains to be seen what dates the Rangitikei Club will race on.

### CANTERBURY.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

CHRISTCHURCH, Monday.

Mr H. H. Kidd has decided to relinquish his position as secretary of the Winton Jockey Club. Mr Kidd has occupied the position for the past nine years, and during that period has materially assisted the building up of the club's position.

Twenty-one horses from the North have been booked for accommodation at Jones', Riccarton, for the Nationals and the contingents from all parts lead to the conclusion that we should have an exceptionally interesting meeting.

P. Gibbons, an English jockey who has just concluded an engagement in South Africa, arrived in Christchurch recently, and was a visitor to Riccarton. He has had about ten years' experience, and as he is able to ride at 7st 5lb he should not lack opportunities next season. He has applied to the Canterbury Jockey Club for a jockey's license.

The Riccarton tracks are in a very bad state at present, as a result of the recent rain. The outside of the course proper was open for fast work last week, but even there the going was far from satisfactory.

The North Island horseman, T. Pritchard, who had a leg broken while riding over hurdles a few months ago, has so far recovered as to be able to get about on crutches. He expects to be in the saddle again at the Grand National Meeting.

Danube's three-year-old half-brother St. Petersburg is under offer to a Southland owner, and if the purchase is completed the horse will probably take up stud duties in the spring.

Miscout has been in some favour for the Winter Cup last week, but it is reported from Wellington that he will be an unlikely starter.

Supporters of the Riccarton-trained horse, Master Paul, gave him a good chance in the Wellington Steeplechase, but his fall at the first fence was a sad disappointment. Those who had watched him in his schooling tasks were prepared to find him well qualified to complete the course without a mistake.

Antarctic, on his showing in the Wellington Steeplechase, may still have to be reckoned with in the Grand National Steeplechase for which the course is a quarter of a mile longer than that at Trentham.

### HAWKE'S BAY.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

NAPIER, Monday.

Mr A. G. Wood, the well-known starter who had been in seclusion in the Hospital for the last fortnight suffering from gastric poisoning, has got past the mending corner, and at the end of last week was able to leave the institution.

Captain Jingle, who asserted himself in the Wellington and July Steeplechases at Trentham last week, was bred by Mr H. Gaisford of Oringi. At one time he was the property of W. Kirk, the Hastings trainer-jockey, who had him under his care about four years ago, but as he was of the opinion that he was troubled in his breathing department, he sold him to a resident of Mohaka, who, after giving him a go at the annual venture of the Wairoa County Racing Club, passed him on to Mr A. E. Grenside, who at the time was proprietor of the Mohaka Hotel. This gentleman when he left the district to assume control of the Te Aute Hotel took Captain Jingle with him, and a couple of years back he won his first race for Mr Grenside. This was at the annual meeting of the Takapuna Racing Club, when he secured the Takapau and Oruawharo Handicaps. A week later on he annexed the Epsom Handicap at the summer meeting of the Hawke's Bay Jockey Club, and on the following Easter Monday he triumphed in the Hack Handicap at the annual fixture of the Waipukurau Jockey Club. Shortly after capturing this event he was sold to his present

owner, Mr J. Hennah, and for this follower of the game he won the Waiohiki Hack Hurdles. Last season he got the award in the Beaufort Steeplechase, and he has been flashing in the great white way this season, for out of four attempts he has, saluted the man in the box a winner on three occasions, his other effort proving a miss, this was when he went around the double in front of the stand in the Gisborne Steeplechase in the early part of the present month.

Perceles's people thought that he was sure to catch a race at Wellington, and accordingly the gelding was entrusted with a lot of bright red gold owned in these parts.

Mr E. J. Watts is sending a team to Sydney next month. The battalion, who will be under the guidance of T. Quinlivan, jun., will consist of Midnight Sun, Royal Scotch, Jason, Theodore, and Kildonan.

Blackguard, the two-year-old half-brother by Royal Fusilier to Bobrikoff, is one of the regulars in evidence at the work out at Napier Park. So far he has not been asked to exert himself to any strenuous extent, but on looks he ought to be able to do anything.

Hawke's Bay horses were well to the fore at the just concluded gathering of the Wellington Racing Club, for the dividend producers, Mount Victoria, Torbelle, Captain Jingle, Peary, and Diavolo, all first saw the light in this district.

A special meeting of the Napier Park Racing Club was held in the Masonic Hotel this morning, Mr J. C. McVay presiding. The following amendments to the rules were agreed to:—"That the annual general meeting be held on the last Friday in August of each year, or as soon after as may be determined by the Committee; that nominations for the positions of officers be in the hands of the secretary at least twenty-one days before the meeting, such nominations to be forwarded to all members at least fourteen days before the meeting." A new rule governing the election of the committee was also adopted.

The Dannevirke Racing Club contemplate making a number of improvements to their course and buildings in the near future. Previously they have been handicapped by the insecurity of their tenure to the property upon which they race, but the committee have made such arrangements with the native owners of the land that will allow them to proceed with the desired betterment of the appointments.

### C.J.C. GRAND NATIONAL MEETING.

The following are the acceptances for the principal events of the C.J.C. Grand National meeting:—

#### GRAND NATIONAL STEEPLCHASE

of 1400sovs. Three miles and a-half.			
	st lb		st lb
Continuance	12 3	Armagh	10 8
Antarctic	12 2	Glenmore	10 2
Hautere	11 9	Master Paul	10 0
Capt. Jingle	(inc. 14lb pen.)	Tyrannic	9 12
	11 7	Silver Blaze	9 9
Blk Northern	11 3	Tui Cakobau	9 7
Sir Lethe	11 2	Zante	9 7
Paritutu	11 2	The Gunner	9 7
Compass	10 9	Flamingo	9 7
Hawick	10 9	Te Tua	9 7
		The Spaniard	9 7

#### GRAND NATIONAL HURDLE RACE

of 1000sovs. About two miles.			
	st lb		st lb
Continuance	12 7	Mstr. Theory	9 12
Blk Northern	12 3	Silver Cluse	9 12
Paisano	11 11	Uranum	9 9
The Rover	10 13	Flfish	9 9
Koran	10 13	Coroneted	9 9
The Native	10 13	Leolanter	9 7
John	10 3	Waikaraka	9 7
Bollin	10 3	Waipureka	9 7
Flingot	10 2	Sandy Paul	9 6
Darby Paul	(inc. 7lb pen.)	Waterworks	9 0
	10 2	Jack Ashore	9 0
White Cockade	(inc. 14lb pen.)	Nescot	9 0
	10 0	Mercedo	9 0
Bully	9 13	Te Roti	9 0
		Bandaliero	9 0

#### WINTER CUP of 600sovs. One mile.

	st lb		st lb
Salute	10 9	Mt. Victoria	(inc. 7lb pen.)
Sea Queen	10 9		9 7
Sea King	10 4	Mumura	9 5
My Lawyer	9 13	Genius	9 5
Stepmeter	9 13	Smilax	9 5
La Reina	9 13	Ladron	9 5
Irish Rifle	9 13	Martine	9 4
Odessa	9 13	Leapuki	9 3
Mangaroa	9 13	Probable	9 0
Mira	9 13	Magdala	9 0
Royal Arms	9 11	Grand Slam	9 0
Prosper	9 11	Crosbie	9 0
Countermine	9 10	Serenity	9 0
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A cold is quite a paradox,  
Because it makes you hot;  
It makes your nose red as a rose,  
And head boil like a pot.  
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# RACING REVIEWED.

## WELLINGTON RACING CLUB.

WINTER MEETING.

FIRST DAY.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

WELLINGTON, July 22.

Weather conditions were decidedly unfavourable for the opening day of the Wellington Racing Club's winter meeting that was ushered in at Trentham on Wednesday last. Rain fell heavily in the city in the morning, but the conditions were not quite so bad at the course as prevailed in the city and this affected the attendance in a marked degree. There was a very representative crowd of leading sportsmen from all parts of the Dominion in attendance, amongst those promenading the lawn being noticed the Hon. J. D. Ormond, Sir J. Carroll, Sir G. Clifford, Messrs G. P. Donnelly, J. R. McDonald and Racing Secretaries A. Hathaway (Master-ton), J. Glen (Nelson), H. H. Hayr (Avondale), R. Wynyard (Takapuna), A. Way (Marton), and a large number of delegates from the various clubs in the Dominion, who were attending the annual meeting of the Racing Conference.

The racing provided was distinctly good and the fact of only one favourite winning during the afternoon betokened a bad time for backers. Captain Jingle's success in the Steeplechase was very popularly received, cheers being accorded the horse and rider (Joe O'Connell) on returning to scale. Coroneted had a runaway victory in the Parliamentary Handicap and the Rangitikei owner, Mr J. McKelvie, must consider himself fortunate in having bought the chestnut so cheaply during the progress of the recent Auckland winter meeting.

Mr C. O'Connor, who was assisted by Mr A. Vincent, was in good form at the barrier, the send-offs being timed capitally and one heard nothing but praise for this important part of the business.

As usual the secretary, Mr A. E. Whyte, had all the details in capital working order everything passing off without a hitch.

The stewards had thoughtfully laid and strewn about a large amount of straw which helped somewhat to minimise the discomfort of walking about on wet ground. The racecourse proper, with a week's drenching rain, was very heavy indeed and the times put up in the several events were consequently very slow. A number of spills occurred in the jumping events but happily they were not attended with any serious results.

The sum of £12,883 found its way through the totalisator during the afternoon compared with £16,696 that was handled on the corresponding day at last year's meeting, which, however, was a fine Saturday, thus disclosing a shrinkage of £3813 on the day's total for the 1911 winter meeting.

For the the initial event, the Stewards' Handicap of six furlongs, the big field of fourteen runners lined up at the post. From an excellent start Deploy was the first to get going and, galloping very kindly, led from Mount Victoria, Curator, and Irish Rifle. The filly was first into the straight but when well in a line for home S. Reid brought Mount Victoria along with a run, eventually winning very easily by four lengths from Shuja who, coming fast over the last portion, beat the tiring Deploy by three parts of a length. Kilosteri was fourth, with Sublime, Curator, and Beacon close up with La Reina, who was slow in getting off the mark, a bad last.

Taiaha, fresh from his Gisborne successes, was a hot favourite for the first Hack and Hunters' Steeplechase, whilst Armagh was also well supported. The favourite was always well up in the lead but entering the straight on the final run the chestnut



MR. W. R. TUCK, the popular Wanganui sportsman and owner of Antarctic. J. Stewart, who rode Antarctic in the Wellington Steeplechase.

was challenged by the light-weighted Torbelle who, coming away over the last obstacle, won very comfortably by six lengths from the favourite with Armagh thirteen lengths further back third. None of the other eleven runners took the last jump and all things considered the 'chasers seen out were a miserable lot and one wonders whether it pays owners to keep such a type in training.

The Trial Plate of six furlongs was voted a good thing for the Hon. J. D. Ormond's Peary (Birkenhead—Norseman) and as events turned out backers' opinions were correct, for the bearer of the all cerise. The

latter, however, continued on and completed the course, jumping every obstacle en route. Passing the stands on the first round Captain Jingle led from Zante, Sir Lethe and Glenmore, and the two first-named led out of the straight. Flamingo fell at the saplings, and Zante headed Captain Jingle going up the back, whilst Compass was moving up. The latter, however, when going well, fell at the post and rails, whilst Glenmore was pulled up beaten after clearing the sod wall. Zante was still at the head of affairs passing the stands on the second round, with Captain Jingle as his nearest attendant, and Antactic improving his position. Six furlongs

could be seen threading their way through, with Brown Trout coming fast. Salute was first into the straight, but at this point W. Young called on Coronette, and from this out the race was a procession, the chestnut winning very easily by three lengths from Brown Trout, who had to be hard ridden to beat Salute by a couple of lengths. Sir Tristram was close up fourth, Sea Queen fifth, with San Pluis, and Loch Mabin next, whilst the last to finish were Mira, Countermine, The Rover, Undecided, and Julian. The winner returned his 113 ticket holders a substantial two-figure dividend.

Goodwin Park, with C. Price in the saddle, was voted the best in the Winter Hurdles of two miles, but as events turned out their confidence was misplaced, as the gelding never appeared dangerous. White Cockade, who was one of the outsiders of the field, was practically in front throughout and never being seriously troubled won very easily by three lengths from Sandy Faul, who, coming very fast over the last portion, beat Bolin by a head for second place. Master Theory was fourth, The Native fifth, Gaelic sixth, with the other horses spread out over a considerable distance.

The day's racing was brought to a conclusion with the running of the Te Aro Handicap of six furlongs, for which Ceylon was stoutly supported, with Diavolo and Kilrain well up in the figures. Outward was the first to begin, followed by Perceler and Taketuma. The two former came into the straight together, with Kilrain coming fast on the rails, and, finishing very game'y, he won easily by three lengths from Diavolo, who beat Outward by a length. Perceler was fourth, whilst the next two to finish close up were Strategist and Manupai.

#### SECOND DAY.

The meeting was brought to a conclusion on Saturday last in fine weather. There was a very satisfactory attendance, amongst those present being their Excellencies Lord and Lady Islington and suite, General Godley and a large number of prominent sportsmen.

The racing provided plenty of stirring incidents and the fact of four horses (Mount Victoria, Torbelle, Kilrain, and Captain Jingle) who won on Wednesday again winning put backers on good terms with themselves. The horses named won as they liked and it would have certainly required a lot of weight to have stopped them from winning on Saturday. Captain Jingle won the July Steeplechase very easily, whilst a like remark applies to Shuja who scored very decisively in the Winter Oats. The minor events were all well contested and some good finishes were witnessed.

Mr J. H. Pollock, the clubs handicapper, came in for some praise for his excellent adjustments, the general opinion being that the veteran had put forth his best efforts on behalf of the club.

The stewards were called together during the afternoon to consider the

riding of Sid Reid on Ceylon in the Crofton Handicap. Reid's explanation was that his mount hung out and when he applied the whip the filly ran out and thus covered a lot of unnecessary ground. The officials considered the explanation satisfactory, no action being considered necessary.

Messrs O'Connor and Vincent were again in good form, their starting being a feature of the afternoon's racing. The totalisator staff was kept busy £21,698 being handled against £20,577 dealt with on the corresponding day's meeting last year, which was, however, held on a Wednesday, making an aggregate for the meeting of £34,581, compared with £37,273 for last year's showing, a decrease for the present meeting of £2692. It will be remembered the club held a three day's meeting last year compared with two on the present occasion.

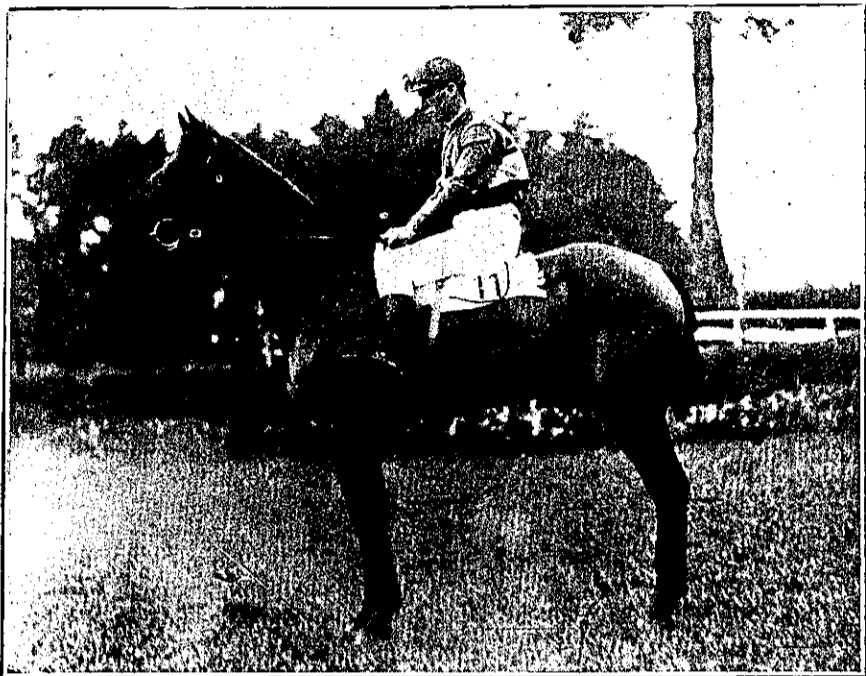
Deploy was the only withdrawal from the Onslow Handicap with which racing was resumed. From a good send-off Mount Victoria, Longstep, and Purakau rushed to the front whilst the favourite, Crown Pearl, was slow to find his feet. Entering the straight, however, the latter got up level with Mount Victoria and, in a ding dong finish to the judge's box, the latter won by a bare head, Beacon was three lengths away third, whilst Parewanui was fourth, Outward fifth and the others tailed off. For once Longstep got away with her field but she soon faded out of the contest and finished well back in the ruck.

Taiaha was made the medium of a big plunge in the Second Hack and Hunters' Steeplechase of two miles and a half, but the Auckland had again to play second fiddle to Torbelle, who conquered over the chestnut on Wednesday. These two horses practically had the race to themselves throughout, Torbelle taking the lead three furlongs from home and winning very easily by fifteen lengths from Taiaha, with St. Amelia a similar distance away third. Nedra was fourth. Gold Bird ran off at the first obstacle and The Chief, Pukeroa, Retainer and Soman were pulled up beaten.

Kilrain was in front throughout in the Crofton Handicap of seven furlongs, winning easily by three lengths from Ngatimuru with Ceylon, who came fast over the last few yards, a length away third. The next to finish in the order named were Strategist, Manupai, with Blend a bad last. The winner is owned by Mr E. Short, of Feilding, and should prove very useful next season. He is trained by F. Tilley, at Fordell.

The July Steeplechase of two miles and a-half saw seven 'chasers competing, of which number Compass was the actual favourite, whilst Captain Jingle ran him very close. Zante and Master Paul were also stoutly supported. The latter led at the start, and passing the stands on the first round was showing the way to Hautere and Captain Jingle. The Southerner, however, ran off at the saplings, leaving Hautere in front. Captain Jingle led over the stone wall, followed by Hautere and Compass, whilst Whakaweira was coming fast. The latter led over the brush, but ran off coming on to the course proper. Captain Jingle was in front as they passed the stands for the last time, with Zante in hot pursuit. Going round the back the latter began to tire and Compass went on into second place, with Hautere plodding along well. Captain Jingle was first over the hencoop, and, running on, won by ten lengths from Compass, with Hautere twenty lengths away third. The latter came a cropper at the hencoop and turned a complete somersault. J. Deerey, who was luckily unhurt, remounted and finished in third position.

Brown Trout was accorded most support in the Winter Oats Handicap of one mile, but the bay horse was unequal to the occasion and finished well behind the placed division. Shuja and Sea King were always in a good position, whilst Sir Tristram, who is a veritable mud lark, was well suited to the heavy going, and was always well placed. W. Price, on Shuja, slipped his mount up on to the rails entering the straight, and the Messrs R. J. and H. D. Matthews' colt answering well to his rider's demands and galloping kindly won nicely by two lengths and a-half from Sir Tristram, who finished well out in the middle of the course. Sea King was close up third, Waipunui fourth, Sir Knox fifth, Kilosteri sixth, with the others well beaten off. Odessa, one of the backed division for the



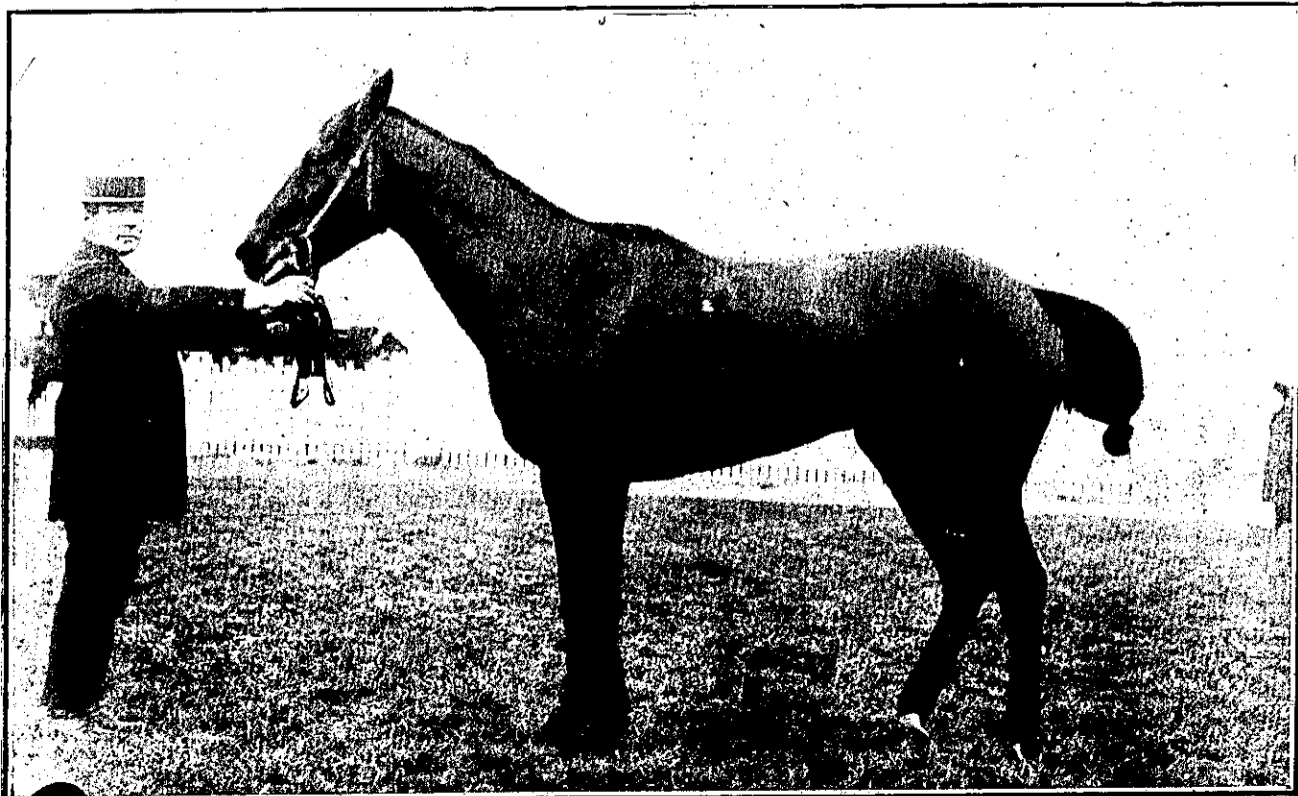
Mr. J. Casserley's br g DARBY PAUL, aged, by St. Paul—Mainboom, winner of the Final Hurdles (1¾ miles) at the Wellington Racing Club's Winter Meeting. Tim Jones in the saddle.

favourite was the first to show out, but after traversing a couple of furlongs Kew assumed command and led into the straight from Peary and Neirene. When well in the running Peary came again and, holding his own in the run to the post, won by a length and a half from Kew with Simila, for whom Mr J. Ames gave £9 at Wanganui, three lengths away, third. Grandee was some further distance away fourth with the others somewhat spread out.

Continuance, Black Northern, Paritutu and Lugeon, who was not brought to the meeting, were withdrawn from the Wellington Steeplechase, leaving a useful field of ten horses to compete for the £600 stake. On looks, Hautere stood out on his own, whilst Compass, Captain Jingle, Glenmore, and Zante all bore a well trained appearance. Hautere was the actual favourite, but Compass, Captain Jingle and Glenmore had hosts of admirers on the totalisator. Mr. O'Connor sent the field on their errand in a good line, Whakaweira and Master Paul being the first to find their feet, but their backers troubles were soon over, for the pair fell at the first obstacle. The

from home Hautere was pulled up beaten, whilst Captain Jingle and Zante were running together, with Antarctic coming very fast. Captain Jingle was first over the last jump, and, coming away, won very easily by eight lengths from Antarctic, who, answering gamely to his rider's demands, succeeded in beating the tiring Zante, who was paying a big dividend, by half a length. None of the other horses finished. Hautere and Compass' form was very disappointing and a like remark applies to Glenmore. The trio, however, may see a better day, as they all appear very fit and the heavy state of the track may have been the cause of their downfall.

Sir Knox, Mulga Bill, La Reina, John, Royal Arms, and Uhlando were withdrawn from the Parliamentary Handicap, leaving thirteen horses in. The Rover was a good favourite, whilst Mira, Sir Tristram, and Salute were also well supported. Sea Queen, Mira and Salute were the first to break the line in a capital send-off. The order was the same at the six furlong post, where Salute, closely followed by Loch Mabin and Coronette, appeared at the head of affairs, whilst Sir Tristram and Sea Queen



Mr. J. Westerman's br g WHITE COCKADE, aged, by Finland—Miss Lochiel, winner of the Winter Hurdles at the Wellington Racing Club's Winter Meeting.



# BOXING.

The Wanganui representatives at the New Zealand championship tourney all acquitted themselves well, though they failed to land a championship. Hogan boxed in good style on the opening night in the welter class, but though he won his bout he was unable to compete again owing to breaking his hand. Bond put up a good display in the lightweight division, but was not clever enough to lands the goods. L. Caldwell, the heavyweight, performed splendidly, and gives every promise of developing into a champion. He lacked experience, as was pointed out in these columns before the tourney, and to this fact alone was his defeat in the final by Fitzsimmons due. He made a very favourable impression, his pluck, coolness, and ability to hit being much admired. He is only a youth, and with his splendid physique must go very near the top next season if he has any tuition in the meanwhile.

Abe Attell, ex-featherweight champion of the world, who, early this year suffered defeats at the hands of Johnny Kilbane and Tommy Murphy, is to meet the latter boxer at San Francisco on August 3.

Matters in the fistic world in America have quietened down considerably since the Johnson-Flynn fiasco. Jim Flynn has gone on to New York to seek matches with Al. Palzer, Carl Morris, Luther McCarthy, and any other "white hopes" who may be itching for trouble. Jack Johnson has now made the announcement that he would like to meet Joe Jeanette in New York, but it is clear that it is not a desire to meet the big coloured boxer so much as a desire to convince the Boxing Commission that they had no right to discriminate against him, and that he wants to appear in New York. The champion is willing to sign on any time before Labour Day.

An X-ray examination of Ad. Wolgast's left hand has revealed that it was broken in three places during his recent fight with Rivers for the lightweight championship of the world.

Carl Morris, back in the cab of his engine, has made boxing followers sit up (not to his boxing ability), by declaring that the glove game is brutal and the followers of it in New York a lot of thugs, all of which goes to show that Carl's knowledge of what he speaks is in strict keeping with his knowledge of the game in which he attempted to shine—very poor. Morris has demonstrated at least two things—that size is not the only essential for a successful boxer; also, that the millions of an oil king cannot make a locomotive engineer into a successor to James J. Jeffries.

Battling Nelson, ex-lightweight champion of the world, says fighting is the only fun he has. Two injured hands, a broken nose, battered face, a pair of cauliflower ears, a broken thumb, and two broken ribs are tributes of the furious "fun" the Battler enjoys.

Although 50 years old and "all in" so far as the roped arena is concerned, Bob Fitzsimmons keeps his arm in trim. "I'm growing old, but I'll never be too old to fight when a lady is insulted," said the former horseshoer in Chicago the other day, in commenting on the walloping he delivered to a young "masher" in a local hotel. The man was severely chastised by Fitz after he had made "goo-goo" eyes at Miss Myrtle Byrnes, the former fighter's vaudeville partner. Fitz dragged the man from the dining-room and administered a spanking when they got to the sidewalk.

Billy Papke, the middleweight champion, whose retirement from the ring has been announced on more than one occasion lately, would appear to have returned to his old-time form. For only a few weeks back he defeated the famous French boxer, Marcel Moreau, in Paris, in a battle for the lightweight championship of the world. The "Illinois Thunderbolt" thus retains the title of the class once made famous by such great performers as Dempsey, Fitzsimmons, Tommy Ryan, and in later days—Stanley Ketchel. Should Papke, however, be matched against the French champion, Georges Carpen-

tier, who, though only 20 years of age, has already won £20,000 in stakes since taking up boxing as a profession, there will probably be a new middleweight champion, for the American boxer is known to be anything but a consistent performer in the roped arena.

It is hardly likely that Billy Papke will ever reproduce the great form he displayed in his memorable battles with the late Stanley Ketchel. Since the last-named star passed away, however, not a man has come to the front who furnished evidence of sufficient ability to win and wear the mantle fallen from the shoulders of the deceased pugilist. On the death of Ketchel the latter's ancient rival, Papke, at once claimed the title by virtue of having scored one

the Dominion. The contest is to take place in the Town Hall, Wellington, in the first week in August.

The New Zealand championship results point to Timaru being the home of boxing in New Zealand, for representatives from that town captured three championships. The 1912 amateur boxing champions of New Zealand are as follows:—Bantamweight, J. Gunn, Timaru; featherweight, G. Barr, Wairarapa; lightweight, M. McGrath, Timaru; welterweight, G. Watchorn, Manawatu; middle-weight, S. Monaghan, Ohakune; heavy-weight, R. Fitzsimmons, Timaru.

B. Payne, the Auckland bantamweight, met a more experienced boxer in T. Kutner, the clever Wellingtonian, the latter securing the decision after an interesting bout. Payne impressed the audience as a result of his aggressiveness, and with a little more experience is certain to turn out well at the game.



DR. ARNOLD W. IZARD,  
President of the Wellington Boxing Association.

victory over Stanley. True, Ketchel afterward defeated Papke decisively, but as the Illinois boxer was the only middleweight who succeeded in registering a black mark against Ketchel's name, the former's claim appeared to be fairly logical. But that trip to Australia resulted badly for Papke's hopes. Two defeats, one at the hands of Dave Smith, the other by Johnny Thompson, put a couple of nasty dents in the Papke record. He redeemed himself in a measure by whipping Smith in a return match, but as Smith is looked upon as a boxer of mediocre standing, Papke didn't gain much by his triumph.

According to an American authority the "400" of Louisville negroes entertained Massa Jack Johnson at a local undertaker's establishment. The coloured folk toasted the champion until long after midnight, whilst the coffins which had been displayed on the lower floor were moved out of the way. It is not on record whether the party held a moonlight dance in the local cemetery, or whether Jack was put in a shroud for the purpose of appearing in the role of Pepper's Ghost.

The Wellington Boxing Association have matched "Billy" Hannan, of Maitland (N.S.W.) and D. Murphy (N.Z.) for the welter championship of

even carry him through the first night successfully. His opponent was L. McGrath (Timaru), and he succeeded in knocking the Southerner down twice in the first round, but in the second round the Timaru man floored him with a heavy right cross, which ended in his taking the count. After Whalley's excellent showing against an opponent to whom he was conceding 12lb in weight, it seems a great pity that he did not take off 1½lb in weight, and compete in the featherweight class, in which he would assuredly have proved a hard nut to crack.

Auckland's representative in the welterweight division, M. Mitchell, was unlucky in meeting such a pastmaster as Geoffrey Watchorn, of Manawatu, who won the amateur championship for the third time, while in 1910, it will be remembered, Watchorn established his claim to the Australasian amateur welterweight championship at the carnival held in Auckland. The Manawatu boxer went very close to having his colours lowered by the Auckland, but it was evident that Watchorn was not up to his usual form. Mitchell brought into operation that right swing of his which won for him the Auckland championship, and Watchorn could do no better than equalise the honours of the bout. The referee, however, gave his decision in favour of Watchorn, a verdict which was by no means unanimous among the audience.

The Auckland heavyweight, J. Dwyer, was not expected to do anything sensational at the championship meeting, as he secured winning honours in the Northern province simply as the result of defeating a much smaller opponent. Dwyer, who is quite a young fellow, is far from an experienced boxer, and his one and only opponent at the championship gathering was the Wanganui lad, P. Caldwell, who easily gained the decision over his heavier rival. Caldwell repeatedly worried the Auckland by his clean hitting, and after sending him to the boards twice in the third round for seven and eight seconds respectively, the referee stopped the bout and declared Caldwell the winner.

N. Bond, the Wanganui lightweight, put up a plucky showing against the Wellingtonian, E. Stewart, who secured the verdict after a keenly-fought bout. Bond has a splendid guard, which has a puzzling effect upon his opponents, and though beaten by Stewart, he was nevertheless responsible for a convincing display.

A Wellington critic thus refers to the winner of the New Zealand amateur heavyweight championship:—Of the heavyweights who competed at the carnival R. Fitzsimmons has the most science, clever foot-work, a double left to the jaw, and a right follow on, but he leaves his point as open as the day. There will be a funeral some day if he doesn't learn to block a common or garden "hook" with something besides his jaw. In his bout with Caldwell he just earned the laurels. Had the Wanganui boy started mixing it earlier he would probably have reversed the decision. In Fitzsimmons, McQuarrie, Matthewson, and Caldwell, the Dominion possesses a good quartette of heavyweights, and, although Caldwell has a good bit to learn yet, any of the above four could be depended upon to give an Australian heavy a run for his money. Matthewson showed some very clean hitting, but his blows lacked sting. His blocking was also the best of the heavy brigade.

Among the events mentioned as likely to take place in Wellington during the season are the following:— "Denny" Murphy v. Billy Hannan for the welter championship; Hegarty v. Ellis, for the feather title; and a lightweight fight, Gault v. Porter, Cook, or Allan Maxwell. Should a return match be successfully arranged between Gault and Maxwell, an unusually good contest should be witnessed, as their recent encounter in Auckland was so even that the decision in favour of the Auckland came in for much criticism at the hands of boxing enthusiasts.

The work of erecting a roof over the boxing stadium at Rushcutter's Bay, Sydney, is now nearing completion, and everything points to the coming season being a highly successful one.

Had Gilchrist, the Auckland bantamweight, been a competitor at the New Zealand championships he would probably have secured the title, as his dangerous hooks would have played havoc with his opponents. Gilchrist was not well at the time of the Auckland championships, and consequently did not reproduce his true form. In addition to being a very clever exponent, Gilchrist is an aggressive boxer, who carries a heavy punch in either hand.

H. McKenzie, who represented Auckland, in the featherweight division at the Dominion championships, defeated A. Lane (Otago) on a foul the first night, and A. Jervois (Manawatu) the second evening. The Auckland was considered lucky in gaining the decision over Lane in the manner he did, as the Otago boy was one of the cleverest boxers seen at the tournament. After defeating Jervois, there appeared every likelihood of McKenzie bringing the championship back to Auckland with him, but an injury to his groin unfortunately prevented him from competing in the final.

J. Whalley, the young Auckland lightweight, made a very favourable impression upon the critics at the New Zealand boxing championships, but he found the handicap of giving away so much weight too great to

# THE FOOTBALL WORLD.

The Auckland representatives were pitted against the first of the visiting Southern teams on Saturday at Alexandra Park, when they had as their opponents the South Island country team. The latter fifteen, which is composed of Buller, Nelson, Marlborough, and West Coast country players were expected to give the Aucklanders a fairly close game, and another large crowd was present at the Park to witness the first representative fixture of importance in the northern city. The Auckland fifteen opened their list of representative matches in a promising manner by defeating the Southerners by 29 points to 3, after an unexciting game. The South Island country players are a well set-up lot of young fellows, and on taking the field neatly attired in white they gave the impression that they would render a good account of themselves. Play had not been long in progress, however, before several weak spots were discernible in the work of the visiting combination, while it was also apparent that they lacked the knowledge possessed by the Aucklanders. For a time the Southerners managed to stem the attacking movements of the Auckland fifteen, and may well take credit for putting up a stubborn fight in the first half of the game. In the second half the visitors' defence crumbled up, and the local team had no difficulty in running up a big total of points. The South Island men would undoubtedly have fared much better had they had an opportunity of playing a couple of games together before meeting Auckland, as they were responsible for many brilliant individual efforts, which, had the necessary combination been forthcoming, would have lessened their uphill task considerably. Not only did their failure to combine properly count against them, but several golden opportunities went begging through fumbling of the leather at the critical juncture.

The South Island country team is fairly strong in the forwards, but such cannot be said of the backs, among whom there are no really first-class players. Had their forwards met a weaker team than Auckland the Southern backs may have displayed their capabilities to much better advantage than they did on Saturday, when, however, their efforts were confined mostly to defence. There were occasions on which the visiting backs did, through the clever hooking of the forwards, secure the ball when in a good attacking position, but they appeared uncertain of their ground, there being a want of system in their movements, which were easily checked by the Aucklanders. It was early realised that the visitors were a beaten team, and seldom has so little enthusiasm been displayed by the onlookers in a representative match. The superior play of the Aucklanders robbed the game of nearly all interest, as they simply ran over the Southerners in the second half, plainly revealing the disparity in the relative strength of the two teams. After making a creditable showing against the Auckland team in the early stages, condition told its tale with the visitors, whose staying power was much below that of the well-trained local players. The dash which the South Island forwards displayed in the first spell was missing from their efforts during the remainder of the game, whereas the Aucklanders only seemed to get going properly in the second half of the match, with the result that the score commenced to creep up rapidly. Even allowing for the fact that the South Island men played well in the first spell, the exhibition given by the Aucklanders during that period was none the less disappointing, and they will need to settle down to their work quicker than they did on Saturday, when the Taranaki and Wellington fixtures come up for decision in a few weeks' time.

Despite their victory being lightly won, the Auckland fifteen did not impress the spectators in their match against the South Island country representatives. In the first place the work of the backs was far from convincing, there being too much individuality about their play. They

were not, however, overburdened with openings, mainly as a result of their half-back playing much below his customary form. There were few passing bouts in which the Auckland backs handled and passed the leather with precision, the tendency among them being to get out of their positions when engaged in attack. The majority of the tries scored by Auckland were largely due to brilliant individual effort, and it was only in the concluding stage of the game when the visitors were lacking in energy that the ball travelled through the hands of the Auckland backs as it should do, Macky, the wing three-quarter, being given several nice opportunities to put his try-scoring abilities to the test, which he did to advantage.

The Auckland forwards for a time on Saturday looked to have met a combination that would keep them busily employed during the match, but the pressure of the South Island vanguard gradually relaxed as the game progressed, and towards the end of the match the Auckland front

been far more productive but for the lack of finish which characterised their play.

So solid a resistance did the South Island men meet the Aucklanders with that it was late in the first half before the latter scored, McGregor, accepting a pass from Hall, and with a smart, dodgy run the nippy three-quarter was across the line like a flash. Walshe landed a good goal. Auckland 5, South Island nil. Following this score, the visitors were awarded a penalty, and Church managed to pilot the ball over the crossbar from a difficult angle. No further score was obtained in the first half, which ended: Auckland 5, South Island 3. In the second spell McGregor secured his second try shortly after the kick-off, the Ponsonby three-quarter cleverly dribbling the ball over, and touching down in the nick of time. Ifwerson kicked a neat goal. Tries were then scored in succession for Auckland by Carroll, Tre-size, Sellars, and Mackay (2), two of which were converted by Ifwerson.

his first appearance as an Auckland representative. His pace and clean handling of the ball proved very useful at times, and he is without doubt a handy man in an attacking team. His superb goal-kicking alone entitled him to a place in Saturday's team, three of his attempts in succession resulting in tries being converted.

Walshe, at five-eighths, was patchy, erratic passing and failure to hold the ball being his principal mistakes. He is inclined to attempt too much on his own, and would do well to remedy this defect in his play.

McGregor was the shining light in the threequarter line, and both of his tries were the result of heady play. The Ponsonby threequarter is the most dangerous scoring man playing in Auckland this season, and judging by his clever exhibition on Saturday his services should prove invaluable in the big rep. fixtures.

Stewart, at centre, on several occasions dropped his passes, and tak-



THE AUCKLAND BOXING REPRESENTATIVES WHO COMPETED AT THE NEW ZEALAND CHAMPIONSHIPS IN WELLINGTON.—Reading from left: S. C. Whalley (lightweight), E. McKenzie (featherweight), Mr M. Ballin (delegate), Mr Frank Burns (manager), M. Dwyer (heavyweight), H. Payne (bantamweight), S. Mitchell (welterweight).

division practically had the visitors at their mercy. Several of the Southern forwards played very fine games, Nolan, on the wing, in particular, leading his side on with great determination and dash. With a little more knowledge of each other's methods the South Island country forwards would stand up to the best provincial representative teams without any possibility of being outplayed, for, in addition to being fast and weighty, they lack nothing on the score of willingness. In the first few scrums the visitors more than held their own against the solid Auckland pack, while on several occasions they succeeded in screwing the scrum and coming away with the ball at their feet. This manoeuvre promised to give the Southerners a big advantage in the scrums, but the Auckland forwards soon found a method of counteracting it, and once their front rankers settled down to their work properly the Northerners demonstrated their superiority in securing the leather. The South Islanders, which team cannot be called a representative one so far as the country is concerned, Southland, Otago, and Canterbury country players being excluded, afforded a good idea of the standard of Rugby in the country districts north of Canterbury, which are able to boast of some very fair exponents of the Dominion's national game. In nippiness they were completely overshadowed by the Aucklanders, while their efforts would have

Hall, at wing forward, was seldom prominent, and will have to show marked improvement in his play to warrant his inclusion in the team to meet the chosen of the leading southern provinces. Carroll, who played in the pack, made his presence felt by dashing and serviceable methods, and his form has been so consistent during the season that Auckland will suffer a big loss in his selection as wing forward in the big rep. matches is overlooked. Sellars was one of the hardest grafters in the Auckland pack, while he shone out conspicuously as the result of his fast following up, and the useful part he took in the forward rushes. Wilson also accomplished good work in the loose, breaking away with the ball at his feet on several occasions and gaining considerable ground for the blue and whites through his clever dribbling tactics.

Webb, at half, rarely gave glimpses of his true form, his handling of the leather being plainly at fault. He was repeatedly beaten by the ball, while the South Island forwards were upon him times out of number. His play was hard to understand, since speed and nippiness are usually his strong points, while it is seldom that he errs in gathering in the leather.

Ifwerson, at first five-eighths, acquitted himself very creditably for

en altogether his display was much below his usual standard. However, he has been shaping exceptionally well this season, so that he should have no difficulty in improving on his game of Saturday in matches to come.

Macky, at wing threequarter, was not very prominent in the first half owing to having but little to do. In the second spell he was given plenty of chances, which he made the most of, a couple of brilliant tries going down to his credit. Macky, besides possessing pace, plays with judgment, and is never slow at taking advantage of an opening, as was evidenced by his cool showing on Saturday.

J. O'Brien's exhibition at full-back was not free from mistakes, but his errors were never serious, and in one or two instances he made wonderful recoveries. Most of his work was of a sound order, and being a brainy player, who is always cool when danger threatens, he is easily the best man in the position in Auckland.

J. Nolan, the South Island skipper, played a remarkably fine game on the wing, towering over his vis-a-vis. He is a sterling forward of the vigorous type, who keeps going from start to finish, and his brilliancy in the open much impressed the onlookers.

French also gave a very fine display, while Forbes accomplished no end of graft.

Church, at half, was responsible for some smart work, rendering much useful assistance on the defence.

Nelson was the pick of the five-eighths, his fielding and kicking of the ball being well up to representative form.

Irving, at centre, was the best of the threequarters, and proved the mainstay of the South Island backs.

Haase showed up well, his defensive tactics leaving nothing to cavil at.

Atchison, at full-back, was weak, letting his side down badly as the result of his failure to field the ball.

**NOTES.**

At Alexandra Park on Saturday the Auckland representatives will play the South Auckland team. The South Auckland Rugby Union have been very keen on securing a match for their representative team against the chosen of Auckland, and it is pleas-

for decision, and it would therefore occasion no surprise to find Walshe and Fryer being substituted for Ifwerson and Macky, as players of considerable experience will assuredly be required if Auckland is to retain the Rugby supremacy of the Dominion.

The South Auckland team has been selected as follows:—Fullback, P. Turner (Maniapoto); threequarters, V. McCollum (Karangahake), A. Cook (Hamilton), N. McGeehan (Paeroa); five-eighths, Alf. Lennard (Piako), A. Black (Waipa); halfback, Fear (Hamilton); wing-forward, W. Clarken (Hamilton); forwards, A. Lennard (Piako), C. Smith (Hamilton), V. Young (Paeroa), D. Turner (Maniapoto), J. Griffen (Karangahake), W. Ryan (Matamata), McKay (Maniapoto); emergencies: Backs—Healy (Maniapoto), W. Edwards (Paeroa). Forwards—T. McCracken (King Country), J. Waters (Cambridge).

Mr. Charles Buchanan, one of the vice-presidents of the Canterbury Rugby Union, will manage the North Island country team on its southern tour. The first game will be against Canterbury to-day (Thursday), July 25.

Eden Ramblers registered their second victory this season by defeating City Rovers after a match in which brilliant play was conspicuous only by its absence. City had a very weak team in the field, and made a poor showing, the light Eden men winning all the way, and scoring a well-deserved victory by 25 points to 5.

An evenly-contested and interesting game eventuated between North Shore Albions and Ponsonby United, and ended in a draw, each side scoring 13 points. In the first half Ponsonby had much the better of the play, and registered the whole of their points, while Shore only scored one try. However, in the second half the tables were turned, and Ponsonby for the most part were acting on the defensive. Shore kept up a strong attack, and added 10 points to their first spell score, and evened matters up, time being called with the score 13 all.

The following is the final selection of the Rotorua League football team to play Auckland at Rotorua on August 3:—Papakura, Harp, Fitzgerald, Jolly, Woodward, Reke, Rawson, Munro, Gordon, Runciman, Hatu, Walker, Kira.

**AUCKLAND V. HAWKE'S BAY.**

At Eden Park on Saturday Auckland will be called upon to defend the Northern Union Challenge Cup against the Hawke's Bay representatives. The visitors are reported to be a strong combination, and a close and interesting game may confidently be expected. Last season Auckland defeated their opponents by 17 points to 13.

The Auckland team on Saturday will comprise the following players: Fullback: Hardgrave (Manukau). Threequarters: Keneally (Eden), Curran (Newton), Weston (North Shore).

Five-eighths: Blakey (Newton), Carlaw (Ponsonby).

Half: Webb (Ponsonby).

Forwards: H. Hayward (Thames), Dunning (Ponsonby), Rukutai (Manukau), M. Hayward (Thames), Mitchell (City), Seagar (North Shore).

Emergencies: Backs—Healy (Newton), Roope (Ponsonby). Forwards—Fricker (Ponsonby), Griffin (North Shore).

The following junior players have been selected by the Auckland League junior selector, Mr J. G. Jackson, to take part in an A and B match next Saturday, as a curtain-raiser to the Auckland v. Hawke's Bay match:—

**A TEAM.**

Fullback: Hedge (Otahuhu).

Threequarters: Young (Ponsonby), Robinson (City), Fox (North Shore).

Five-eighths: Beecham (Ponsonby), F. Martin (Otahuhu).

Half: Brennan (Otahuhu).

Forwards: Stanaway (Ponsonby), E. Jordan (Northcote), McCullagh (City), Martin (Otahuhu), C. Chafe (Ellerslie), Mann (North Shore).

Emergencies.—Backs: Walsh (Ponsonby), Gilchrist (Northcote), Chapman (Ellerslie). Forwards: Sheehan (City), Buchanan (North Shore), Good (Ellerslie).

**B TEAM.**

Fullback: Liversidge (Ponsonby).

Threequarters: Brown (Otahuhu), Millar (Ellerslie), McSweeney (Eden).

Five-eighths: Ridings (North Shore), Bater (North Shore).

Half: Peate (Northcote).

Forwards: Madden (Otahuhu), G. Jordan ((Northcote), Wilson (Hobsonville), Longbottom (Ponsonby), Horscroft (Manukau), Wylie (Ellerslie).

Emergencies.—Backs: Greenwood (Ponsonby), Nicholson (North Shore), Good (Northcote). Forwards: Buchanan (North Shore), Wrightson (Northcote), Ryan (Otahuhu).

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THE POVERTY BAY BOXING REPRESENTATIVES, WHO TOOK PART AT THE NEW ZEALAND CHAMPIONSHIPS IN WELLINGTON.—Reading from left: D. Gillard (trainer), Mr F. Allen (delegate), V. Lowe (heavyweight), Mr H. Humphries (manager), W. Seymour (trainer), C. Cate (middleweight), R. A. Adair (featherweight).

ing to note that the A.R.U. have found a Saturday for this fixture before entering upon the inter-provincial fixtures. The South Auckland team is regarded as a worthy one, and though it is not likely they will lower the colours of the parent body's representatives they should, nevertheless, put up a good fight against the Northerners.

The Auckland team to meet South Auckland is as follows:—Fullback, J. O'Brien; threequarters, McGregor, Stewart, Macky; five-eighths, O'Leary, Ifwerson; halfback, Webb; wing-forward, Hall; forwards, Sellars, Tre-size, Bruce, Cunningham, Wilson, Barrett, Carroll; emergencies, Forsyth, Muir, Bilkey, Collett, Walshe, Thomas, Moffitt.

The Auckland team has undergone very little alteration at the hands of the selector, Mr D. Gallaher, since their runaway victory over the South Island representatives. J. O'Leary replaces Walshe at five-eighths, while Bruce and Cunningham are selected in the forwards. The Aucklanders should be in good form for their matches with Taranaki and Wellington, while as it is unlikely there will be any material change in the personnel of the team, they should not be found wanting in combination. The inclusion in the backs of a young trio of players in Webb, Ifwerson, and Macky has caused some comment in Rugby circles, but it cannot be denied that all three have won their way into the team by sheer merit. It may not, however, be found advisable to include the three of them in the rep. team when the big inter-provincial Rugby contests come up

**NORTHERN UNION.**

The following is the position of the teams in the senior grade competition:—

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Points For Ag.
Newton Rangers	10	8	2	0	217 73
Ponsonby United	10	6	2	2	185 80
North Shore Albions	10	5	4	1	129 121
City Rovers	10	5	5	0	94 143
Manukau Rovers	10	3	7	0	57 141
Eden Ramblers	10	2	7	1	77 209

**REPRESENTATIVE MATCHES.**

**FIXTURES.**

- Auckland v. Hawke's Bay, July 27 at Auckland.
- Auckland B v. Waikato, July 27, at Hamilton.
- Auckland v. Rotorua, August 3, at Rotorua.
- Auckland v. Wellington, August 10, at Auckland.
- Auckland B v. Thames, August 10, at Thames.

The senior club competition was brought to a close on Saturday in fine weather, although the playing ground was a trifle heavy.

The first-grade competition concluded on Saturday, when Newton Rangers defeated Manukau Rovers, and earned the title of champions for 1912.

Interest centred in the match between Newton Rangers and Manukau Rovers, but it proved to be a very one-sided affair in the second half, when Newton simply ran all over their opponents and finally won by 34 points to 3. Newton are the local champions for the present season.

The Cup match under the Paeroa Union, between West and Netherton, was played at Hikutaia on Saturday, Netherton winning by three points (a try scored by Young) to nil.

A Rugby League football team, consisting of 22 men, will sail for New Zealand on August 17 to play a series of matches. The first match will be played in Auckland on August 24.

A Northern League match at Paeroa on Saturday resulted in Karangahake defeating Paeroa by 8 points to nil. McClymont and Gibbons scored tries, and Duffy kicked a goal.

The "All Blacks" returned from the Australian tour on Sunday. The members of the team look none the worse for their trip, and speak well of the treatment received from our friends across the Tasman.

The Wanganui League have secured Cook's Gardens for the Hawke's Bay v. Wanganui representative game on August 3.

I was told by some of the leading players who represented both North and South Island recently, that they were after the League game, more especially when it got started in the South Island.—"Drop Kick," in the "Napier Telegraph."

A committee has been formed in Hastings, consisting of Messrs. J. Pointon, senr., W. Lane, A. Wall, and M. Sullivan, to foster the game in that town.

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# THE STAGE

## AUCKLAND FIXTURES.

### HIS MAJESTY'S THEATRE.

July 22-Aug. 3—The Maggie Moore Co.  
August 15-24—"The Blue Bird" Company  
August 26-31—Miss Margaret Cooper  
Sept. 9-21—Pantomime "Sinbad the Sailor"  
Sept. 23 to Oct. 12—Oscar Asche-Lily Brayton, "Kismet"  
Oct. 14-19—Plimmer-Denniston Co.  
Oct. 29-Nov. 6—Auckland Amateur Operatic Society

### TOWN HALL.

July 17-August 14—"The Dandies."  
Aug. 19-31—Auckland Competitions Society's Festival.

### PICTURE SHOWS.

Queen's Theatre (Continuons).

### OPERA HOUSE.

Fuller's Vaudeville

### HIS MAJESTY'S.

#### "MRS. MCSWEENEY."

#### REAPPEARANCE OF MISS MAGGIE MOORE.

There is a large section of the Auckland public who believe that the most commendable attribute of a play is that which tickles their fancy and creates healthy laughter. Undoubtedly a suitable antidote for the cares and worries of every day life should prove a boon to most people. When theatregoers can sit for two and a-half hours and roll about in their seats with merriment, enjoying in full measure the whimsicalities of a farcical comedy, and thereafter leave the theatre with a sense of having forgotten the tedium and ennui of business and domestic routine, they can be said to have derived the greatest amount of benefit from the antidote administered to them. It is just such an antidote that is available at His Majesty's Theatre this week. It is provided in the most palatable and easily assimilated form by Miss Maggie Moore in the guise of "Mrs. McSweeney." None but a veritable cynic could sit through the performance without feeling that the audience as a whole were thoroughly enjoying the effervescent joys that bubble and sizzle through the three acts of the stage adaptation of "The Surprising Adventures of Bridget McSweeney." The play had a strong Irish flavour, with a pleasing smack of Australian patriotism, besides a liberal admixture of sugar refined from the prolific fields that have produced the sweetening ingredients of farcical comedy since the days of our childhood.

The crowded audience at His Majesty's Theatre on Monday night accorded a most hearty welcome to Miss Maggie Moore on her reappearance in New Zealand after an absence of nine years. The favourite of years gone by has come back to renew her stage acquaintance with a host of former admirers, and is sure to make a strong appeal to another generation of theatregoers in her rollicking characterisation of "Mrs. McSweeney." There can be no question that the Irish-Australian matron is a "character," who is bound to make friends wherever she appears. Miss Maggie Moore certainly was the pivot round which the play moved, and she kept it going with a merry whirl throughout. "Pat," the dutiful but bouncing "hubby" of "Mrs. McSweeney," was cleverly portrayed by Mr. E. B. Russell. Mr. Charles Morse sustained the character of "Jack Freeman" with credit, while Mr. Arthur Shirley was quite a success as an impetuous remittance man. Miss Beatrice Esmond, as the President of the Female Emancipation League, had very little to say, but played her part admirably. Miss Glorie Gould, who filled the role of Norah Ranstone, niece of Mrs. McSweeney, was most successful in her incidental song: "My Little Bush Lassie." The other characters were equally well sustained. "Mrs. McSweeney" will hold the boards at

His Majesty's Theatre for a short season only, so that those who have not yet seen the laughable musical farce should take an early opportunity of making the acquaintance of the estimable lady.

### TOWN HALL.

#### "THE DANDIES."

Double and treble encores were the order of the evening at the Town Hall on Monday when "The Dandies" gave a change of programme to a crowded and delighted audience, further establishing their reputation in Auckland. The one aim of the "Dandies" is to please, and they do it to a nicety. Grave or gay—and it is mostly gay—nothing comes amiss to them, while in the matter of encores

Oliver Peacock, with the baritone voice and the attractive personality, captured all with his choice of items and his sympathetic handling of them, and his encore song "Because" only incited his hearers to more insistent demands, which also were acceded to. Mr Gavin Wood's deep bass voice was heard to excellent effect, and he deservedly shared in the general shower of approbation. In a class of his own is Mr Claude Dampier, one of his cleverest and most laughable caricatures being that of a long-haired, melancholy poet whose effusions, as given by Mr Dampier, simply made the audience collapse. Another amusing contribution of his was a concert burlesque, and the audience could not get enough of him. In the concerted items, the company were very happily placed, amongst

tounded everyone. Quite a novel demonstration she gives of her powers, and the striking setting and staging considerably enhance the "turn," which is further supplemented by the lady's effective dressing. There is always a fascination about the mystic, and Madame is unusually gifted in casting a magic spell. Blindfolded, she describes any article her partner selects from the audience, and concludes with a marvellous exhibition of card lore. Phill and Phlora, a conspicuously clever pair, were seen in a silent comedy acrobatic act, which has some very smart features. They were accorded a great ovation. The Brennans (see illustration) were again in brisk demand for their unique clog dancing exhibition, while Johnson and Wells, coloured comedians, made good at once with their dexterous dancing and specialities. Mr Herbert Clifton was again encored to the echo and gave some delightful renderings. Another pleasing singer was Mr Dan Llewellyn who, as usual, scored prominently. Other artistes contributing to a gay and breezy programme were the Driscoll Boys, with their merry patter, the Gresham girls, Misses Stella Ranger, Doris Royal, and May Lewis, Arthur Stacey and George Wallace. The orchestra was under Miss Ivy Akerstein's able guidance.

### QUEEN'S THEATRE.

There was no lack of variety in the pictorial programme submitted at Queen's Theatre on Monday, and patrons were not slow to express their appreciation. "Redemption" was the subject of a decidedly interesting drama, depicting the life of a young girl named Manette Aumont, who marries a Count, leaves him for a singer and the stage, meets with misfortune, and is eventually befriended by convent sisters, and works out her salvation by nursing. Manette becomes a hospital nurse, and acts heroically when an outbreak of cholera occurs. The Cross of the Legion of Honour is awarded to her, but too late—for she has succumbed to cholera. This picture created sensational interest, and long queues were much in evidence. Exceptionally thrilling was "The Black Wall," a colliery story, showing the workings underground and the horrors of an explosion. Two children are amongst those entombed, and the perilous situations were realistically portrayed. In lighter vein were "Over the Garden Wall," and "Father buys the Crockery," which proved real merry makers. Another attractive series is to be screened to-day, the "star" being entitled "The Midnight Wedding," which abounds in thrilling incidents, coupled with the old, old story.



MISS MAGGIE MOORE,

As "Mrs Bridget McSweeney," who is making people laugh nightly at His Majesty's Theatre.

they are as gracious as they are versatile. Popular songs were further popularised by their members, Miss Evelyn Ward's beautiful contralto voice being heard to fine effect in half a dozen numbers, amongst them "Out on the Rocks," "Three Green Bonnets," "The Night has a Thousand Eyes." Miss Hilda Lane received an ovation for her finished rendering of "Poor Wandering One (Pirates of Penzance), and Tosti's "Good-Bye," while her recall songs were equally well interpreted. That dainty little soubrette—Miss Irene Vere—gave a couple of clever specialties with characteristic charm and vivacity, and she was also obliged to pay a big penalty for popularity. Mr George Morgan was more than pleasing in "Don't Sing Yip-I-Addy," the humour of its interpretation being added to in the refrain by the other members and in response to an exacting audience, Mr Morgan demonstrated his agility in the way of dancing. Mr

them being a tongue-twisting couplet which roused the audience to peals of laughter all through; "The Village Pump," by Messrs Dampier, Wood, Peacock and Morgan, in typical smocks; and in direct contrast but in equal appeal, "The Monocle Brigade," the programme terminating with "The Dolls' Dance," by the party. The "Dandies" would not be complete without Mr Leonard Griffiths, who accompanies them with an efficiency and a happy participation in the various numbers that adds a finishing touch to the general harmony. We can strongly recommend a visit to "The Dandies."

### OPERA HOUSE.

A packed house again greeted the artists at the Opera House on Monday night. To Madame Zomah must be given pride of place for her great mind-reading act, which simply as-

John Coates, of the Quinlan Grand Opera Company (who are scoring a big success in Sydney), enjoys telling a story against himself. He relates that on one occasion, while he was at Dusseldorf, a postman came to the Town Hall concert with a letter addressed to "John Coates, tenorist, Dusseldorf." Those who have travelled much in Germany will remember their trouble in proving their identity to the satisfaction of post office officials. Mr Coates was alone in the ante-room, a symphony was proceeding, and the postman was dubious. "How am I to know you are John Coates, the great tenorist? You have no passport, no evidence of identity, and I can't wait till the conductor returns." Mr Coates had an idea. Drawing himself up, he poured forth in his most impassioned manner a few bars from "Tristan." "There," he said, "what about that?" The postman laughed. "You're a joker," he chortled, "and you nearly took me in. The great tenorist! Ha! Ha! I could sing it better myself!"



**MISS MAGGIE MOORE.**

**"SERVANTS OF THE PUBLIC."**

It is some nine years since Miss Maggie Moore (who it is well known is Mrs J. K. Roberts in private life) was in New Zealand, but the hosts of pleasant recollections she left behind her, have served to keep her memory fresh in the minds of local theatre-goers. And no actress will get a warmer welcome! One of the idols of the Australian stage, Miss Maggie Moore, as she is familiarly called, has just come fresh from a series of triumphs with "Mrs McSweeney." Five weeks in Melbourne, three weeks in Sydney, a tour through New South Wales and Adelaide, and all to exceptionally big business. After the Dominion tour, they do Hobart and Launceston, then a return trip to Sydney.

A chat with the lady confirms that she has lost none of her old light-heartedness, optimism, and vivacity. Behind the stage she is ever ready with a kindly word of cheer and encouragement, while no detail is too small to escape her attention. Mr Thomas Spencer, the author of the book, "The Surprising Adventures of Mrs McSweeney," died a few months ago, and did not see the dramatisation of his story. But three years ago he was negotiating with Miss Moore to play it for him. However it was only recently dramatised by Toso Taylor, "and" (said the actress) "there was some considerable cutting out and fixing up to be done before it could be made playable. For instance, you remember that chapter in the book where Mrs McSweeney goes to the caves, and as she ascends the ladder she slips and falls on her husband. Well, fancy my weight coming down on anyone like that! Why, there would be no man left at all!" And Miss Maggie Moore, who has not lost her keen sense of humour, laughed heartily at the suggestion. "So you can understand," she added, "that we had to chop and change the book and build it up to suit various exigencies."

"There's plenty to do in 'Mrs McSweeney,'" she remarked. "It's one of the longest talking pieces I have had. But I just love the part and throw myself heart and soul in it. In fact I sometimes wonder whether I'm myself or Mrs McSweeney. The stage is second nature to me, and I try to give my best to it. As servants of the public we owe it to them." This popular actress has been on the stage practically all her life, since before she was nine, and at fifteen her brother and she sang, danced and did vaudeville sketches. She is a warm advocate of the value of dancing for actresses—which may be a tip for the budding aspirant—and considers that every girl who wants to be an actress should learn to dance. Not necessarily for the public, but to give her grace and ease of movement. Comedy, drama, tragedy, and light opera—Miss Maggie Moore has run the gamut of them all. For she is nothing if not versatile, and with four trips round the world, she has not kept her eyes shut. Whatever she does, she does well. "Oh," sighed she, "it's a pity they made me grow 'thick!' I could have matched the youngest of them only for that!" But Maggie Moore can rest assured that she is too firm a favourite to be easily ousted.

Mr and Mrs Roberts have their home in Sydney. A cottage—"about a minute big"—said Mrs Roberts, who—apropos of nothing—was born in San Francisco, and they find it a cosy retreat out of working hours.

The artist enthused heartily over Australians and of their loyalty and staunchness to her. Of Playwrights, Ltd., under whose direction the company is playing, she spoke most warmly. "No expense or trouble has been spared by them in any detail to make 'Mrs McSweeney' go well. They have done everything to ensure its successful presentation to the public, and it is a real pleasure to me to be associated with them." Miss Maggie Moore is fortunate in having for the manager of her company her brother, Mr James Moore, a well-known figure in theatrical circles, whose affectionate co-operation should serve to further smooth the path of success.

Mr Geo. S. Titheradge is scoring a big success with the Plimmer-Denniston Company in his old part of Lord Illington in "A Woman of No Importance."

**GREENROOM GOSSIP.**

**"Sinbad, the Sailor."**

When "Sinbad, the Sailor," terminates its season in Sydney, it will have completed a run of 86 nights. Brisbane, Tocwoomba, and Newcastle will be played before the gorgeous pantomime goes to New Zealand. "Sinbad" has proved one of the biggest successes ever experienced by a J. C. Williamson pantomime.

**The Fragrance of "Kismet."**

"One can detect a member of the Oscar Asche-Lily Brayton Company in Sydney by sense of smell," says a newspaper writer in that city. "They simply pervade the vicinity with incense. Their clothes through a long association with 'Kismet' have become impregnated with the perfume. Mr Asche is steadily scenting the population of Sydney. In the Darlinghurst tram one night during the week a man was sitting beside two ladies who had been to one of the music halls. One of them, whom he apparently knew, looked at him curiously, and remarked: 'How nice you smell!' 'Yes,' he replied, 'I have been to Kismet.'"

**A Strange Anomaly.**

It seems an anomaly that a man who invents a stage effect for pantomime or vaudeville business can patent it, while the producer of a play has no legal rights to his creative work. "Kismet," now being played at Sydney Theatre Royal, is a notable instance of the injustice of this. It is everywhere admitted that the novel and beautiful staging has contributed greatly to its success. The first essential, as Mr Asche recognised was that the play should have the Oriental atmosphere and he worked to this end with surprisingly artistic results. The bazaar scene, which those who know the East thought so realistic, was just barely mentioned in Knoblauch's script. "How do you stand in regard to that?" Mr Asche was asked during the week. "Everything I put into the play," he answered, "becomes at once the property of the author." Seeing that replicas of Mr Asche's production of "Kismet" are being played in New York, Paris, Berlin, Vienna, Milan, and St. Petersburg, it seems as if there should be something coming to him out of all the money "Kismet" is earning in those cities. Knoblauch, Mr Asche estimates, will draw

young man's pretensions, but when the youth played on the mandolin one of the master's most difficult violin exercises, the great man was impressed and took him as a pupil forthwith.

**A Wonderful Singer.**

Madame Elenora de Cisneros has in her Melbourne season created the same enthusiasm and appreciation as that which caused the directors of her Australasian tour (Messrs. Portus and Talbot, Ltd.) to extend the Sydney season from one week to two. Her glorious singing as a prima donna in the Melba Grand Opera Company has already placed her high in the estimation of the public in both cities. Her magnificent work on the concert platform where she is forced to rely entirely upon her voice for her effects, has placed her higher than ever. Madame de Cisneros is presenting programmes full of interesting features of a range and a variety such as no previous concert artist has ever offered the public.

**A Musical Treat in Store.**

Mme. de Cisneros will probably sing here some at least of the delicious ballads with which she has been charming Sydney—among them, the beautiful Irish ballads which have been rescued from forgetfulness by the efforts of collectors during the past hundred years. Some of them were preserved only by being written down from the singing of famous old Irish harpers. Modern French and German songs, with an endless variety of English ballads, ancient and modern, are added to the surprising extent of Mme. de Cisneros' concert tour. Details of her visit to this city, which is under the management of the new and successful firm of Portus and Talbot Ltd., will be announced shortly. The great singer is supported by M. Paul Dufault (tenor) and Mr. James Liebling.

**A Violent Strain.**

Strong as Mr. Oscar Asche is physically and mentally, his acting in "Othello" leaves him exhausted and disturbed after the performance (writes our Melbourne correspondent) and it takes some time before he is able to resume his normal composure and state of mind. No actor of his temperament could fail to be affected by the violent strain mentally and the strenuous phases of the Moor's character he has to depict. The death scene in the last act leaves him thoroughly exhausted. Miss Brayton, too, comes through the ordeal strongly affected.

**Tom Thumb in Tiny Town.**

Pasha Hayati Hassid was born in Salonica (Europe Turkey) on January 19th, 1852. He was the youngest of twelve children, his parents, brothers and sisters being of normal size. Although he has not grown since the age of four, he is not deformed in any way. His height is 30 inches, and he weighs 34lb. He is extremely intelligent, speaking fluently eight languages, viz., French, German, Arabic, Spanish, Turkish, Greek, Italian, and English. He first visited Cairo (Egypt). From there he went to France, visiting Marseilles, Lyons, Dijon, and all the larger towns of the Republic. Eventually he went to Paris, where he immediately secured excellent theatrical engagements. He was the smallest man ever seen in Europe, and he was the sensation of seasons at the Folies Bergere and the Odeon.

**A Popular Band of Artists.**

The favourites of the popular J. C. Williamson Royal Comic Opera Company were given a warm welcome back to Melbourne, when they appeared in the first production in that city of "The Quaker Girl." There surely was never a better nor more popular band of musical comedy artists in Australia during the last few years than the company which has made such a big hit in "Our Miss Gibbs" and "The Quaker Girl." They are artists not only of ability and charm, but also personality. And this latter possession counts for a great deal with Australian audiences.



**MAY AND WILL BRENNAN.**  
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**All Fine Artists.**

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**Moving On.**

The J. C. Williamson production of "Nightbirds," despite its pronounced success, has to get a move on from the Criterion Theatre, Sydney, to make way for the advent of the American comedy company which is to open on August 3 in "Get Rich Quick Wallingford," one of the brightest and snappiest of American farce-comedies. Fred. Niblo and Josephine Cohan, who are the "mainspring," as it were, of the piece, have already arrived in Sydney. Miss Cohan is a sister of the celebrated George Cohan, the millionaire author-actor-manager, who controls four theatres.

fully £100,000 in royalties on the play from different parts of the world.

**"Ben Hur" a Money-maker.**

The J. C. Williamson production of "Ben Hur" is putting up records in New Zealand, and is drawing packed houses everywhere. Since the fire at Her Majesty's Theatre, Sydney, years ago, preventing Mr. J. C. Williamson from realising his project of presenting this play on a great spectacular scale, for the run was cut short at the beginning, he has been keen on having another "go" at it. The enormous success the production has achieved has borne out his views as to the play's immense possibilities in Australasia. It has proved one of the biggest money-makers J. C. Williamson has ever had.

**A Master of Mandolin.**

Not the least notable artist with the Margaret Cooper Company now in New Zealand is Signor Manzoni, a mandolinist of remarkable technique and execution. This distinguished musician is an Italian, and studied at Milan, where his uncommon gifts brought him unexpected fame and honours. He is not only practised on the mandolin and violin, but went to Secok, the illustrious teacher of Kubelik, to become a master of fingering. Secok at first laughed at the

How often youths' bright fancies are  
Dispelled by passing years;  
How often troubles come to man,  
Our joy, with sorrow's tears,  
But 'midst the changing scenes of life,  
Of one thing we are sure:  
We're freed from coughs and colds so  
rife,  
By Woods' Great Peppermint Cure.

## Theatrical Topics.

George S. Titheradge, now playing in Melbourne in "A Woman of No Importance," has a very poor regard for America. The subject was broached to him in Sydney recently. "America!" he exclaimed. "I broke down in America. Had I stayed in the country my health would have been ruined. Playing one-night towns, eating when and where you can, and what you may get. It is one continuous rush. My first experience was with a company which started on a six weeks' series of rehearsals in New York prior to going on tour. First call, nine o'clock, and when one o'clock arrives no sign of an adjournment. I went up to the manager, and said, 'It is one o'clock; I am going out to lunch.' The members of the company gasped in amazement. The manager was speechless. I left, and came back at two o'clock, and found the rehearsal still in progress. I did the same thing next day. On the third day a notice was posted:—'There will be an interval for lunch from 1 till 1.45 p.m.' Members of the company came to me and whispered their thanks for bringing about this innovation. I told them that they were slaves, and that it was a howling fallacy to call America the 'Land of the Free.'"

Johnny O'Neil last year made a tour of the western towns.

"What was it like in those towns?" was asked him.

"Oh, a hundred and five in Cobar, a hundred and seven in Bourke, and round about that."

"What! a hundred and seven quid! Do you mean to say you got a hundred and seven in the house in Bourke!"

"Good Lord, no," said Johnny O'Neil, "not in the house—in the shade."—From "Theatrical Caricatures."

A judicial opinion in regard to hissing in a theatre has been delivered in a Virginia law court. At the recent premiere of a piece entitled "Papa" in the People's Theatre, two neighbours in the stalls quarrelled. A manufacturer, who applauded the piece, was much annoyed because a merchant sitting next to him hissed it, and finally gave the latter the benefit of his opinion, that "It's low to hiss and a sign of bad manners and defective education." For this insult the merchant brought an action, and the judge fined the manufacturer two dollars, remarking that hissing is just as permissible as clapping.

Miss Grace Palotta was warmly welcomed back to Australia on her appearance in "The Quaker Girl." "No one," says the Melbourne "Age," "got a better reception from the audience than Miss Grace Palotta, whose natural vivacity and good looks added to her touch of foreign mannerism, make her an ideal representative of such a character as Madame Blum."

For M. Paul Dufault, who aids Mme. de Cisneros in her concerts, Sydney audiences and critics could not find words sufficiently enthusiastic. He is truly one of the noblest tenors ever heard on the platform in Australia, and his first appearance secured him a sensational success. It

is safe to prophesy the same enthusiasm for M. Dufault here as that with which Sydney welcomed him. At times his success rivalled that of Mme. de Cisneros, who showed a generous delight in the appreciation of the singer whom she herself had selected as a "surprise packet" for Australia.

A letter from Mr John Fuller, jun., was read at the sitting of the Education Commission at Wellington, protesting against assertions that picture shows were harmful to the morals of the community. Such statements were absolutely without foundation, as far as the entertainments under his control were concerned. In his public capacity, he said, he would be glad to assist the commission in devising measures which will prevent children of tender years from being in the streets at a time when they should be in bed. Something on the lines of the by-laws of the London County should be enacted here. This would prevent children from being in places of amusement or on the streets after 8 p.m.

Charlie Landis, who is famous throughout all Indiana as a wit and story-teller, thinks he has read the most original Shakespearean criticism ever written, so says an American writer.

According to him, it appeared in a paper published in Rising Sun, Indiana, and it was called forth by the production there of "Hamlet" by Walker Whiteside. In Rising Sun, Shakespeare was a novelty, and the little theatre, the only one in town, was crowded to the doors for the performance.

The next morning the daily chronicler of the happenings in the village printed this:—

Shakespeare's immortal tragedy, "Hamlet," was produced here last night. It was a great society event. The leading men of town and their wives and daughters were out in the best clothes they could afford. Seldom has such a distinguished assemblage been gotten together in this part of the country.

There has long been a dispute as to whether Shakespeare or Lord Bacon wrote the plays of Shakespeare. That knotty problem can now be solved. Let the graves of both men be opened. "Hamlet" was written by the one who turned over last night.

Apropos of George Musgrove, one of Australia's greatest entrepreneurs, Melbourne "Punch" gives the following typical incident: He is the sort of man who hates to ask for information. He thinks he knows most things, and what he does not know he prefers to find out without assistance. He used to search the papers for the advertisements of new operas. One day he saw that at Frankfurt, under the announcement Frankfurt operas, there appeared in large letters "Geschlossen." That was all. He had never heard of the opera, and the way in which it was advertised struck him as so novel that it must be something indeed worth having. He travelled to Frankfurt to hear this wonderful opera. He told nobody of his purpose. This is his way. He arrived at the sausage city, put up at an hotel, and in the afternoon ordered a carriage to drive him to the Opera House. He arrived there, and found the doors shut, but plastered with great red labels, "Geschlossen." He demanded by gestures and signs

to know why the doors were not open, and it took the cabman and a policeman ten minutes of vigorous pantomime to convey to his mind and intelligence that "Geschlossen" was the German for "closed," and not the name of an opera at all.

Miss Ethel Irving has just returned to England from Australia, and made her re-appearance at the Hippodrome. Miss Irving finds the Australians a race of passionate theatre-goers, and she notes the amazing power of the Press in moulding their judgment. "The social side of Australia," she says, "is very marked. The Australians are a pleasure-loving race. Dinners, balls, dances from one end of the year to the other, and everybody goes to the theatre. Their likes and dislikes are marked. They take every sort of play offered—but it has to be the best of its kind or you hear from them. The power of the Press is amazing. Everybody—from the little boy in the street to the man at the top of the social scale—reads the papers, and their faith in the Press is complete. 'I read it in the paper,' you will hear them say, 'so it must be true.' We played Lady Frederick, Dame Nature, and The Witness for the Defence. These plays have little in common, but I am glad to say that, critical as the Australians are—and they take nothing on hearsay—we got home with all three. Their appreciation was extraordinary."

Mr Charles Blake has taken up the advance work of Wykeham-Nable for the remainder of the South Island tour and the country tours thereof. Mr Blake has played many parts on the stage himself, amongst them Iago in "Othello," Marcus Superbus in "The Sign of the Cross," John Storm in "The Christian," and others. The company are playing "Who's William?" in addition to "Plaster of Paris" and "The Belle of Newport."

Mr Kenneth Brampton, the clever English actor who made such a good impression here, has now joined the George Marlow Company. Mr Brampton has made two visits to South Africa with companies of his own. It was just after the war that he first went there. At times the members performed in cornsheds, with nothing in the way of a stage, or stage equipment. "Yet we played," says Mr Brampton, "to audiences who did not pay less than a sovereign or half a sovereign a head to see us. In those days money was most plentiful. We stayed there ten months. But it was different when we went back to South Africa twelve months later. Things had completely changed. All the theatrical managers were suffering terribly. People who, when we went there the first time, would not mind throwing down £5 for a few seats, without worrying about the change, were now considering themselves lucky if they could scrape up a shilling for a back seat."

Mr Harry Carson Clarke has been engaged by J. C. Williamson, Ltd., to play in "Get-Rich-Quick Wallingford." Mr Clarke is a noted American comedian. He set out to tour the world some years ago with his wife—Margaret Dale Owen—also a famous comedy actress. The pair have struck big engagements everywhere they went, and their holiday tour has been converted into real hard work.

Mr Clarke came to Australia feeling safe from work, but the tempting offer put up to him by Mr Hugh J. Ward, who learnt his business in the same school as Mr Clarke learnt his, induced him to take up the part again.

Miss Carrie Moore is scoring brilliantly in her new metier as a vaudeville artist. "I have been asked ever so many times why I went into vaudeville (she wrote to a friend in Sydney). There is no answer to it. Going into vaudeville has become a habit in England and America; I simply contracted the habit—that's all. You know, there have been many so-called legitimate actors and actresses of undeniable ability that have failed in vaudeville, and I am sure the reason is simply that they did not pay enough attention to what they offered to the public. They kind of looked upon vaudeville as 'Pie,' or something easy, and gave the audiences a slipshod performance, which was resented. I am still relying mostly on comedy for my success, although a letter from a friend in New York tells me that all the big vaudeville successes this year are tearful acts, one of them being 'The Melody of Love,' played by Mabel Frenyear."

A farmer from the country went to London to visit his son. After dinner the son said to his father:—

"Dad, let's go to a good show."

The old man was game in a minute.

Not knowing that his son was addicted to the picture-palace habit, they dropped into one of the big cinematograph theatres and took seats in the last row.

Three films had been run off, when the youngster turned to the old man:

"How do you like it?" he asked.

"Aw!" said the old gentleman, "it's a good show, I reckon, but we're sitting so far back I can't hear the actors speak."

"Find the Woman!" Such is the new title of "The Third Degree" as produced by Mr. Bouchier at the Garrick Theatre, London. Miss Violet Vanbrugh takes a principal part. The Third Degree is the term applied by Americans to their police system of putting arrested persons under a strenuous and prolonged examination with the object of extracting a confession from them before they are brought to trial. The piece was played here a couple of years ago by Katherine Grey and William Desmond.

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Miss Alice Moffat, who was leading lady with "The Arcadians" here, has joined the Wykeham-Nable Company.

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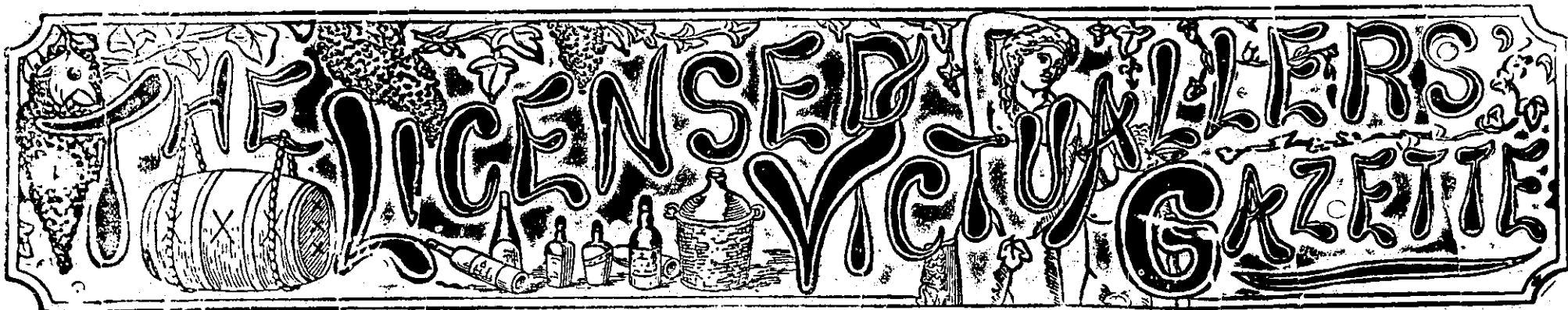
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H. J. WILLIAMS.

Secretary N.Z. L.V. Association.

Wellington, October 20, 1910.

## THE GOVERNMENT AND THE LICENSING QUESTION.

### NO BARE MAJORITY LEGISLATION

#### MR. MASSEY'S TACTFUL REMARKS.

The New Zealand Alliance lost no time in running Premier Massey to earth after he took office, but they found their quarry equal to their wiles, because he point blank refused to surrender. It is to the Prime Minister's credit that he put his refusal to promise legislation on the bare majority issue on the broadest and least controversial grounds, by pointing out that the new Administration already had been handicapped by the time wasted on account of the unsettled state of the parties, and that it was unfair to expect Parliament to occupy its time during the coming session in dealing with such a thorny problem as a Licensing Bill. Mr Massey candidly told the deputation that Ministers and members alike would be fully occupied during the ensuing Parliament with matters of more direct concern to the country.

In putting forward the claims of the No-license and Prohibition extremists the best argument that could be adduced in favour of the bare majority was contained in the Rev. W. J. Comrie's remarks. He said: "We desire to represent that the present three-fifths majority, which was necessary to secure the carrying of No-license or of National Prohibition, was an unfair and well-nigh impossible barrier to the attainment of their ends. There was a certain proportion of the community which it was impossible to turn by virtue of interest, by virtue of their associations with the traffic, by reason of prejudice, and it was almost impossible, in face of that, to get the necessary three-fifths majority. The new Zealand Alliance asked that Mr Massey, as Prime Minister, should take steps to secure a more democratic, a more reasonable method of dealing with the question."

It is in a degree gratifying to lovers of true liberty to have an open confession from the Alliance people that they regarded it as almost impossible to get the necessary three-fifths majority to carry their selfish objects, and we cannot help feeling some sympathy for them in the dilemma to find logical reasons for expecting a Government to introduce legislation to deprive the people of this land of their birthright—personal liberty.

Mr Massey, in his reply, was perfectly fair when he remarked that since he had been in Parliament, and perhaps for years before, the licensing question had not been considered as a party question; and he considered that was the attitude in regard to it which should be adopted in future.

As to a Licensing Bill being introduced, he wanted to be perfectly candid. There was not much probability of a Licensing Bill being introduced this session, and he would tell them why. They knew that owing to the unsettled state of parties and political matters prior to the opening of the present session, a great deal of time had been lost. There were

a number of extremely urgent matters to be dealt with, and he was afraid there would be little time left for licensing.

As to the all-important question of majority, the Prime Minister said he wished to remind the deputation that the licensing question figured very prominently at elections, and there was hardly a member who was not pledged on the subject of the majority. If there was a majority of members in favour of a bare majority or any other course, that majority must prevail. He himself was one of the very few members of the House who was not pledged on the subject. When the matter came up

### UNREGISTERED BARMAIDS.

#### AN AMENDING BILL SUGGESTED.

The Alliance deputation that waited on the Prime Minister to urge the introduction of legislation to make a bare majority operative in Local Option and National Prohibition polls, also asked for legislation to prevent the employment of unregistered barmaids.

In reply, Mr Massey said that he was in the House two years ago when the Licensing Bill was being put through, and he knew perfectly well what took place. The evident intention of Parliament was that existing

ed by the Rev. Mr Comrie that no more clauses would be needed to give the bare majority than to abolish barmaids, Mr Massey replied that a Barmaids Bill could be got through without any difficulty. It is really not the size of the measure, but its character, that makes the essential point. A Barmaids Bill would make just as good a peg to hang a score or two of drastic amendments upon as an Absolute Majority Bill, but Mr Massey evidently regards the former as beyond the pale of controversy. Seeing that the clause in the Act of 1910, which was supposed to have abolished the employment of barmaids other than those previously employed who elected to register under the Act, did not encounter any considerable opposition, and has only proved abortive through a technical defect, the Premier considers that Parliament would have no difficulty in putting through a clause to carry out its admitted intention. There probably would be no difficulty as long as the issue remained thus limited, but it could only be limited by the forbearance of all parties.

### WOWSERISM AS A POLITICAL FACTOR.

#### NEW PARTY SUGGESTED.

Since the Alliance received only cold consolation from Mr Massey when they interviewed him early in the month, it is now suggested that the Temperance Party have determined to bid for political recognition as an independent party, and endeavour to force legislation. For a couple of decades now Parliamentarians have studiously set their faces against the Licensing Question being forced to the front as a party question, and have consequently combated every attempt to allow the Prohibitionists and No-license advocates to take shelter under the flag of either political party. They have been kept in neutral ground, and developed into a roving body of sharpshooters and political bandits. If they now decide to come into the open and fight, the result will doubtless be to the advantage of the Dominion, because it will have the effect of restoring honesty and sincerity in political life. For years members of Parliament have "hedged" on the question in the fear of losing support from any one section of electors. A straight-out declaration from every candidate for Parliamentary honours would probably rid politics in the Dominion of a good deal of the cavilling humbug that now exists in reference to the Licensed Trade.

On this subject, "Fairplay," that stalwart champion of liberty in Australia, makes some pointed remarks. In an article entitled "Wowserism Plays a Lone Hand," this journal says: "When both the older parties were fawning on the Prohibitionist vote, and both equally prepared to deceive the extremists if they got the chance, there could have been neither honesty nor sincerity in the political life of the country. If the black flag of Prohibition is hoisted every politician, equally with every individual in the community, must definitely decide how he is going to go. The position in the past has been well understood. The Wardites on the one hand and the Masseytes on the other paid court to the Prohib's. They sought to obtain the patronage of that party without giving many hostages in return. In both parties were men who leaned to Prohibition, but neither party was prepared to shoulder the odium of being proclaimed a Prohibition party. . . . Possibly it is just as well that the wowsers should segregate themselves from all the old parties in politics. If that happens it will put an end to all trimming and time-serving, and will bring men of all shades of thought into line to oppose those who are aiming a blow against human liberty. We venture to say that the formation of a separate Prohibitionist party in New Zealand means the suicide of that party. And that is a most desirable thing."



HERBERT CLIFTON,

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for consideration his vote would go in the direction in which his judgment dictated. "My sympathies," he added, "and the sympathies of those with whom I am associated, are in the direction of minimising and if possible abolishing the evils of intemperance."

If the Temperance Party received any solace out of Mr Massey's concluding remarks concerning his sympathies, we can assure them that the Prime Minister is only voicing the honest sympathies of the great majority of the people of this land. But we must remind the Alliance brotherhood that the fact of a small percentage of weak-minded and physically unfit people falling victims to intemperance, is by no manner of means a fair reason why moderate people should be deprived of their liberty to satisfy their own tastes.

barmaids were to be registered, and that afterwards further registration could take place. He believed that to be the intention of Parliament, and the intention of Parliament would be given effect to, even if it became necessary to introduce a special Bill for the purpose this session.

He was not so clear on the subject of bars. He would refer the matter to his colleagues and the Crown Law Office.

Commenting on this, the Wellington "Post" says: "He (Mr Massey) indicated the introduction by the Government of a special Bill to deal with the question of barmaids as possible, and even probable, yet the measure would be liable to the Premier's objection that even a Bill of a single clause would give both sides the opportunity of opening up the whole licensing question. When it was urg-

**A DRASTIC REMEDY.**

"Prohibition as a remedy for the drink evil?" queried Colonel Morris F. Westheimer, in Cincinnati; "that's like peppermint for the smell of liquor; it reminds me of a story. When I was in Africa with Harry Levy, I went once to bathe in the river; when I came out I found a group of excited natives on the bank; who told me that I had a fortunate escape from the crocodiles."

"Well" I said, "isn't there any place I can swim where there aren't any crocodiles?" The head man said there was, so I gave him bachshesh, and he brought me to a beautiful bay where I had a splendid bath.

"That's nice," I said, "but are you sure there are no crocodiles here?"

"No, no crocodile," said the man, "shark drive him out."

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**THE APATHETIC VOTER.**

The majority of the people of New Zealand were no more in favour of No-license than were the people of Australia (remarked Mr. E. Nordon, secretary of the Canterbury L.V.A., in the course of an address on the other side). The trouble was the apathetic voter, who didn't care, till it was too late, and his liberty was lost. They should wake that man up. He didn't know what proportion of that class of men there was here, but he knew that there were more than there should be. If they did wake them up and got them to the poll, the great bulk of those votes would be on the side of liberty. In New Zealand his party had gone thoroughly into the question of organisation, and if they cared to send someone over there for a couple of weeks before next election he (Mr Nordon) would be only too pleased to have him as his guest.

Mr J. Fairbairn, proprietor of the Occidental Hotel, Wellington, and Mrs Fairbairn, left by the Atua last week on a trip to the Islands.

It is a significant fact that the countries and nations that have the severest and most stringent laws of prohibitive character have a far greater amount of drunkenness proportionately, than have the countries that attempt not to hedge men with narrow restrictions. "The least law is the best law" would seem to apply here, where statistics show that Germany, Denmark, and Belgium, which throw no restrictions in the way of men, possess a far more sober population, dishonoured by a far less percentage of drunkenness, than England, Sweden, and, increasingly, the United States, which has been passing law upon law to prevent men from drinking.—Rabbi Hirschberg, Milwaukee.

The little three-year-old daughter of Mr. W. Dennerly, proprietor of the Pacific Hotel, Thames, had a miraculous escape from a terrible death the other day. She attempted to cross the rails just as the train was coming. There was a shriek of horror as the cow-catcher struck the child,

but fortunately it tossed the little one clear of the rails. The child was knocked into the mud, and beyond a few bruises, was none the worse for her perilous adventure. The engine was pulled up almost within its own length.

At a recent banquet of the Pennsylvania (U.S.A.) State Hotel Association, former Attorney-General W. U. Hensel, said: "The character of the hotel depends upon the character of the man who conducts it." In other words, a man of character petitions the court to run a hote and, if granted the license, the place soon reflects the character of the man in charge. In like manner the man is "it"—not the building.

The New Zealand-bred Gunboat recently shipped to India has arrived at his destination in good health. Gunboat is a gelding and should be good for several seasons.

The withdrawal of Okaihau from the C.J.C. Grand National Steeplechase would evidently mean that all is not well with the son of Salvdan.

The fine looking colt Antiphone is going along the right way under P. Jones' care at Ellerslie.

E. J. Rae has taken La Reina and Tui Cakobau on to Riccarton. La Reina was bodily left at the post at Wellington in her only race, while Tui Cakobau did not sport silk.

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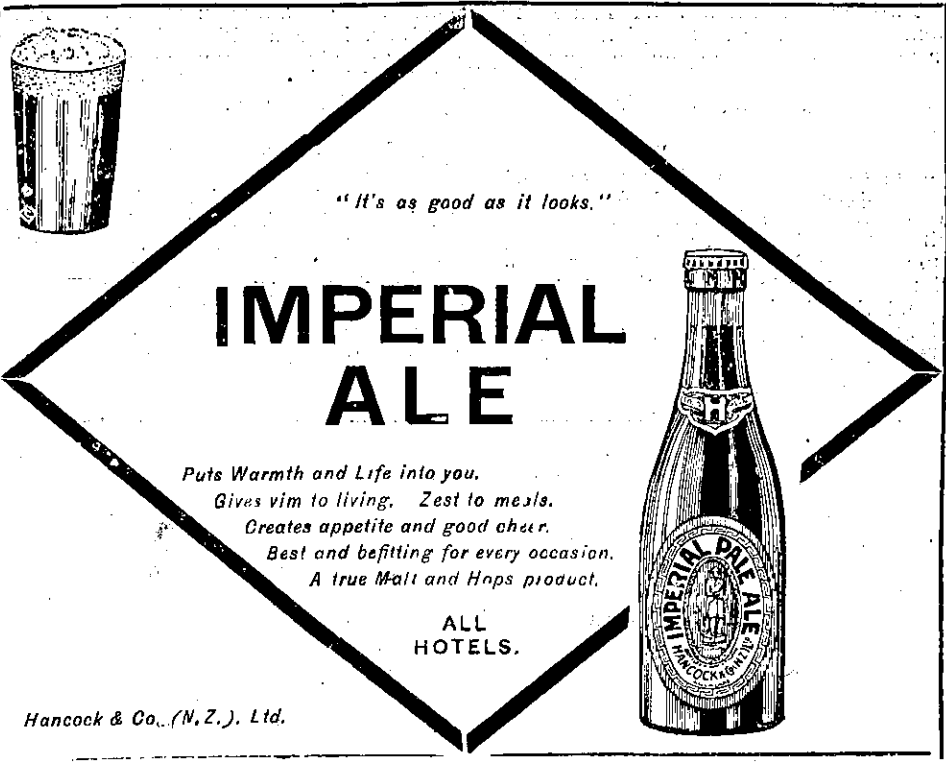
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**HERE AND THERE.**

At a meeting of the Oroua Licensing Committee on Saturday the application of Mr W. S. Poole was granted for the temporary transfer of his license of the Kimbolton Hotel to Mrs Jane Adams, late of the Cafe de Paris, Palmerston North.

Two arrests have been made in connection with alleged spirit broaching at the Oruanui siding on the Taupo Totara Timber Company's railway line. The pillaging of spirits on a considerable scale has been carried on for a long time, but the police have hitherto been unable to catch the offenders. The constable, after a search, found implements for tapping the casks. Recently a cask of spirits was broached, and the consignee examining it after delivery found that it had been filled up with dirty water. Further developments are expected.

ected considerable improvements to his hotel, and it now ranks amongst the best on the coast. The present proprietor has always conducted the house well, and those who have stayed at the Commercial have nothing but praise for the management of the establishment.

Prohibitionists are the most ungrateful people on earth. They refuse to let the men who mine their coal, who load their vessels and their cars, and who do all the manual labour of the country in sweltering hot weather, have a glass of stimulants. But why should they be our slave-drivers in this "land of the free?"—American Exchange.

Mr D. J. Cooper, licensee of the Shakespere Hotel, and Mr Maurice O'Connor, of the Thistle Hotel, have purchased the Shakespere Hotel from the present owner, Mrs T. Foley, of Mount Eden. The purchase price was £15,500. The hotel, which is a brick building of three storeys containing 30 rooms, has a frontage to Albert Street of 49ft, and to Wynd-

convicted on the previous day of sly grog-selling, was charged with this offence. Counsel for accused contended that, according to the Telegraphs Act, it must be shown that a telegram was sent wrongfully, and he claimed that anyone going under an alias could sign by that name without infringing the Act. The magistrate (Mr F. O. B. Loughnan) said that the purpose of using a false name was an illegal one—namely, to mislead the Clerk of the Court regarding the destination of liquor, and was therefore wrongful in a technical sense. Had the sender been known generally by an assumed name, no offence against the telegraph regulations would have been committed by his using it. He fined accused 10s, with costs. The case is regarded by the police as important, since fictitious names are frequently used in ordering drink.

Judgment was delivered by Mr Thompson, S.M., in the case in which William J. White, of White's Hotel, Foxton, was sued, as a licensee, for permitting the sale of liquor to a Na-

Methylated spirits as a drink seems to be becoming more and more popular in Ashburton. The other day Constable Kidd noticed a man, who appeared to be recovering from a drinking bout, emerge from a chemist's shop carrying a bottle of methylated spirits. Asked by the constable what he intended doing with the stuff, the man replied to the effect that he had been drinking, and was going to use it as a "reviver," whereupon the officer promptly "arrested" the bottle.

The licensee of the Royal Tiger Hotel, Margaret McIntosh, was charged in the Magistrate's Court, Wellington, on Monday, with having employed an unregistered barmaid. The case for the prosecution was that Miss Millie Wilson, the bookkeeper, was detected by the police serving in the bar. This was admitted by Mr Wilford, who conducted the defence, but the point raised was that she was serving in the private bar, which did not open on the street, and was not a bar as defined in the Act. The magistrate, Mr W. G. Riddell, dismissed the information.

It is indeed remarkable, says the Wellington "Post," that, even when not hampered by the present abnormal conditions, our Parliaments seem to have made it a rule that the first session of a Parliament is not the proper time for a Licensing Bill. 1893, 1895, 1904, and 1910—these are the salient dates in the licensing legislation of the last twenty years. In three cases out of the four the work was done in the second session, the exception being in 1893, when the choice fell on the third.

A North of Ireland orator in a Scottish county constituency has just sought to ingratiate himself with his audience at the outset thus:—"Gentlemen, I am an Irishman. I am proud to be an Irishman, but I am not ashamed to admit that I have a drop of Scotch in me." And for fully a minute he could not understand what the uproar was about.

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A man named George L. Johnston was fined £50 and costs £6 10s at the Taumarunui S.M. Court for sly-grog selling. The magistrate commented severely on the offence as a particularly bad case.

Mr William Traill, late of the Wairarapa, and well-known in connection with the N.Z. Permanent Artillery, has recently come into possession of the Red Lion Hotel, Taylorville, Wanganui. Mr Traill's many sporting friends will be glad to know that the hotel is fast becoming a firm favourite.

Opotiki, on the East Coast, is making steady progress, and the three hotels there are almost always full. They are all good houses, and are at the present time well conducted. The Masonic is now run by Mr Henry Johnston, and is a most comfortable place at which to stay. It is a free house, and patrons can rely on getting the best liquors procurable.

At the Magistrate's Court, Wellington, Mr Riddell gave reserved judgment in the case of Matthew Livingstone, charged with being a bookmaker in that he had made a bet in an hotel. Defendant denied making the bet, and said he had not carried on the occupation of bookmaker for two years. A fine of £20 was imposed.

Mr W. Regan, of the Commercial Hotel, Whakatane, has recently ef-

ham Street of 46ft, and occupies about eight perches of ground. Taking the Albert Street frontage, and estimating the cost of the structure at £7000, the price per foot works out at about £173 9s. 4d.

A test case was brought by the police at Taumarunui on Thursday last respecting the order of liquor by telegraph under an assumed name. The man Johnston, who was

tive for removal. The sale was made by a barmaid to Tohunga Hingawata Tuparoa, concerned in an alleged assault case, while White was absent from Foxton. The barmaid had already been fined £5 and costs on the two charges, and the magistrate now held that the licensee was legally responsible, even although the sale was made against his orders, and fined him £2 and costs on each of the two charges.



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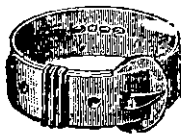
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London, which leads the world in its lowness of infant mortality, has 9000 milkshops, but it also has 9000 public-houses, says Mr John Burns.

Mr and Mrs H. McManaway, who have disposed of their interest in the Feilding Hotel, intend spending a holiday tour in Australia.

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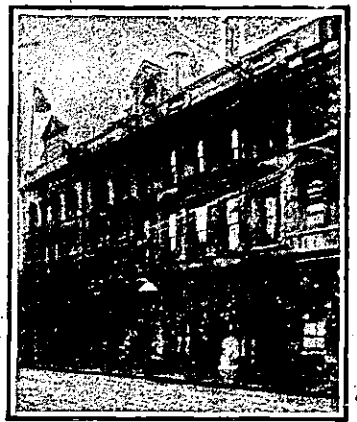
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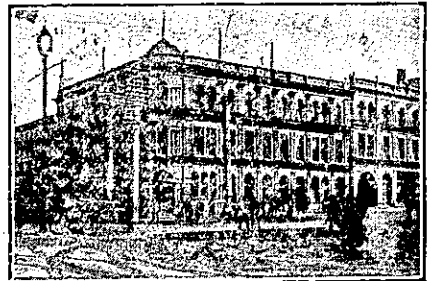
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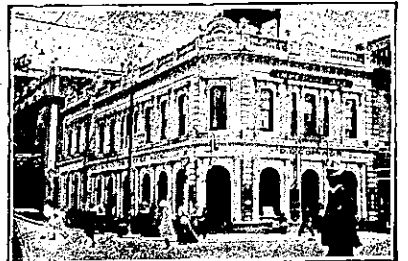


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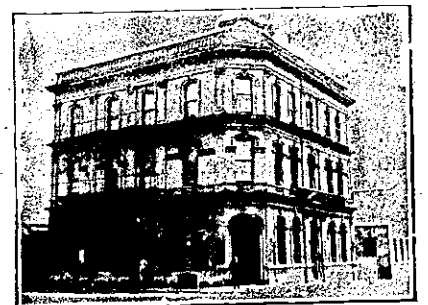
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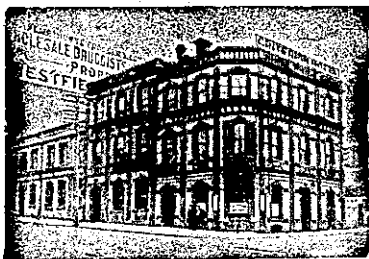
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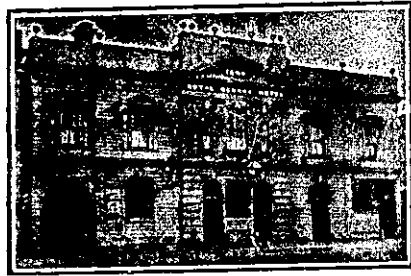
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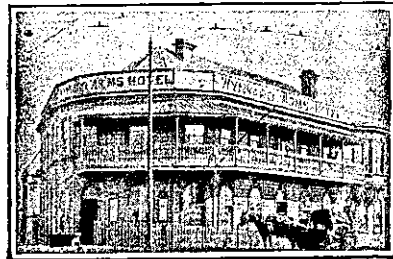
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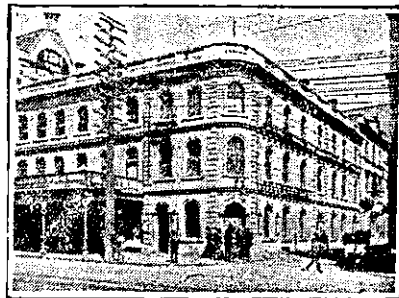


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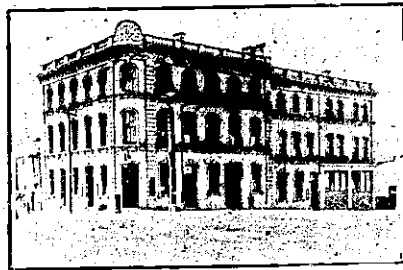
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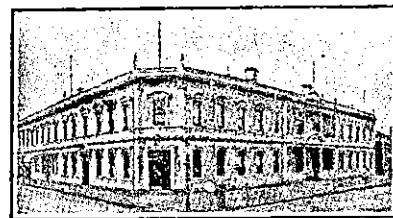
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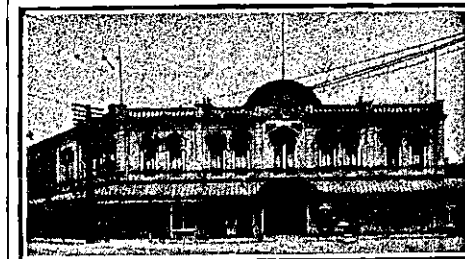
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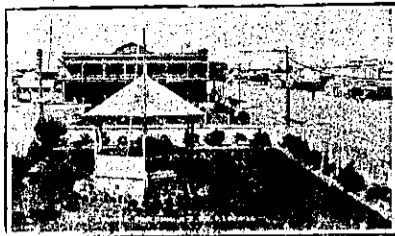


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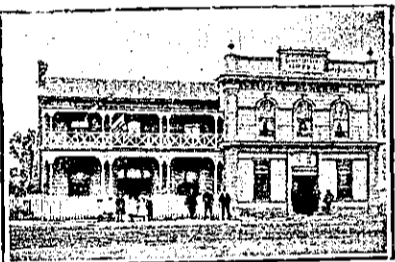


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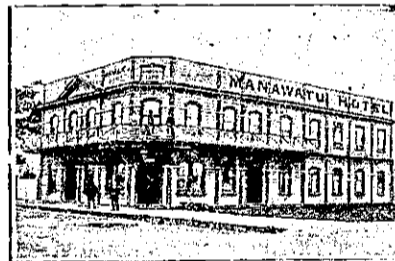


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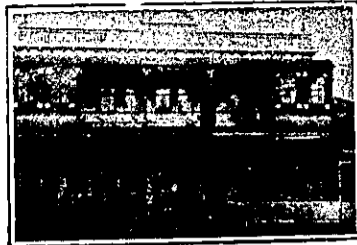
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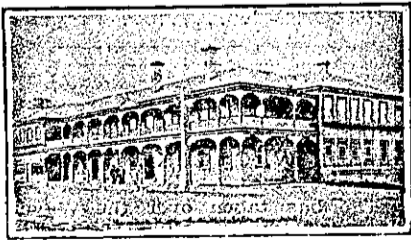
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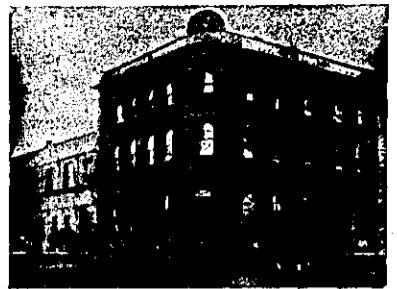
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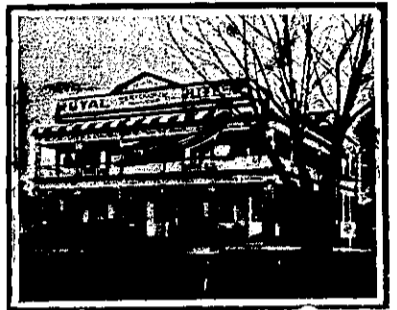
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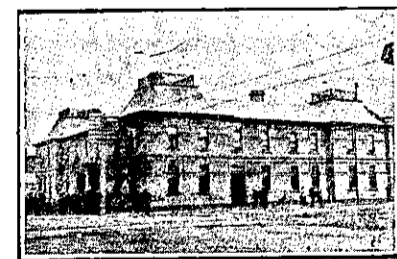
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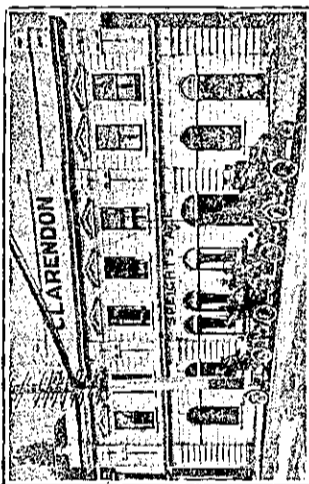


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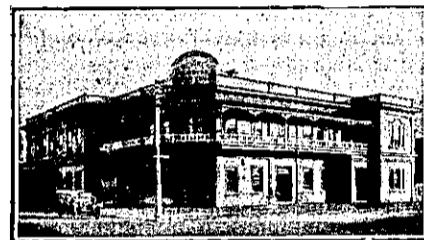
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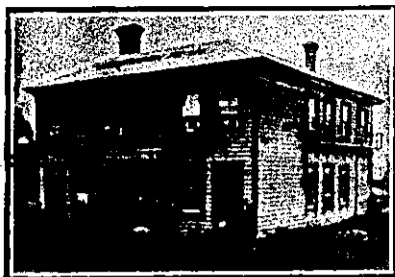
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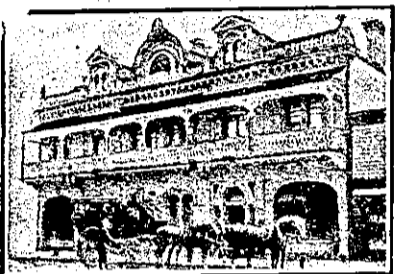


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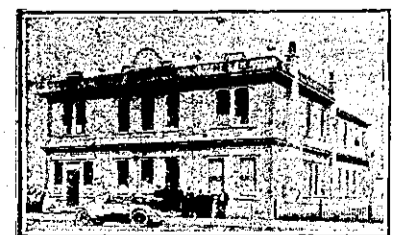
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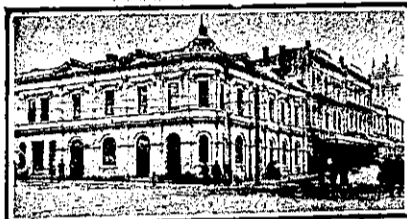
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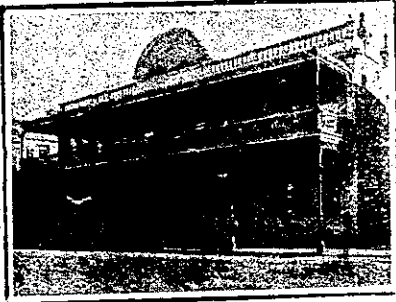
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