

Miscellaneous Items

The Metropole Hotel, Akaroa, which is a favourite house of call among travellers, is now under the proprietorship of Mr. W. Nickolls, well-known throughout New Zealand in connection with the hotel business. The Metropole enjoys a central site, being in the centre of the town near the post office, banks, waterfront, etc. and is an ideal house for those making a holiday at this favourite resort. Mr. Nickolls, who is a most obliging host, spares no pains in making visitors enjoy themselves, and is always ready to give information as to trips worth undertaking and sights to be seen in and around Akaroa. Motor cars can be arranged for on the premises, and everything possible is done to assure the comfort of guests.

From January 1 to April 3 of this year an amateur, Mr. F. B. Rees, was leading in the list of successful cross-country riders in England. He had won 39 of the 103 races in which he had ridden. Of the professionals, E. Piggott was first with 28 wins out of 79 mounts, closely pressed by W. Smith (87 mounts, 26 wins) and G. Duller (74 mounts, 23 wins). Up to the date mentioned Mr. J. R. Anthony (Troytown's jockey) had ridden in 97 races for 23 wins.

Mr. A. W. Butt, president of the Australian Club, who is leaving New Zealand on an extended tour, was entertained in Wellington, by members of the club. During the evening he was presented with a boomerang, suitably inscribed.

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