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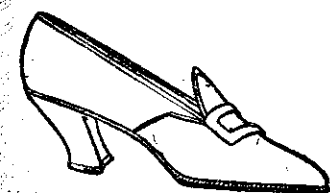
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SPORTING.

Northwind was bought for £29 by Silverspire Boyle after running second to Glenisla in the Birchwood Steeplechase.

The amateur horsemen had the pull over professionals at Otatau on Wednesday, for they won all six races.

All the Riverton and Winton trainers were in attendance at the Hunt meeting on Wednesday. They were keen critics of the amateur-trained horses.

Charlie Church without his red coat, an unpardonable omission at a Hunt Club meeting, acted as clerk of the course on Wednesday. Charlie is farming now.

The fields were very poor on Wednesday, three horses being the best except in the Hack Steeple, when four went to the first fence.

The steeplechase fences on Wednesday were a bit on the light side for hunters, and several of the brush fences were easily knocked out.

Two four-to-one favourites in Lady Buller and Dalminie, were downed on Wednesday. Each finished third in a three-horse race.

In the language of my friend Bill Stone the field for the next New Zealand Cup with about half a dozen exceptions is "rough but homely."

The hurdle race at Otatau was a fiasco, and on the mile track the three starters were placed at almost even distances right round the course at the finish.

The Winton Jockey Club's ball in memory of fallen members last Friday night was a huge success, but as I was not amongst the expected guests that evening, I can only speak from hearsay.

The conduct and general management of the Birchwood Hunt Meeting reflected credit upon all concerned. It was clean sport what there was of it, and no sign of any bookmakers present.

Captain French was dinkum dead at the Hunt meeting. He stood off too far and toppled over, breaking his neck. Hard luck for his owner, who is a good sport, and very fond of a good jumper.

Mick Gonley wielded the flag at the Hunt Club gathering in good style. He got his fields away in even order, and once they arrived at the post he did not delay long.

The wealth of the Otatau district was well represented in motor cars at the Strathmore course on Wednesday. There must have been at least eight or ten to every racehorse on the course.

Golden Link, who won both six furlong sprints at the Hunt Meeting hails from Eastern Bush, and was much too good for the opposition. They say he can jump, but was not qualified as a hunter so couldn't start in the steeplechase.

Bill Stone has bought Checkmate from Sir George Clifford. In his place he should be a useful addition to Eleus, Silver Peak, and Co., and the Digger can safely leave it in Alex's hands to place him well.

Glenisla gave a great exhibition of jumping in both of his races, and never put a foot wrong during the five circuits of the course he was called on to cover. His condition was much superior to that of any of his opponents.

The Hunt Meeting was a pleasant little picnic affair, not many people nor many horses, but plenty of jumping and fun. The fixture was well managed and very punctually got off. Secretary Matheson knows his job all right, and can run a meeting with the best of them.

Frank Boyle soon quitted Lady Buller after she let him down in the first hack race on Wednesday. She ran so badly that he let her go for a tanner after the race. Unless Buller is altogether a freak, the blood should be well worth a ten pound note.

Quite a number of leading sportsmen from the Otatau district were much more interested in the result of the Otago v. Southland football match than in the

A little more publicity regarding the nominations for the Hunt meeting would have probably brought better gate returns.

The Otatau course has been ploughed up, and the Hunt races were run on a very fair track on the inside of the course proper.

Birchwood Hunt Meeting on Wednesday. Many of their smiling faces were absent from the Strathmore course, but I wonder had the meeting been a totalisator fixture if they would have bothered the gatemens at a football match?

North Wind, ridden by Digger Joe Taylor, put up a good run against Glenisla in the Birchwood Hunt steeplechase, and with a little more condition might have troubled the pony at the finish. He out-jumped Glenisla at every fence, but covered a good deal more ground going to his fences on the bend.

The officials at the Hunt meeting were efficient in carrying out their duties, and at the same time found plenty of time to be hospitable to their visitors. I think everyone who went out to Otatau on Wednesday thoroughly enjoyed the outing. The weather was perfect.

The judicial committee appeared to have some doubt about the genuineness of the run-off of Northwind in the Hurdle Race at the Hunt Meeting, and I don't think their doubts were without good grounds, but in the finish they gave the rider the benefit of the doubt, and told him not to do it again.

It is little meetings like the Hunt fixture where one sees clean sport, that bring out the untried hacks about the district. I did not see either a New Zealand Cup nor Grand National winner amongst the lot, but both North Wind and the double winner Golden Link might win again and when conditioned in much better company.

Glenisla was the hero of the Birchwood Hunt Meeting on Wednesday, winning three out of six races on the programme. Opinions were very divided about the sportsmanship of her owner starting him the third time, more especially as he had just had a solid run of three miles over country, hence the usual applause given to a good horse when he wins was withheld by some of the crowd.

Like sodgers, all hunting men love the ladies, and there was a very keen go for the Ladies' Bracelet on Wednesday afternoon. Dalminie was a hot favourite and led from Glenisla for a mile, then Salute moved up, and a furlong from the box all three were together, being ridden hard. Dalminie was first to cry enough and Salute looked a winner ten yards from the judge, but she, too, was very tired, and Glenisla's condition and courage landed his owner's girl the first prize bracelet by a length, after easily the best race of the day.

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