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THINGS IN GENERAL. AMERICA AND CANADA. SOME IMPORTANT POINTS. The American newspapers have received Mr Bryce with the very warmest expressions of goodwill, and if the journalism of the States was a reflection of the intentions of Congress, as well as a reflection of public opinion, there would be every prospect of an early settlement of all questions outstanding between the great North American neighbours. At the Te Aroha Police Court, eleven parents were fined for not sending their children to school regularly. Amongst the offenders was the chairman of the Waioarongomai School Committee. The Southern Times states that the good authority for saying that the transfers are shortly to be made in the Post-Telegraph service the number of officials concerned being mentioned as 300. At a meeting of the Auckland Education Board Mr George George was authorised to purchase a graphophone outfit for speed shorthand purposes for the Auckland Technical School, at a cost of £50. A Christchurch telegram states that a boy named Chrisp was brought to the hospital suffering from an abscess in his throat. Immediately after his admission the abscess broke, and the boy died in a few minutes. A woman named Mrs Eva Millett, together with her mother, Mrs Moore, and her daughter Olga, were found poisoned by a gas escape in a room at Paddington (Sydney). The woman is dead. There was a great demand for our sporting extra issued on Saturday, and more than the usual amount of local interest was taken in the events. To-day the local horse Bikiaki makes his first appearance at a metropolitan meeting as a hurdler. At a meeting of bee-keepers at Christchurch it was decided that a Canterbury Bee-keepers' Association should be formed, with the object of promoting humane and profitable bee-keeping throughout Canterbury and generally in New Zealand. Zadiel in his prognostications for 1907, published in August last year, forecasted political and physical disturbances in 74 degrees E. longitude—the longitude of that part of India now seriously disturbed by seditious natives. Our Auckland correspondent writes—"A Maori named Hew New Tahua, was arrested by Detectives McMahon and Fahy on the charge of theft at Kihikihi on the 18th of April last, of a cheque for £115 16s, and £85 in cash, the property of another native named Whiwhi. Autumn millinery. Special display Saturday.—Miss Martin.—Advt.

eighteen months on the unpreparedness of the country for war, it seems desirable to endeavour to clear up the doubts that have been expressed as to the objects of the National Service League and to the precise interpretation of the words 'National Service' and 'Conscription.' Then comes this solemn warning: 'In the face of the great competition for world power we should indeed be imprudent to rely solely for national security on the traditions of our naval superiority, and to defer all attempts to perfect our fighting machine until the finger of fate points irrevocably to the penalty of disaster that awaits a people who, in time of ease and prosperity, refuse to be warned or to take the most ordinary precautions.' If his warning is disregarded, Lord Roberts promises Britain no uncertain doom: 'If we persist in taking no count of our wider responsibilities, and in ignoring the growing naval and military development of nations which is strategically across our line of communication or whose borders are practically continuous with our own; and if we hold on to the fallacy that any attempt to recognise our military system is to encourage 'militarism,' I think we could hardly be surprised if we were brought not only to the verge of war itself, but to war, and war with disastrous results.' In conclusion Lord Roberts explains what he means by an Army 'raised by the free and uncontrolled vote' of the entire nation. 'It is the Army,' he says, 'not of a despot, but of the nation; and, as a nation's Army, or, rather, as a nation in arms, its very nature is a warranty of peace whenever peace is consistent with national honour and the sacred duty of protecting the Fatherland.'

LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS. The sharemarket is quiet. Sales to-day were confined to Waiotahi at 23s and Tairua Broken Hills at 3s 11d. A fair number of buyers are appearing, but prices show no change. The Rev. S. Henderson exchanged pulpits with the Rev. Mr Lyon, of Auckland, yesterday. Government is endeavouring to revive interest in Arbor Day, which will be observed on July 24th. Another dividend of 1s 3d in the Waiotahi Comm. was declared to-day, payable on Wednesday. Second day's racing of the Auckland winter meeting taking place at Ellerslie this afternoon. The hockey match, Hauraki Rifles v. Hauraki, was won by the latter by two goals to one after a very close and exciting game.

The New Zealand Times says: We have good authority for stating that the trouble between the dairy factory hands and the factories of Tamaki will probably be shortly settled in an amicable manner. The men have stated their demands—which are of a reasonable character, principally in the direction of winter holidays—and a conference of delegates from the labor union and from the co-operative factory-directorates is to be held in a few days to consider the position. Things were somewhat lively yesterday at what may be termed one of the coastal settlements near the Thames. There was an exciting time for an interval and it looked as though considerable damage was going to be inflicted on the crockery. However, there was a little blood-letting and things assumed a gory aspect. The incident concluded by one of the contestants departing with the coveted bag, which appeared to be the bone of contention, and it is hoped that better counsel will prevail.

The Battalion Band under Bandmaster A. Clarke, played the undermentioned programme of music in the Victoria Reserve yesterday afternoon:—Contest march, 'Dundee Naval' (T. E. Bule); sacred fantasia, 'Sacred Gums' (T. E. Bule); selection, 'Carmelite' (S. Copp); march, 'Gloria in Excelsis' (air by L. Round); hymn, 'Lead us Kindly Light' (Rev. Dyer); sacred selection, 'Peace be Still'; march, 'O.H.M.S.' (Ord Hume); 'God Save the King.'

Mr R. Maclean, who is well and favorably known at Thames, returned by this morning's steamer after an absence from the district of 3 years. Mr Maclean, who was in the engineering works of Messrs Price Bros, left to take up a position abroad, and as engineer on one of the American liners, has travelled a good deal. He has made many trips between New York and the Old Country, and has circumnavigated the globe more than once. Returning to New Zealand on a holiday trip Mr Maclean came by way of the Mediterranean, Suez, and Australia. Mr Maclean, who has made rapid strides in his profession, received a hearty welcome from his many friends. In a district 'way back' from Thames a gundigger went on a wild and nerve-shaking jaunt. He had evidently become satiated with the taste of the frothing beer and the sparkling whisky and soda, and he started off to pile up history on pain-killer. He stored in painkiller by the case and when he thought that he had a sufficiently large store of reserve ammunition he sailed forth from his citadel, to wit, his whare, and proceeded to 'let her go.' On the first day he exhausted himself with word dances and joyful ditties; on the second he grew savage and tried to smite the fairies of the bush, fencing imaginary duels with his spear; on the third he made a torch of the whare and woke up in the morning drenched to the skin; on the fourth he wandered aimlessly round looking for his lost home, and his beloved painkiller; the fifth brought wandering reason back; on the sixth day he understood the position and proceeded to build himself another home; while on the seventh he again started to dig for gain! People say there is no place like home, but there's no place like Whiwhi for 'blonkets and flannels.'—Advt.

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Football at Thames. SATURDAY'S MATCHES. The Cup matches were continued at Parawai on Saturday, the senior game being between Suburbs and County and the junior game between City and County. In the senior competition Suburbs showed decidedly improved form, and though the team was weakened by the absence of one or two players they managed to hold their own, and after a good game victory rested with the Suburbs by 3 points (a try secured by Houghton) to nil. This also represented the score in the junior match. City and County fought out a good game, and the only score was a try registered by E. Constant, which placed the City players three points to the good, and this was the score when the game ended. In the school competitions Kaunaraunga beat Waio-Karaka by 5 points to nil, after a well contested game, while Parawai and Tararu played a draw. Notes and comments on play and players will appear in Saturday's supplement; also an interesting original article 'The History of Football.' WINS FOR CITY, PARNELL, AND PONSONBY. (Per United Press Association.) AUCKLAND, This Day. Pousouby beat Grafton by 56 to 0. Tries were scored by Kenyon (3), Cunningham (2), Phillips (2), Francis (3), and Dellamora (1). Cunningham converted five, and Gillet kicked a goal from the field. Parnell beat Newton by 24 points to 0. Hogan, Twinnans (2), Fox, and Todd (2) scored tries. Todd converted three tries. City (19) beat North Shore nil. Mackrell, F. Magee, McIlhonne, Glad-Geing, R. Magee scored tries. F. McGeing converted two tries. PUBLIC SCHOOL MATCHES. Onehunga 50, Normal School 0. Pousouby 46, Grafton 0. Parnell 6, Nelson Street 0. Newton East 3, Beresford 3. Napier Street 6, Pitt Street 3. Richmond Street 11, Mt. Eden 0. Newmarket won by default from Ellerslie. During a football match on the Domain, a young man named Wells, playing for Austral Club, collided with another player and sustained severe injuries. THE CUP COMPETITION, SUBURBS LEADING. The following is the position of the competing teams:— Suburbs: Played 3, won 2, drawn 1, lost 0, points for 8, against nil. City: Played 2, won 1, lost 1, points for 12, against 5. County: Played 3, lost 2, drawn 1, points for 0, points against 15. Hockey at Thames. SATURDAY'S MATCH. The second round of the Thames Hockey Association championship matches was brought to a close on Saturday afternoon last, when Hauraki Rifles and Hauraki met to try conclusion. The game was no doubt one of the fastest seen at Parawai, each team entered the field knowing they would have to do their very best if they were to achieve success. From the 'bally-off' play was made very fast, the ball travelling up and down the field at a great rate, neither side gaining any advantage over the other until about 15 minutes had gone, when Hauraki forwards broke away and after a splendid effort on the part of all players, L. Griffin shot the first goal. This score stimulated the players to greater efforts, every man doing his utmost for his side. After giving his take play Rifles got the ball to Hauraki circle, and a scramble saw the ball shot through by Martin Hauraki 1, Rifles 1. The second spell was a repetition of the first, being fast right through. Hauraki was fortunate enough to get a second goal scored by S. Driver, after repeated efforts on the part of all the forwards, ably supported by their backs. Rifles strived hard to make things equal, but the defence was too good, although some capital rushes were indulged in by the forwards. The game ended in a win for Hauraki by 2 to 1. Mr S. Ferguson kept the game well under control. The following is the present position of clubs:—

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Football at Thames. SATURDAY'S MATCHES. The Cup matches were continued at Parawai on Saturday, the senior game being between Suburbs and County and the junior game between City and County. In the senior competition Suburbs showed decidedly improved form, and though the team was weakened by the absence of one or two players they managed to hold their own, and after a good game victory rested with the Suburbs by 3 points (a try secured by Houghton) to nil. This also represented the score in the junior match. City and County fought out a good game, and the only score was a try registered by E. Constant, which placed the City players three points to the good, and this was the score when the game ended. In the school competitions Kaunaraunga beat Waio-Karaka by 5 points to nil, after a well contested game, while Parawai and Tararu played a draw. Notes and comments on play and players will appear in Saturday's supplement; also an interesting original article 'The History of Football.' WINS FOR CITY, PARNELL, AND PONSONBY. (Per United Press Association.) AUCKLAND, This Day. Pousouby beat Grafton by 56 to 0. Tries were scored by Kenyon (3), Cunningham (2), Phillips (2), Francis (3), and Dellamora (1). Cunningham converted five, and Gillet kicked a goal from the field. Parnell beat Newton by 24 points to 0. Hogan, Twinnans (2), Fox, and Todd (2) scored tries. Todd converted three tries. City (19) beat North Shore nil. Mackrell, F. Magee, McIlhonne, Glad-Geing, R. Magee scored tries. F. McGeing converted two tries. PUBLIC SCHOOL MATCHES. Onehunga 50, Normal School 0. Pousouby 46, Grafton 0. Parnell 6, Nelson Street 0. Newton East 3, Beresford 3. Napier Street 6, Pitt Street 3. Richmond Street 11, Mt. Eden 0. Newmarket won by default from Ellerslie. During a football match on the Domain, a young man named Wells, playing for Austral Club, collided with another player and sustained severe injuries. THE CUP COMPETITION, SUBURBS LEADING. The following is the position of the competing teams:— Suburbs: Played 3, won 2, drawn 1, lost 0, points for 8, against nil. City: Played 2, won 1, lost 1, points for 12, against 5. County: Played 3, lost 2, drawn 1, points for 0, points against 15. Hockey at Thames. SATURDAY'S MATCH. The second round of the Thames Hockey Association championship matches was brought to a close on Saturday afternoon last, when Hauraki Rifles and Hauraki met to try conclusion. The game was no doubt one of the fastest seen at Parawai, each team entered the field knowing they would have to do their very best if they were to achieve success. From the 'bally-off' play was made very fast, the ball travelling up and down the field at a great rate, neither side gaining any advantage over the other until about 15 minutes had gone, when Hauraki forwards broke away and after a splendid effort on the part of all players, L. Griffin shot the first goal. This score stimulated the players to greater efforts, every man doing his utmost for his side. After giving his take play Rifles got the ball to Hauraki circle, and a scramble saw the ball shot through by Martin Hauraki 1, Rifles 1. The second spell was a repetition of the first, being fast right through. Hauraki was fortunate enough to get a second goal scored by S. Driver, after repeated efforts on the part of all the forwards, ably supported by their backs. Rifles strived hard to make things equal, but the defence was too good, although some capital rushes were indulged in by the forwards. The game ended in a win for Hauraki by 2 to 1. Mr S. Ferguson kept the game well under control. The following is the present position of clubs:—

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Prize of £1000 unclaimed at San Francisco. The Prince of Wales celebrated his 42nd birthday to-day. The estate of Sir A. J. Cadman has been estimated for stamp duty at £22,010. All accounts against the New Eolipse Gold Mining Co. (in liquidation) are to be forwarded to Mr H. Gillfillan, jr., liquidator, not later than Monday, June 10th, after which date they will not be recognised. Mrs Tomlinson, headmistress of the Infant Department at Bolton, England, is at present on a visit to the Thames. Mrs Tomlinson, who is staying at Mr W. D. Reid's, leaves the Thames shortly to return to England as she will resume her duties at Bolton in October. The trustees of the Thames Hospital meet as usual this evening for the transaction of business. The matter of the erection of a home or shelter sheds for the treatment of consumptives and those suffering from miners' complaints will probably be advanced a stage. Of the Waihi dividend about £25,000 will be distributed in New Zealand. Of the Tairua dividend, over £20,000 remains in the colony, as £20,000 shares are now held locally. This week the Waiotahi dividend will be payable, so that about £45,000 will be paid altogether to New Zealand shareholders in the three companies. Quite a freak in the game line was shot on Messrs McDougall's property at Otamarakau, when Mr J. Kerr, of Te Puke, brought down a cock pheasant, the feathers of which are pure white, with the exception of a few black ones to be found on the neck. It is intended to have the novelty stuffed and mounted by a taxidermist. It is stated in Dunedin that there is still a strong feeling among the Benevolent Trustees that the Chinese receiving relief should be sent home to China. The only trouble is the question of expense, but there seems little doubt that if the Chinese can provide half the cost of the passage money the trustees will see to the rest. During the stay of the Australian Squadron at Auckland Chief Petty Officer Norman, of H.M.S. Powerful, with a comrade, paid a visit to the Thames. Norman, who hails from North Devon, has friends at Thames, from whom he received a cordial reception. He was much interested in the mining industries and the methods of gold extraction.

The local Stock Exchange was closed to-day, but the Auckland market was open. To-day's quotations will be found in another column. The New Plymouth Borough Council has accepted a tender of £1979 for the erection of a library, for which Mr Andrew Carnegie has granted £2500. A dance will be held at the Odd-fellows Hall, Kirkwood street, on Thursday, 6th June, at 8 o'clock. A friend will be admitted on recommendation of holders of invitations. The townspeople of Hastings donated over £100 to the Fire Brigade, to be divided among the members in recognition of the good work done by them in the recent fire. At the opening of the Auckland Poultry Grading Depot, Mr D. D. Hyde urged the importance of sending in good-quality poultry, pointing out that it cost no more to feed a good bird than it did to feed a 'duffer.' In referring to the shooting records of the British Navy, the annual report of the Navy League states that in 1904 there were 2000 more misses than hits; in 1906 there were 2000 more hits than misses. The Great Northern Steeplechase of 7500s, run at Ellerslie to-day, was won by Kaitere, the top weight, who carried 12st 13lbs. Waitarere was second, and Khama third. The winner, who made a splendid run in the last furlong, paid a dividend of £7 12s. It is reported that many of the labourers employed on the co-operative works around Ohakune are leaving on account of the cold weather experienced. They are willing to stop if Government will pay them for off days. Lord Ranfurly in a letter to a Wellington resident, says he was present when Sir Joseph Ward and other colonial Premiers were presented with the freedom of the City of London. It was remarkable, adds his Lordship, to see Dr. Jameson sitting beside General Botha, and behind General Botha was Lord Roberts—a curious trio.

Referring to the approaching races at Wanganui, during a mission, one of the reverend fathers said that no doubts they were all wondering what horses would win, and he offered to give them the best tip he could give. 'The horse to back,' he said, 'is Savings Bank. He never loses, and if you stick to him he will pay good divvys.' The total number of animals slaughtered under direct inspection in New Zealand last year was as follows: Cattle, 116,414; calves, 10,772; sheep, 1,897,118; lambs, 2,544,999; swine, 72,573. The animals condemned were as follows: Cattle, 2066; calves, 110; sheep, 2303; lambs, 908; swine, 637. A large number were also partially condemned, particularly in swine. The June issue of 'The Lone Hand' is superior to the first one. It has a new cover designed by Harry Weston, and the contents are more varied and attractive looking. An excellent sketch on David Syme, of the 'Age,' Melbourne, with the only photograph he has ever set for, is included. J. T. Archibald's Memoirs continue brightly. Someone writes on the Bar of Victoria, and there is also an interview with Nellie Stewart. Stories there are both long and short, and such as Edward Dyson ('Two Batters and a Bear'); Ethel Turner ('Widening the Horizon'); Albert Dorrington ('An Australian Working Station'); G. B. Launceston ('A Job for the Parson'); the first of an interesting series entitled, 'Secrets of a Prime Minister.' The illustrations are first-class. It is stated that the progress of titlement in the Robe Potae, or what is more popularly known as the King country, is greatly retarded by the present laws relating to Maori land, and by their administration giving rise to dissensions between the existing conditions and the Government policy. It is stated that the settlers are prevented from proceeding with the road-construction owing to the roads passing through Maori land, as they do not feel disposed to go to the expense of constructing roads for the benefit of native owners who are not contributing to the cost. The settlers consider that the Government should either construct these roads or provide a means of raising Maori lands.

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