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A Court is now selling off the whole of his winter stock at a ridiculous sacrifice. He claims it is better to give them away than to keep them over to get out of date.—Adv.

Hockey Match.

THAMES V. WAIHI.

On Saturday a team representing the local Hockey Association journeyed to Waihi to try conclusion with a team representing that district. The Thames players left by the morning train, arriving in Waihi at 1.30 p.m., and soon after the game commenced. The Waihi players were captained by Dr. Guinness, while Rev. Williams acted in like manner for the visitors. There was a large attendance of spectators, especially of the fair sex, who kindly provided afternoon tea for the members of both teams and their friends. The game throughout was very evenly contested. In the first spell the local players were the first to score. From a forward rush, headed by Roberts, Bux, and Dr. Guinness, the former succeeded in driving the ball between the posts, amidst loud applause. This put the Thames players on their mettle, and soon after the visitors, headed by A. Martin, Renshaw, Comer, and Rev. Williams, carried the ball along the field, and Renshaw, with a splendid drive, equalised matters. The play now became very fast, both teams striving hard to score, the ball travelling from one end of the field to the other. The local players, however, were not to be denied, and Bux, by a good stroke, eluded the Thames full-back, and scored the second goal for Waihi. The second spell was very evenly contested, the defence of the backs on both sides being very good. The Thames players, with a passing run, invaded the local territory, and Renshaw, by a pretty piece of play, once more succeeded in registering a goal for the visitors. The Waihi players, who showed good combination, pressed their opponents, and with a sweeping forward rush, Roberts was the means of once more placing his side in the lead. Thames, however, warded up, and Ferguson, Martin, Renshaw, and J. Whitehead, were the means of once more equalising the score, the latter player registering the third goal for Thames. From this out, although the visitors had slightly the best of the game no further score was made, and when the game ended the goals stood three all. Mr. C. Lange, of Thames, gave every satisfaction as referee. The visitors returned to Thames by Saturday night's train, well pleased with their outing.

Fire Brigade Maintenance

The Fire Brigade Prevention Bill, a Government measure now before Parliament, if placed on our Statute Book will produce a new feature in relation to the maintenance of Fire Brigades. In the past these useful organisations have been maintained by the local bodies interested and by voluntary subscriptions; whereas, the new measure renders it obligatory upon the Insurance Companies doing business in the respective districts to contribute one half of the cost and the local authority is to find the other half of the cost of the up-keep of the Fire Brigade. It may interest local firemen to learn that under this Bill every borough with a population of 1000 or more is constituted a fire district, while any other part of the colony may be similarly constituted by Order-in-Council. A Fire Board of seven members is to be chosen in every district, three members to be appointed by the local authority or by the Governor and three by the insurance companies. The Fire Boards are to be elected in March every alternate year. Each Board elects its own chairman. In June each year the Boards will have to submit to the Minister administering the Act an estimate of expenditure, of which the Minister must approve. The amount to be contributed by each insurance company is to be in proportion to the premiums received during the preceding year; and to estimate this return must be forwarded to the Board. Local authorities may strike a special rate not exceeding three-fourths in the pound on the annual rateable value to make up their contribution, provided that in making such rate the local authority may include as rateable property all Government buildings in the fire district, and may for the purposes of such rate compute the annual value of such buildings at five per cent. of the capital value on the Government valuation roll. In addition to maintaining brigades, the Board may make regulations covering the storage of dangerous and explosive goods, and may impose a penalty of £5 for the breach of such regulations. Subject to the approval of the Minister the Board may raise loans not exceeding £1000, the loan being subject to a poll of the ratepayers. These loans may be lent by the Colonial Treasurer as to a local authority, provided that in any one year the sum shall not exceed £2000.

Bombshell for Prohibition

The feeling is growing among a certain section of the House that the Premier, in proposing to enforce prohibition of liquor for home consumption, is trying to outplay the Prohibitionists at their own game, or rather, kill them with an overdose of their own medicine. This feeling found expression in the speech of Mr. Graham, who said that the Premier's proposition is doing no good for anybody, save the lawyers. The public has to wait now until five judges can find time to get together to disentangle the most entangled piece of legislation ever placed on the statute book. The Government should bring down legislation to stop this waste of money by costly litigation and depreciation of property. As to the effect of prohibition in Ashburton, the sale of liquor to private people for private consumption recently amounted to £600. These were half the people who had voted for prohibition. They had voted for it because they were annoyed at the way the licensing laws were carried out, but they did not intend to have their own consumption done away with. The effect might be to encourage drinking more than before, and drinking by wives and children as well. The Premier's statement that under prohibition drink shall not be allowed to enter private houses was a bombshell in the Prohibition camp. The camp contained many who would say that another person should not have a drink, but when they come to be told that they would not have one, and must not have it in their own houses, the result would be that it would be very much more difficult in future that at present to carry out prohibition. Mr. C. Fisher: "What would I do if I had not a stock at home?—Post."

Local and General.

Rowing boats when accompanied by their crews will be carried free on the Government railways to Regatta.

Since Dr. McCarthy gave up the job, good rains have fallen at Broken Hill and parts of New South Wales. The upper jaw of a crocodile has been found at Tauranga, and is exciting much conjecture as to its origin. The amount of gold coin in actual circulation in the world is estimated by the Bank of England officials to be about 865 tons.

The ladies of the Paeroa and Cambridge hockey clubs will play a game at Paeroa on Thursday afternoon next, and Thames can't yet boast of a ladies team!

The Ashburton Mail learns that two of the local hotels will henceforth be run as boardinghouses, while the cellars will be converted into bacon-curing establishments.

Rumour hath it (says the Chronicle) that a flying machine will be seen in Wanganui in the near future, an English engineer having, it is said, invented such a contrivance.

According to a Stratford County Councillor, the lands in the back-blocks of Taranaki will be reassessed next year, and increases will range from 60 to 300 per cent.

The Thames football representative team to play against the Auckland representatives at Parawai next Saturday, was chosen last night, and appears in another column.

The Hawtrey Conedy Company, which is about to visit the goldfields will probably play at Thames. This is the company that introduced the "Message from Mars" comedy.

Through the streets of Berlin doctors' carriages have the right of way. Even the Emperor's carriage must pause when a doctor's vehicle is about to cut across its path.

Both Trinity and Chalmers Presbyterian Churches, Timaru, have made application to Mr. Andrew Carnegie, the multi-millionaire, for a grant in aid of their respective church funds.

It is probable that a special train will run from Paeroa to Thames next week to enable football enthusiasts from the up-country districts to witness the Auckland-Thames match.

In this issue we publish an advertisement calling for tenders for driving 200ft in the Coronation claim at Tairua. Specifications may be seen at the office of this paper. Tenders close at noon on Wednesday, the 19th.

The long suffering paterfamilias was endeavouring to read the evening paper, when his young hopeful said, "May I ask a question pa?" "Certainly," answered the patient one. "Where is the wind when it don't blow?"

Some two months ago steamers from New Zealand reported passing through miles of pumice stone some 200 miles south of Kadavu. This has now reached Levuka (Fiji), and is washing ashore in large quantities, some of the stone being remarkable for size.

The typewriting contest between the Royal Bar-Lock and Hammond machines in Dunedin resulted in a verdict for the former by 427 points to 425. The maximum points were 526, and speed was not considered. None of the numerous other makes of typewriters entered.

No. 1 Thames Rifles.

EXCURSION TO COROMANDEL.—The Thames No. 1 Rifles excursion to Coromandel, which took place on Saturday, was a very successful affair. The weather was all that could be desired, and this went a considerable way towards making the excursion such a success. The steamer left Goods Wharf about a quarter to seven and arrived at its destination a little after ten. Members of the No. 1 Thames Rifles, Hauraki Rifles, and Battalion Band were on board, and they were met on the wharf by Lieuts. Inder and Home, who escorted them as far as the Bank of New Zealand, where the companies and band were dismissed. A brake was in waiting, and took the members of the Thames No. 1 and Coromandel Rifles' shooting teams to the range, where a match was fired, and resulted in a win for the Thames team by 54 points. The individual scores are as under:—

THAMES NO. 1 RIFLES.	
Private Causley	60
Corporal Newman	56
Color-Sergt. Spraggon	56
Sergeant Crosby	55
Private Brown	53
Lieutenant Pearce	52
Private Curtis	47
Private Lukey	41
Total	420

COROMANDEL RIFLES.	
Private Morrison	52
Corp. W. Senior	50
Private Strongman	48
Private R. Senior	48
Private Verry	46
Private E. J. Senior	45
Lieut. Home	41
Private Bridson	36
Total	366

Majority for Thames No. 1. 54. In the afternoon a football match was played between members of the two companies, and resulted in a win for the Coromandel team by 3 points to nil. Mr. Roderick acted as referee. At six o'clock the volunteers and band assembled at the Star and Garter Hotel, where a banquet was given by the Coromandel Rifles to the visitors. The officers present were: Captain-Chaplain Rev. Fortune, Captain Lucas, Captain and Adjutant Somerville, Lieuts. Battison, Inder, and Horne, and Bandmaster Clarke. The eatables were served about a quarter past six, and the usual toasts were duly honoured.

After the banquet an adjournment was made to the Caledonian Hall, where a grand drawing-room entertainment was given to a packed house by the members of the Battalion Band Minstrels. Everything passed off well, and items were frequently encored. After the concert part of the programme was concluded the hall was cleared for dancing, which was kept up till midnight.

Yesterday morning a church parade was held in which the Battalion Band, Thames Rifles, Hauraki Rifles, Coromandel Rifles, and School Cadets participated. Those taking part assembled at the Caledonian Hall and marched to Christ's (English) Church, where a very impressive service was conducted by Captain-Chaplain Rev. Fortune, the Battalion Band and a strong choir assisting. The rev. gentleman's sermon was appropriate to the occasion.

In the afternoon a programme of sacred music was given at the hospital by the Battalion Band, and a collection was taken up in aid of the hospital funds. Shortly after the volunteers and band proceeded to the wharf where the excursionists were accorded a hearty send off. The steamer left Coromandel at a quarter to five, and arrived here about eight o'clock.

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