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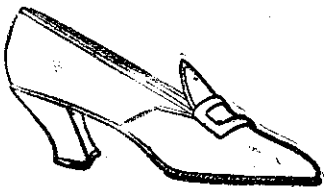
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## SPORTING.

Winton Jockey Club will hold a dance on Friday night, in honour of its returned soldier members.

The annual general meeting of the Southland Racing Club will be held on Friday, September 3rd.

At the National Meeting last week there was an entire absence of khaki. Let us sincerely hope that we will not see it again on our courses, nor anywhere else excepting on the parade grounds.

Nominations for the S.R.C. Committee Stakes on Tuesday night. The retiring ticket will probably be re-elected without any trouble.

Dunmure is good bush Gaelic for "dirty dog." At least one of his backers told me so, and not being a Gaelic scholar I take his interpretation as being correct.

The Birchwood Hunt non-totalisator meeting promises to provide a very pleasant afternoon's sport on the Otautau Racing Club's course next Wednesday afternoon.

Author Dillon is still our champion pacer of the Dominion, and his little victory at Addington was very popular. The public dearly love a game horse.

Royal Step, gave Southlanders some money at Addington on the opening day of the trots, and doubled the amount on the second day. But for his owner he is reported to have increased his bank account by a win running into four figures.

Coalition is a good one, and it was a pity to see him fall on Saturday. Had he and Oakleigh stood up there was every prospect of them giving Cub a good fight in the Lincoln Steeplechase.

It is hard, very hard, to say whether Lochella is or is not a good one. If last week's performances were his true form then he is no champion. But was it his correct form? Well, Charlie Christie might be able to tell you, but I can't.

"Put" Hogan has had his annual trip to the National Meeting and though his team raced on five days since he left home he failed to catch a heat. It would be a costly trip, I'm thinking, for somebody, but one can't always win, and the patrons of Rorke's Drift Lodge have had a good time during the past season.

According to all reports Calma was unlucky to fall at Riccarton on Tuesday, as she was going particularly well with the leaders when the accident happened. She raced in the colours and nomination of P.T.H., who has apparently acquired her from Mr Miller.

Everyone was sorry to hear that Digger Dick Hazlett's game horse Samuel had run his last race through breaking his leg at Riccarton last Tuesday week. He was a useful horse and showed great promise as a hurdler. This horse was bought a few years ago by Alex. Chisholm, the Otautau veterinary surgeon, and it was through his care and attention that he became a sound horse again, after breaking down in Mr Crigg's colours a season or two earlier.

Some horses soldiers should have backed at Riccarton last week, Bombproof, Gamecock, Coalition, High Heels, General Petain, and Royal Star. The following are some horses they probably did back: Tumult, Fire Eater, Marchwell, Trentham Rose, War Tax, General Wanchope, Blazeaway, All Talk, Bill, Melee, Warlike, Jock, Nightrider, General Advance, and Miss Camouflage.

Coalition was one of those horses who came down to Riccarton to run at the Royal Meeting last May, and was prevented from running owing to the jockeys' strike trouble. It was some reward to his owner that he should win the National after his long enforced stay.

Master Strowan, though he went very short prior to and in the early stages of the Grand National Steeplechase, appeared to be going well when he ran off at the back of the course and looked like having some say in the finish. The old chap was too sore to persevere with and was sent home next day.

Digger Jock McArthur had a couple of nice rides on Southern at the National Meeting. His horse lacked pace and

staying power just where it was most wanted, but with a little more condition, and in cheaper company I think Jock might catch a race.

The Government were beaten on the Gaming Bill amendments as suggested by the Upper House, and the list of those who defeated the proposals to allow the publication of dividends and the forwarding of money for investment direct to secretaries of racing clubs, makes interesting reading. Amongst the list are Awarua Hamilton, "Joey," of this town, and Digger Mitchell, of the thirty who were against the amendment. I wonder how many know intimately the matter on which they were voting?

So True Blue Dave landed the Winter Cup after all, and I would bet a hat or two there wasn't a Southlander on or off the course that was not glad to hear that this valuable stake had been won by such a good sport. Killowen won it like a racehorse, was first out and first all the way to the winning post. His owner, unfortunately, was not able to see him win, being still in hospital, but naturally was delighted when the news came through. The good price he paid cheered a good many besides his owner, and one local ivory merchant is reported to have made a nice little wad out of the win.

Mr Isitt on the Gaming Bill amendments: "I say that this is a most callous and barefaced attempt on the part of racing clubs to encourage betting at a distance in absolute indifference to its financial effect on the people." This pious member for Christchurch also told the House that no less than £34,000,000 had passed through the totalisator in New Zealand. It is a good job something has attracted the owners to put that thirty-four million in circulation as there are too many tightwads still hanging on to their pocket books and the contents. We must get money into circulation to make the country prosperous, and for that reason the totalisator helps.

A fellow digger advises me that in a list of dates of meetings recently published in these columns a slight was offered the Otautau Racing Club by omitting its fixture on January 21st. I can assure my friend that no slight was intended this progressive little club, but by an oversight the fixture was omitted. I regret very much that the officials of the club should have been in any way annoyed at the omission, and I promise to make it good on race day.

## SOCIAL NOTES.

The High School girls and boys gave a very nice dance on Tuesday evening for young people.

A delightful dance was held by St. John's Church in Ashley's Hall on Friday 13th inst. The hall was tastefully decorated with ivy and native greenery, and reflected much credit on those responsible. About 100 couples took the floor to music supplied by Mr J. Aldridge's orchestra, and the verdict of all was that the evening was a great success. Among those whom I noticed present were the Rev. Geo. Coates and Mrs Coates, Mesdames Brooksmith, Cochrane, Hannah, Jennings, Thomson, Stewart, Camm, and Pollok; Misses Crofts, Redwood, Ashley, Miller, Godward, Featherstone, Searell, Washer, Hawke, Brooks; Messrs C. H. Williams, Hannah, Dunnett, F. Bray, Camm, Bean, Pollok, Hinton, Tressider, McNatty, Frampton, Connor, and Washer.

One of the most successful dances this season was one given in Ashley's Hall, on Saturday evening, got up by a small committee of ladies: Mesdames W. Gabites and W. Hodges, the Misses Bews, Callender, Henderson and Tucker. Among the guests I noticed: Mr and Mrs F. Rowley, Dr. and Mrs McCaw, Mr and Mrs Raymond, Mr and Mrs Bastian, Mr and Mrs Hall-Jones, Mr and Mrs Gabites, Mrs Ritchie Crawford, Mrs Haggitt, Mrs T. M. Macdonald, Mr and Mrs W. Hodges, Mr and Mrs Lewis, Misses Watson, Hackworth, Hazlett, Guthrie, Morrah, Bews, Henderson, Tucker, Hain, Macdonald (Edendale), McCaw, Haggitt, Snow, Irvine, Logan, Smith, H. Macdonald, Macdonald, Messrs Cameron, Tucker, Dunnett, Christophers, Brown, Gilmour, Hewat, Rae, Wadsworth, Dr. Gow (Winton), Callender, St. George, Iva, Dr Macdonald and Broughton.

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"Please post me 'Digger.'"—"W.A.," Auckland.

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"It is surprising the number who come into my shop and ask for the 'Digger.' I buy three every week and am lucky to get home with one of them."—A Local Barber.