

**WHANGATEAU.**

(Our Own Correspondent.)

A disastrous fire broke out in Mr T. H. Walden's store on Friday evening, the 1st inst. The proprietor, and his assistant Miss Schollum, had left the premises soon after 5 p.m., and shortly before 6 p.m. smoke and flames were seen issuing through the roof of the store. These were observed by many of the neighbours who hurried to the scene, and rendered valuable assistance. The store, which is built on piles over the water, and being high tide there was plenty of water handy, a bucket brigade soon got the fire under control, and a spray pump completely extinguished it. The fire started and was confined to the grain and bulk goods department. The walls and roof were badly charred and much goods consumed or spoiled, but the fire fortunately did not enter the main store, where a valuable stock of drapery, grocery and fancy goods were kept, but smoke and water injured some lines slightly.

We believe that the policy of insurance had run out, so that Mr Walden will be a heavy loser.

**CRICKET.**

Whangaripo journeyed to Whangateau on Saturday last to play Omaha, who are the present holders of the cup. Omaha won in one innings and 51 runs. Considering the youth of most of the visiting team, the players did very well, especially when they had to meet a century maker as Pat Dunning. The following are the results:—

OMAHA.—J. Wyatt, c and b D Bell, 3; W. Dunning, played on b W. Armour, 1; A. R. Dunning, b D. Bell, 118; J. Dunning, run out, 2; H. Ashton, played on b W. Armour, 1; J. Torkington, c L. Came, b R. Bell, 14; C. Matthew, stumped b N. Vipond, 4; A. Grigg, not out 11; A. Dunning, senr., c W. Came, b W. Armour 2; E. Brown, b R. Bell, 2; Ted Dunning, b D. Bell, 4. Extras, 7. Total 168. Bowling analysis—W. Armour, 3 wickets for 54, D. Bell 3 for 66, N. Vipond 1 for 25, R. Bell 1 for 16.

WHANGARIPO.—First innings—D. Keneally, c and b A. R. Dunning, 6; N. Vipond, b W. Dunning, 3; W. Came, c J. Wyatt, b A. R. Dunning, 3; D. Bell, b A. R. Dunning, 0; S. Came, b A. R. Dunning, 2; E. A. Vipond, c A. R. Dunning, b W. Dunning, 0; W. Armour, c and b D. Dunning, 17; A. Bell, run out, 0; R. Rayner, c J. Dunning, b A. R. Dunning 1; S. Came, not out, 11; R. Bell, b J. Dunning, 7. Extras, 9. Total, 59. Bowling—A. R. Dunning 5 for 27, W. Dunning 3 for 21; J. Dunning 1 for 0.

Second innings.—D. Keneally, c A. R. Dunning, b J. Torkington, 7; S. Came, c J. Wyatt, b J. Torkington, 6; N. Vipond, st., b J. Wyatt, 17; W. Armour, st., b C. Matthew, 4; W. Came, not out, 12; L. Came, b E. Brown, 4; D. Bell, c A. R. Dunning, b J. Wyatt, 0. Stumps were then drawn. Extras, 8. Total 58. Bowling—J. Dunning 0 for 17, J. Torkington 2 for 3, J. Wyatt 2 for 24, and C. Matthew 0 for 5.

**PEOPLE'S POPULAR PICTURES.**

**FRIDAY, FEB. 8.**

The Drama of a Man neither white nor red, and how he found his mate, An All-Star Cast

**"The Half-Breed."**

Interest—"MANUFACTURE OF SOAP."  
Cartoon—"SUCH IS LIFE IN NICE."

Gaumont Graphic.

**J. M. MELVILLE, SOLICITOR, ETC.,**

Has removed to 19 & 21, Short's Buildings opposite National Bank, Queen Street Auckland.

**Rodney Championship and Handicap Tennis Tournament**

[Authorised by the New Zealand Lawn Tennis Association]

At Warkworth Club Courts.

Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Feb. 28th and 29th, and March 1st, 1924.

Entries close MONDAY, 18th February, at 7 p.m.

N.B.—Competitors are requested to hand their entries and entrance fees to the secretaries of their respective Clubs prior to that date.

Admission 1s each day. Afternoon Tea provided.

**TENNIS DANCE FRIDAY EVENING, FEB. 29.**

Admission—Gents 2s 6d, Ladies 2s, Double Ticket 4s.

P. W. SMITH, Hon. Sec.

**WANTED**—A Strong, Willing BOY, as apprentice.  
R. E. HENDERSON, Blacksmith, Kaipara Flats.

**FOR SALE.**

**1** MOTOR CAR, in first-class order. Apply P.O. Box 39, Warkworth.

**FIRST-CLASS ACCOMMODATION** for Boarders, Permanents, and Casuals. Meals all hours. Morning and Afternoon Teas served. Terms moderate.  
Mrs. SHOESMITH, Hill Street, Warkworth.

**FIREWOOD FOR SALE.**

**GOOD** TI-TREE FIREWOOD, long lengths 11s, stove blocks 16s, delivered in Warkworth. Apply MILLER & TOOVEY, Box 37, Warkworth.

**FOR SALE.**

**ONE** 2-Stroke INDIAN MOTOR CYCLE in good running order. Apply to D. ROBIESON, Matakana.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE.**

**PERCY STEVENS,** ART PHOTOGRAPHER, Will be in Warkworth for Show Day, and until the 17th.

**Post Cards, 12s 6d Doz Cabinets, 26s Doz**

P. STEVENS.

Address—Bridge House, Warkworth.

**WARKWORTH BOWLING CLUB.**

**THE GREEN** is now open for play on SATURDAY AFTERNOONS at 2 p.m. and evenings during the week.

All Members and Intending Members are requested to roll up and have a game.

Don't stop away because you have no Bowls, other Members are willing to lend theirs.

J. S. WILSON, President.



**RODNEY COUNTY COUNCIL.**

**TENDERS**, addressed to the Chairman, will be received by the RODNEY COUNTY COUNCIL, Warkworth, up till Noon on TUESDAY, the 19th day of February, for the following works:—

CONTRACT No. 7.—Erection of BUTTER FACTORY BRIDGE, Port Albert, 31ft. 6in. single span, in reinforced concrete. Plans and specifications at Kokako P.O.

CONTRACT No. 28.—Forming and culverting 57 chains of DUNNINGHAM'S DEVIATION. Plans, etc., at Ahuroa P.O.

CONTRACT No. 42.—Re forming 10 chains of KOMOKORIKI VALLEY ROAD. Plans, etc., at Komokoriki P.O.

CONTRACT No. 48.—Metalling eleven chains of the KAIPARA FLATS TAUHOA ROAD. Specifications, etc., at Kaipara Flats P.O.

CONTRACT No. 56.—Quarrying and carting 185 cubic yards of sandstone at Whangaripo.

CONTRACT No. 57.—Quarrying and carting 370 cubic yards of sandstone for metalling 30 chains of Wellsford-Whangaripo Road.

CONTRACT No. 58.—Hauling 245 cubic yards of 2½in. metal from Wellsford Station to Welleford-Whangaripo Road.

Specifications Nos. 56, 57, 58 at Wellsford P.O.

CONTRACT No. 59.—Quarrying and carting 490 cubic yards sandstone metal for Parkinson's Flat. Specifications at Matakana P.O.

Plans, etc., of all above also at Council Chambers, Warkworth.

Tenderers are requested to endorse Contract No. on envelope.

Tenders not accompanied by deposit will be rejected as informal.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

A. J. DOW, County Engineer.

Warkworth, February 1st, 1924.



**RODNEY COUNTY COUNCIL.**

**For Sale by Tender.**

**4-Ton A.E.C. Dump Truck.**

**TENDERS**, closing with the Under-signed at 4 p.m. on MONDAY, the 18th day of February, 1924, are invited for the purchase of a 4-ton A.E.C. Dump Truck.

May be inspected at the Council Chambers, Warkworth, daily during office hours.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

H. F. GOODMAN, County Clerk.

Warkworth, 1st February, 1924.

**Clearing Sale of Soiled Stock.**

**OWING** to recent fire at my store, WHANGATEAU, on 1st inst., the whole of the goods (damaged in appearance by smoke only), is offered to the Public

AT GREATLY REDUCED PRICES FOR CASH ONLY.

Take advantage of this opportunity to purchase all classes of DRAPERY and other goods, which must be quit—NOW IS YOUR CHANCE.

**T. H. WALDEN,** General Storekeeper and Land Agent, WHANGATEAU.

**"Show Time is Coming."**

RODNEY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

WILL HOLD THEIR

**Annual Show**

At Warkworth, on Saturday, Feb. 9, 1924.

THE BEST STOCK IN THE COUNTY WILL BE THERE.

**£200 in Prizes. £200 in Money.**

COMPETITIONS, SIDE SHOWS, ETC.

Come and help make it a success.

Entries close Wednesday, February 6th,

Except for Ring Events. Schedules on application.

Admission to Show Ground—Adults, 1s 6d; Children, 6d.

Motor Cars must only go in at gate to Cattle Dip Paddock. A charge of 2s 6d will be made for each Car going in.

Please note that Cheques will not be accepted at Gate. Bring correct change if possible, and so save time.

All information on application to

H. B. MOORE, Secretary.

Town Library, Warkworth.

**"A Good Finish."**

**Grand Concert**

ON SHOW NIGHT, WARKWORTH TOWN HALL, Saturday, Feb. 9, 1924.

The CREAM OF LOCAL TALENT, assisted by AUCKLAND FRIENDS will present a worthwhile Programme.

Admission, 2s 6d, Reserves 3s.

Box Plan with Mr J. S. Ashton at the wharf. The early buyer gets the choice seats.

H. B. MOORE, Secretary.

**EXHIBITORS, PLEASE NOTE!**

ALL EXHIBITS left at Farmers', Hamilton's or Civil's Stores before 9 a.m. on FRIDAY will be taken out to Show Ground FREE OF CHARGE.

Please mark names plainly on packages.

H. B. MOORE, Secretary.

**Luncheon Room**

ON GROUNDS,

SHOW DAY, SHOW DAY,

Saturday, Feb. 9, 1924,

From 11 a.m.

Good Lunch, 2/- Afternoon Tea, 1/6. Hot Water for sale at 6d per Billy.

E. M. WARIN } Caterers.  
B. BURKE }