

CRICKET.

OMAHA V. WARKWORTH.

A friendly match was played on the Domain, Whangateau, on Saturday, November 29th. Warkworth batted first and made 31 runs. The following made the highest scores, Williams, A. Pickering and A. Torkington 5 runs each. The following are the scores:—Sagar, c Burton, b J. Dunning, 1; A. Pickering, c W. Dunning, b J. Dunning, 5; Williams, c W. Dunning, b J. Dunning, 5; F. Gubb, c J. Torkington, b T. Ashton, 1; C. Gubb, c Burton, b T. Ashton, 0; Davidson, b P. Dunning, 3; Shaw, b P. Dunning, 0; E. Pickering, not out, 2; A. Torkington, c J. Dunning, b Farmer, 5; W. Clark, b Farmer, 0; W. Hamilton, b P. Dunning, 0; extras, 9. Total, 31.

Omaha—P. Dunning, c Williams, b A. Pickering, 29; E. Brown, retired 20; W. Dunning, retired 25; J. Dunning, c Clark, b Williams, 19; J. Torkington, c Hamilton, b Shaw 6; T. Ashton, lbw, b Davidson 2; C. Farmer, c C. Gubb, b Williams, 0; F. Burton, b Williams, 0; H. Ashton, b Pickering, 6; W. Darroch, c C. Gubb b Pickering, 2; E. Neeley, c Clark, b Pickering 0; extras, 5. Total, 114.

Warkworth—2nd innings—Sagar, b J. Dunning 0; E. Pickering, c Burton b E. Brown 1; A. Pickering, c Brown J. Torkington 0; F. Gubb, c H. Ashton, b T. Ashton 8; A. Torkington, c W. Dunning, b T. Ashton 5; Davidson, stumped, b P. Dunning, 3; Williams, c W. Dunning, b P. Dunning 3; C. Gubb, c Burton, b J. Dunning, 7; Clark, b Burton 0; Shaw, not out 5; W. Hamilton, c Burton, b J. Dunning 0; extras, 8. Total, 40.

Omaha thus won the match in 1 innings and 42 runs.

On Sunday morning, Nov. 30th, a party of ladies and gentlemen motored over to Whangateau to inspect the new bowling green just put down in the Domain which is to be opened on Saturday. On passing the hall they found that a service was being conducted and, not having time to go in as no doubt they were due back in Warkworth for lunch, they did the next best thing—they passed round the hat—which resulted in the respectable sum of 25s, consisting of several half crowns, florins, shillings and coins of lesser value. One of the visitors walked into the hall and placed the cash into the preacher's hand. Needless to state the thoughtful and generous offering was much appreciated.

SHEEP-WORRYING DOGS.

WHERE THEY CAN BE SHOT.

An interesting judgment bearing upon the rights of farmers in regard to destroying stray dogs which worry their stock was given in the Whangarei Magistrate's Court recently by Mr R. W. Tate, S.M. This case was one in which E. B. Laxon (Mr Woods) had claimed £10 as the value of a cattle dog killed by Donald Sinclair (Mr Harrison) without justification, and £5 by way of general damages in respect of the killing of the dog. On August 13 the dog was at large among the defendant's sheep and lambs. When the defendant reached the spot the dog had gone on to a neighbour's property whither he followed it and from there to plaintiff's property, where in the presence of and despite the protests of the plaintiff's wife, he shot it, the whole transaction occupying a very short time.

The plaintiff contended that the shooting of the dog was not justified and the Magistrate thought he was right. The case was, he said, very similar to McCarthy v. McConnell, where a dog was found worrying sheep on a State farm. He was followed off the farm for some distance caught and led back to the farm where, after a lapse of two days, he was shot. The shooting was held to be unjustified and the owner of the dog recovered damages. In the case quoted the law on the subject was fully discussed. The nearest authority to a justification of the present shooting was Wright v. Sharpe, 1902, where an owner found an unregistered dog among his sheep, caught it, led it across a public road intersecting his property, and there shot it. The dog was not at liberty

when the road was crossed and only about five minutes elapsed from its seizure to its destruction. The shooting was justified, but it should be noted that except for crossing the road the dog did not leave the sheepowner's land.

The Dogs Registration Act 1908 sets out certain circumstances in which the shooting of a dog was justified, regarding those from the point of view of a sheep or cattle farmer. Section 16 permitting any person upon whose land an unregistered dog is found, or his agent, to destroy any such dog and a dog without a collar having a proper registration label is deemed to be an unregistered dog. Section 26 said that a dog running at large among sheep or cattle may be destroyed by the owner of the sheep or cattle or by his agent or his servant, or his employee. Section 25 enacted that any person whatever who saw a dog biting or attacking sheep or cattle may destroy the same. No case was cited and the Magistrate knew of no case justifying the following of a dog from the stock owners land to the land of another person and there shooting.

The value of the dog was variously assessed from £10 to nothing, and the Magistrate did not think that a cattle dog that would not work cattle except to bring cows in at his home farm could be of great commercial value. The plaintiff gave 10s for him, presumably as a pup, and the Magistrate thought that £2 10s was a liberal assessment of his value when shot. Plaintiff was entitled to general damages claimed in addition to the value of the dog. Judgment was given for £7 10s and £3 14s costs.

A MEETING of DAIRY SUPPLIERS will be held in the Town Hall, Warkworth, on **THURSDAY**, 18th December, 1924, at 8 p.m.

WILLIAM HAMILTON,
Convener.



RODNEY COUNTY COUNCIL.

RESULT OF PROPOSAL TO RAISE LOAN FOR PURCHASE OF MACHINERY, AND METALLING ROADS IN THE ARAI RIDING.

PURSUANT to Section 12 of the "Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1913," I hereby give notice that at a Poll of the ratepayers of the Arai Riding Special Rating District No. 3, of the County of Rodney, taken on the 28th day of November, 1924, on the proposal of the Rodney County Council to borrow five thousand pounds (£5,000) for the purchase of machinery and road-making plant and the formation and metalling of roads in the Arai Riding

The number of votes recorded FOR the proposal was	36
The number of votes recorded AGAINST the proposal was	18
Informal	nil

I therefore declare that the proposal was carried.

Dated at Warkworth this 6th day of December, 1924.

F. HODGSON,
Chairman.

CLOSING NOTICE.

THE PREMISES of the Under-signed will be closed for Xmas and New Year holidays from 10 p.m. Wednesday 24th, to 8 a.m. Monday 29th, and from 10 p.m., Wednesday, Dec. 31st, to 8 a.m. Jan. 5th, 1925.

N.A. FARMERS' CO.-OP.
A. HOPEWELL.
B. HAMILTON.
CIVIL BROS.

REDUCTION IN PASSENGER FARES.

OWING to better condition of road, we have decided to reduce Fares to and from Kaipara Flats Station, commencing from December 1st, 1924, until further notice.

CIVIL & RAMSBOTTOM,
Mail Contractors,
Warkworth.

FOR SALE.

HOUSE—4 Rooms and Pantry, ½ acre land; perfect order inside and out, lawn, good flower and vegetable gardens; Situated Pulham Road, Warkworth. Easy terms.
Apply **TIMES Office.**

FOR SALE.

PIANO—Upright Grand (Schiedmayer and Soehne Stuttgart); First-class instrument in perfect order—a beautiful piano. Apply **TIMES Office.**

PEOPLE'S POPULAR PICTURES.

SATURDAY, DEC. 18.

Douglas McLean in his Latest and Funniest Comedy!

"Bell Boy 13,"

A Merry Mix up of Love and Laughter!

Scenic—"KINOGRAM TRAVEL-OGUE."

Comedy—"BOW WOW."

Cartoon—"FIRST BARBER."

Topical Budget.

WARKWORTH JUVENILE INDUSTRIAL EXHIBITION

WILL be held in the Town Hall **TOMORROW THURSDAY**, December 11th, afternoon at 2.30 and evening.

Exhibition of General School Work.

Elocutionary Items by Prize winners during evening. Shooting Gallery. Jumble Stall. Lollie Stall. Afternoon Tea. Supper.

Admission—Adults 1s, Children free.
E. A. PHILLIPS,
Hon. Sec. and Treasurer.

Outside Schools' Elocutionary Contest will take place on Thursday morning at School.

A Grand Musical and DRAMATIC ENTERTAINMENT

Will be given by Pupils of Convent School, in Puhoi Town Hall on **Wednesday, Dec. 17.**

Doors open at 7.30 p.m.

WARKWORTH Meat Market.

J. HENDREN Manager.

Up-to-date Butchers.

BY patronising us you are obtaining the **BEST MEAT PROCURABLE**, at the **LOWEST** possible prices.

We are out to keep the prices down, combined with the best service.

Help us, and we'll help you.

Delivery Daily.

TELEPHONE No. 45.

THE WARKWORTH MEAT CO. take this opportunity of extending their sincere thanks to their numerous valued customers who have supported them so well during the period they have been in business, and trust they will give the same staunch support to their successor.

NOTICE.

TO ENABLE US to wind up our business as speedily as possible, may we ask that all Outstanding Accounts be paid in to Messrs Civil Bros. before the end of the year.
WARKWORTH MEAT CO.

NOTICE.

THE PUHOI TOWN BAND ORCHESTRA are open for engagement. Cornet, Violins and Piano. For full particulars, apply to **GUS TITFORD,** Hotel, Puhoi.

TENDERS.

TENDERS are invited for the right to cater at the Wellsford A. & P. Society's forthcoming Show to be held on **THURSDAY, Feb. 19th, 1925.**

The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

Full particulars may be obtained from the Secretary,

H. M. SMITH,
Wellsford.

WANTED.

A GOOD, general Servant. Apply to **BAKERY,** Warkworth.

AUCKLAND AUTOMOBILE ASSOCIATION.

RODNEY BRANCH.

THE Annual General Meeting of above Branch will be held in Library, Warkworth, on **FRIDAY, 12th December, 1924, at 7.30.**

All Motorists are cordially invited. Please roll up.

REG. PHILLIPS,
Hon. Sec.
Rodney Branch.

CHRISTMAS PLUMS for sale. Price 2d per lb. Apply to **PETER JAMIESON,** Opposite School, Warkworth.

N.Z. FARMERS' UNION.

WARKWORTH BRANCH.

THE Annual Meeting of the Warkworth Board will be held in the Library on **SATURDAY, 13th Dec, 1924, at 8 p.m.**

BUSINESS—Election of Officers and General.

W. HAMILTON,
Hon. Sec.

OPENING NOTICE.

MR. W. H. WATTERSON notifies the Public of Warkworth and outside districts that he has opened in premises next Mr T. Robertson's (baker's), as a **HAIRDRESSER AND TOBACCONIST.**

NOTICE.

HAVING purchased the business of the Warkworth Meat Co. to continue supplying the Public with the **Best of Meat** at the lowest possible prices.

I take this opportunity of thanking my patrons for past favors, and the way in which they have supported me while in business for myself.

Book your orders now for **HAMS and LAMB,** etc.

H. S. SMITH,
Family Butcher.