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WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24, 1915.

He who is most slow in making a promise is the most faithful in the performance of it.—Rousseau.

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Gladys Marshall, aged 3 years,
daughter of Mr J. Marshall, of Waitoa,
who was kicked by a horse on Tuesday
of last week, died in the hospital. Her
skull and nose were broken.

An exceptionally heavy thunder
storm, accompanied by heavy rain
passed over Paeroa on Monday night.
The storm lasted about six hours. The
river is high and flats are flooded, but
so far no damage is reported.

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The Nelson Mail states that the average price which is being paid in the Motueka district for the best sorts of apples for export to South America is 5s per case. The growers are required to pick the fruit and provide the cases.

"Was there any reason for the man using such shocking language?" asked Mr Florence, S.M., during the hearing of a charge against a man from Matawai at the Gisborne Magistrate's Court last week. "No, your Worship," responded the arresting constable naively, "he was only randed up in a barbed-wire fence!"

A prominent Gisborne sheep planter stated the other day that there was scarcely a station in the Gisborne district which was not at the present time carrying from 1500 to 2000 below normal carrying capacity. Stocks would be still further reduced were it not for the fact that pastoralists do not like to have to absolutely give their sheep away.

The member for Westland, Mr T. E. Y. Seddon, eldest son of the late Right Hon Richard Seddon, was admitted as a barrister and solicitor of the Supreme Court at Wellington on Monday. The admission was upon the motion of Sir John Findlay, K.C., before Sir Robert Stout, Chief Justice. Mr Seddon is attached to the office of Messrs Findlay, Dalziel, and Sim, of Wellington.

Yesterday morning Detectives Quartermain and Issell arrested, in Auckland a young man named John Corkin, on a charge of having deserted from the Waikato Regiment of the Main Expeditionary Force in November. It is alleged that Corkin, after having placed his effects aboard the troopship Waimana, deserted the force.

Some time ago it was announced by a ladies' outfitter in Gisborne that she intended giving the whole of the profits of her business for twelve months to the Belgian Relief Fund. Within three months she had £100 to pass to the credit of the fund, and recently a second instalment of £100 was received.

A resident of Dallington (Canterbury) when returning home after two hours' absence yesterday, heard suspicious sounds, and, hiding under a window, caught a man as he descended. The man gave his name as Charles William Wood. He had in his possession articles of clothing. Later in the day Wood was arrested on a charge of burglary.

It was the intention of the Auckland Automobile Association to have a run to Cambridge at Easter, and making Cambridge the headquarters from which a number of trips in the surrounding district were to be made. Advice has now been received that some 110 members of fire brigades and a similar number of bowlers will be in Cambridge during the holidays, and the motorists have therefore abandoned their proposed visit, as the accommodation available in the town will probably be overtaxed.

One of the Moeraki fishermen had an unusual experience off Bobby's Head on Thursday last, where three large whales and a calf were cruising, says the North Otago Times. One of the whales rose to "blow" within a few feet of the launch, and approaching it. Needless to say, the fishermen lost no time at the tiller, and swerved his launch just quick enough to avoid a collision with the mammal, which seemed determined to assert its claim to the right-of-way. The school proceeded leisurely northwards.

"In this case the men got the leaflets printed by a respectable firm of printers, innocently accepted them and distributed them to other members of the union, and it would have been extraordinary if they had noticed that the leaflets had no imprint," stated Mr Cutten, S.M., at Auckland on Monday, in indicating his regret that having found three members of the Waterside Workers' Union technically guilty of having dispersed a leaflet having no imprint, he had to fine them £5 each, that being the minimum fine. The men were Cook, Miller, and Solomon, who had a "ticket" for the Waterside Union's election of office-bearers printed, and had distributed it among the members, but had neglected to observe that the printer had not put his imprint on the paper, which was a perfectly innocent and harmless publication.

Have you heard Alicia Walts, the rage of the season, published by A. Eady and Co., near new Theatre Royal?

Troopship Canteen lists specify Fucsol.

We still lead as Prescription Chaplets.—Foyyha, Central Pharmacy.

A Manchester firm, who, following their usual practice, sent a present of a Stilton cheese to an American customer, had the package returned to them, with an intimation that the Government had prohibited the importation of foodstuffs.

At a meeting of the directors of the Marokopa Co-operative Dairy Company held yesterday, it was decided to pay 1s per lb butter-fat from March 1 to the end of the season. The company will, in all probability, show a very creditable balance-sheet at the close of the financial year, and should commence the new season under extremely gratifying conditions.

A letter which a Wellington resident has received from an ex-Palmerstonian in Canada confirms what has been already published regarding the present "hard times" there. The correspondent writes: In Vancouver married men are working for six shillings a day, single men for four shillings, if they can get it, and there are besides many out of work in Vancouver alone, and the city is full of soup kitchens. Hundreds have been ruined in Canada by over speculation."

The amount of distress caused in Wellington by the war has been much less than was anticipated some months ago. The committee in charge of the disbursement of relief has up to the present dealt with 70 cases of families in need on account of the war. Sixteen of these belong to the Imperial naval and military reservists, and five to men at the front with the expeditionary force. The remaining families are those of men whose avenues of employment have been restricted owing to the abnormal conditions created by

the war. Relief is now being granted to some 30 families, chiefly in the way of paying the rent. .

A large party of farmers, representing the Paterangi branch of the Farmers' Union, paid a visit to the Ruakura Farm of Instruction to-day, and spent a most profitable and enjoyable day. It is gratifying to see that the farmers of the district fully recognize the benefit of having such an institution within easy reach, for it enables them to readily acquire information in all branches of farming which otherwise would not be obtainable save by much labour and costly experiment."

In recording a conviction for failing to destroy rabbits, Mr E. Rawson, at the Te Awamutu Magistrate's Court on Sunday, said that a number of cases had come before him in which the defendants imagined that the inspector had a personal grievance towards them. "The inspector," said Mr Rawson, "was there to do his duty, irrespective of who the offender was, and if people neglected to take proper precautions for the destruction of rabbits, they have only themselves to blame if prosecuted. If unable to do the work themselves, it is their duty to engage labour to do it for them."—Waipa Post.

A quiet wedding was celebrated this morning at St. Andrew's Presbyterian

Church, Claudelands, the contracting parties being Miss Kathleen Harper (eldest daughter of Mr Jno. Harper, of Karamu) and Mr Claude Tarrant, son of Mr Tarrant, of Otorohanga. The bride was attended by her sister, Miss May Harper, and Mr Frank Harper (brother of the bride) acted as best man. After the ceremony the young couple left for the South, where the honeymoon will be spent.