CAMBRIDGE.

DEAR BEK.

This pretty little town was ca fele on Friday and Saturday last week when the

CHRYSANTHEMUM SHOW

CHICHASTINENT & BHOW held its fifth annual exhibition of the 'queen of autume flowers.' There was considerable excitement at both the arrival and de-parture of the train from Auckland, as nearly every one expected friends annouget the excursionists. The Show was beld in a inonster instruct, and was well worth a visit. Nome of the floral designs were quite artistic, and the table decorations were simply lovely, that of Mr. Wells decoredly taking the prize. The children from the different schools competed largely also, their designs of the both of bins dominable. At instructing the prize of the prior the played scheduler the conductorship of Mr.J.H. Edwards. H. Edwards. ery pleasant evening was spent last Friday at 'Waterside. roperty of the late Major Witson, when over takenty couples

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nucl at ASP 141. which I believe is to be held fortnightly. Dancing was carried on in the large ballroom till the 'wee same hours.' The beautiful grounds and large verandahs provel a great attraction to the guests in the brinkt moonlight between the dances. Mrs Huut, sene, took a lively laterest in watching the young folks' enjoy-nent and looked as well in black, with white lates shawl and read near the brinkt moonlight between the dances. Mrs Huut, sene, took a lively laterest in watching the young folks' enjoy-nent and looked as well in black, with white lates shawl and read read and the start in the start of the start of the start Taylor (Bardoc) wore back: Mrs Gibbons, black velvel: Miss Solty, tread reads with one black of the block of very pretty in crain readhnere with rosebuds on bodine: Miss Soluer, pale blue with sash to match: Miss Howard was nice in pink, thes Mandoom on the specify blue blocks. Miss Solty, tread to a start is still in the Water Miss Solty, tread the start with sash to the still be block, the miss Solty, tread the start of the still block with the block of the block (Hamilton wore a hand and mit with late: Miss Kenter, black well with starts, brown Miss Kingsledt scale thouse, dark skirt: Miss Hamilton well block well in black net with bloce endroid-ry; Miss Block, Key, Among the gradient were dward literation, lucks, Lidoborr, Walare, White, Taylor, Howard, Kingsford, Gane, Breana, Meares cie. S. NEX.

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GISBORNE.

AFRIL 25

Quite a number of ladies were amongst the crowd who assembled at Captain Tucker's paddock on Thursday after-noon to witness the

GIGHORNE ANATEUR ATHLEFIC CLUK'S SPORTS. The day was too cold and wintery to allow of many smart gowns being worn, and almociveryrone was convoloped in either a heavy ware bat with stringer. Miss Fonter, dark skirt and jucket, brown hat with fenthers. Miss Fonter, dark skirt and jucket, brown hat with stringer. Miss Fonter, dark skirt and jucket, brown hat with stringer. Miss Fonter, dark skirt and jucket, brown hat with stringer. In a coloured skirt and jucket, brown hat trimmed with flowers. Miss J. Tucker, greet tweed skirt and jarket, small hat with quill; Miss Macfarlane, dark green gown, cape to march finated withrays of electric blue satin ribbon, in A. big andience greeted Captain Russell on Thursday night when he gave an interesting GISBORNE AMATEUR ATHLETIC CLUR'S SPORTS.

POLITICAL ADDRESS

at the City Rink. A great number of ladies were present, and amongst them I noticed Mrs Wilock, Mrs W. D. Lyanar, Mrs Jex-Biake, Mrs R. J. Heynolds, Mrs A. F. Kennedy and Miss Rey-nolds. RETH.

APRIL 29.

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The weather was beautifully fine for THE AUTUMN RACE MEETING

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AFTERNOON TEA

ATTENDON TRA residence.' McIrose.' for her sister-in-law. Mrs G. Watts, at pre-cel - Laying with her. Anongst those provent were smee l'itt. Hurnes. R. Kingdon. Roberts, A. Glangow, Harria, Ar, L. Adams charmed those prevent bathen beautiful singing. Unorth. Mrs. Turges, Hirdy street lako gave an afternoon wind Janisch Weilingtoni, who is "taying with her. its the greening were Medianus Howie, Barnes, Wood, Pitt, itset Garcoigne tiwel, Irvine, Wood, etc. her re-idence.

'AT HOME' AT BISHOPSCOURT.

UITE one of the smartest society functions of this year was the 'At Home' given by the Primate and Mrs Cowie at their pretty and picturesque residence, Bishopscourt, Parnell, to meet Bishop and Mrs Wallis and other delegates to the Church Congress now being held in Auckland. His Excellency the Governor, the Countess of Glasgow, Ladies Augusta and Alice, and Lady Helen Boyle were present, entering by the main gate. The other guests went in by the Tower entrance. Major Elliot and Captain Fielden were in attendance.

The Primate and Mrs Cowie received their numerous guests in the semi-circular corridor, whence they passed into the reception rooms, which were speedily verv crowded, the visitors overflowing on to the balcony and passages. Some excellent music was rendered. Mr Pollock's powerful vocal organ making itself heard even through that large assembly, amidst a buzz of animated conversation. Miss Tilly charmed everyone with her lovely contralto voice. This was the first time she had sung in public, and enthusiastic musicians are predicting all sorts of successes for her in the near future.

Supper was served in the large, cool library, where the prettily-arranged little tables laden with tempting eatables were soon surrounded, and the excellent coffee, tea, sandwiches and cakes, etc., much appreciated by the guests. Mrs Cowie's pleasant manner as a hostess is known to all, and she was most abiy assisted to entertain her guests by her husband, her daughter, and her two sons, who were all indefatigable in their courteous attentions and genial hospitality.

Mrs Cowie looked exceedingly well in a lavender-grey flowered dress with handsome white lace, lace cap with gold ornaments; Miss Cowie was very sweet in a pretty pluk evening blouse, dark skirt. Lady Glasgow was very much admired in a magnificent soft grey silk brocaded with grey sprays, lovely lace draped round the low cut corsage, secured with diamond ornaments and brightened by a cluster of white roses on the right shoulder, diamond tiara : Lady Augusta Boyle looked pretty in a beautiful satin dress of the new shade of yellow, covered with satin-spotted gauze, folded yellow satin belt; on the front of the low bodice was guipure lace to match the satin; no flowers, a slender gold chain round the white throat the sole ornament; Lady Alice's dress was similar, only in white, which colour suits her to perfecion; Lady Helen Boyle wore black velvet with Mechlin

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Taylor, white cropos: Miss Thorpe, buttarcup croposits; Mrs Tilly, black silk skirt, white silk bodice velled in black set; Miss Tilly, crey ratio: Miss Thomas, black silk skirt, canary blouse; Mrs Tisida, black silk; the Missee Tadale, white and croam, respectively; Mrs H. Tewsley, very handsome black rostume with beads: Mrs Philip Tarmer, black silk, gold Svigs bcl: Mrs Ware, brick-coloured broaded/Silk, white fichu; Miss Wortp, black; Mrs Walker, sky blue flowered silk, set, etc.

Wree, blaer 1 Mr Walker, etc. Diso flowers allt, ex., etc. The following is a list of the guess invited - Mre Ashwell, Mream and Mi-sex Joscander. Mr and Mre Arnstrong. Mr. Mrea and Mre W. F. Addressen, Bins Murrey, Armoley, Lib. C. M. Park, Mr. & Archer, Captale Adams, Mr. and Mre J. Freedol Mream Mream Misses for and Mre S. Brock Heid. Captain Colonel and Mre Beiton. Mr and Mre S. Brock Heid. Captain Broce. Rev. A. J. Beck, Mr and Mre Brigham. Mr Barrier, Mr. and Mre Beiton, Mr and Mre Brigham. Mr Barrier, Mr. and Mre Beiton, Mr and Mre Brigham. Mr Barrier, Mr and Mre Beit, Mr Back Mr Buckland, Mrs and Misses Heil, Mr Andrew Beit, Mr Back, Mr and Mre Brigham. Mr Barrier, Mr and Mre Beiton, Mr and Mre Brigham. Mr Barrier, Mr and Mre Beit, Mr Back, Mr and Mre Baker, Mayr and Mrs. Misses, and Mr Bker, Mr Buckland, Mrs and Mre S. and Mre Bornheid, Mr and Mre T. K. Hloomheid, Mr and Mre Conton-biggre, Dr. and Mre Campbell, Mr and Mre Chronolog. Mrs Conso-hier, Misses, and Mr Baker, Miss Birch, Mr and Mre Conton-bier, Mr. Calder, Mran Mir Church, Ber and Mre S. and Mre Bornheid, Mr and Mre Church, Ber and Mre Conton-bier, Mr. Calder, Mran Mr Mr. Church, Ber and Mre Conton-bier, Mr. H. Schn, Mr. Mrs, and Misse Chechton, Mr and Mr and Mre Calder, Mran Mr Mr. Church, Mr and Mre Conton-Net, Mr and Mre Church, Mr. Mr and Mre Church, Mr and Mr and Mre Colbeck. Mr and Mre Church, Mr and Mre Conton-Net, Mr. Misse Crowther, Mr. Mrs, and Mre Conton-Net, Mr. Misse Crowther, Mr. Mrs, and Mre Conton-Net, Mr. Canceron, Mr and Mre Church, Mr and Mre Conton-Mre, and Mre Contexton, Mr and Mre Church, Mr and Mre Conton-Mre, and Mre Contexton, Mr and Mre Church, Mr and Mre Conton-Mre, Mr. Masser, Mr and Mre Church, Mr and Mre Conton-Mre, Mr. Mark, Mr and Mr. Charles, Mr and Mre Conton-Mre, Mr. Mark, Mr and Mre Church, Mr and Mre Conton-Mre Mr. Mark, Mr and Mre Church, Mr and Mre Conton-Mre Mr. Mark, Mr and Mre Church, Mr and Mre Mre Mark, Mre Mr. Mark, Mr and Mre Church, Mr and Mre Mre Mark, Mre Mr. Mark, Mr and Mre

OBITUARY.

W^E regret to record the death of Mrs Siewart Mententh, cousin of the C and Major Elliot. The deceased lady was the wife of Mr Mentesth, a well-known barrister and solicitor in Wellington, and formerly a member of the House of Representatives. She came to Auckland some weeks ago for her health, but the change did not prove beneficial, and she died at 'Glenalyon' on Tuesday morning. The remains will be taken to Wellington by the 'Mahinapua' on Wednesday next.