

dark costume; Miss Salmon, blouse of pink and white, sailor hat with black velvet and white quills; Miss Horne, tailor-made suit; Mrs Tewlesy, green shot with purple, erise hat; Mrs Tom Mulvaney, navy blue; Miss Gordon, pink, with black bands; Mrs Gillies, black silk, pink bonnet; Miss Gillies; Mrs Seymour George; Miss Kissing; Mrs Burness (Remuera), dainty pink blouse of tucked chiffon; Miss Innes, fawn coat and skirt, hat of a delicate shade of electric blue, trimmed with black and white spotted net and ribbon; Miss Von der Hyde (Sydney), navy serge coat and skirt, crushed strawberry front and black velvet hat with roses; Mrs Arthur Monroe, grey costume; Miss Challis; Miss MacLymont, blouse of chine muslin and lace; Miss Ruth Dudley, cream drill costume, with epaulets of green; Mrs Bamford (Remuera); Miss Newland; Mrs Arnold; Mrs Goodhue; Mrs Paton; Miss Corbett; Miss Banks; Miss Eye Smith; Mrs Lucas Bloomfield, stylish fawn jacket and skirt, scarlet blouse and pretty white sailor hat; Mrs Harry Bloomfield looked very pretty in a pale fawn dress, trimmed with pale blue silk and lace, black straw hat relieved with pale blue; Miss Ida George, navy serge costume, sailor hat; Miss Hesketh, pretty tartan blouse, trimmed with frills and narrow lace, dark skirt; Miss Violet Daere looked lovely in a stylish electric blue crepon blouse, over dark skirt, white sailor hat; Mrs Jervis, becoming black serge, with fawn waistcoat; Miss Cuff, black serge jacket and skirt, stylish black straw hat, with dark magenta roses; Miss E. Atkinson, pretty old rose coloured blouse, trimmed with lace insertion, green skirt; Miss M. Whitelaw looked stylish in a Nil green shawer muslin blouse, black skirt; Mrs Mueller, black, black bonnet; Miss George (Epsom), navy; Miss Devereux, pretty green and white blouse, trimmed with grass green ribbons, white felt hat, with green band and black tips; Miss Ross, brown costume; Miss Hattie Brigham, electric blue; Mrs Brigham, black; Miss Dudley, pale green striped blouse, white sailor hat; Mrs MacDonald, electric blue and black striped silk, black bonnet relieved with blue; Mrs F. W. E. Dawson, light blouse, dark skirt; Miss Chatfield, navy; Miss Cameron, black; Miss May Cameron, cream serge blouse; Miss Stevenson (Remuera), navy blue flowered dress; Miss — Stevenson, plum coloured dress; Misses McMillan, fawn costumes; Mrs Lyons, cream drill costume; her sister wore a stylish navy serge jacket and skirt, small white gem hat; Miss Thomas, navy and white striped dress; Miss E. Smith, heliotrope blouse, black skirt; Miss Preece, black serge; Miss Fanny Preece, pale blue blouse; etc.

Among the gentlemen were Messrs Laing, Hogg, Lyons, George, MacNeil, Lawford, Orbell, Sutton, Dargaville, Tewlesy, Youngusband, Anderson, Lennox, Stevenson.

Quite a large crowd gathered on Friday evening at the opening of the

HAGEY INSTITUTE'S NEW PREMISES.

About 400 invitations had been sent out, and I was much surprised, as there is a good deal of gaiety this week, to see that at least three-fourths of them had been accepted. We spent a very pleasant evening, as the whole of the new building (Dr. Purchas' late residence in Pitt-street) was thrown open for inspection. There are twenty-two rooms, each beautifully furnished. The social hall is particularly handsome; the paper and dado are very pretty, and the new staining (pollard and maiden oak) of the doors, etc., is effective. This room holds about a hundred people. The two billiard tables in the billiard-room made us quite envy the men, and the kitchens would almost reconcile one to cooking even in the hot weather. The sanitary arrangements are excellent. The dining-hall is upstairs, so that the smell of cooking does not pervade the reception-rooms. The house and spacious grounds were beautifully decorated. Chinese lanterns, also a huge Chinese umbrella, which was used as a tent, flowers, and foliage being in evidence in all directions. Music, vocal and instrumental, was provided, also addresses by Mr McIlveen, President of the Social Club, Dr Wolfenden, D.D., Mr J. P. Caulfield, and Dr Purchas, senior. Sandwiched between the items were

various refreshments, good to look at, and better to taste, provided from Mr McEwin's best supply of such dainties.

The success of this marvellous cure for alcoholism and narcotism seems assured, as, though it has only been opened six months in Auckland, close on one hundred patients have been treated and cured. There was so great a crush, and my list of frocks at other functions is so full, that I cannot give the names of any present.

Mrs T. Brassey gave a charming

AFTERNOON TEA

at her pretty new house, Epsom. Mrs Brassey looked remarkably well in a lovely amber figured silk blouse and black skirt; Mrs Puckey, handsome black watered silk; her daughter, black skirt with light silk blouse; Mrs James Russell, black moire antique, large white hat; Mrs Cochrane, very becoming black costume with ecru lace, bonnet covered with roses; her daughter, pretty light dress with large hat; Mrs Bodle, black skirt, black and yellow striped silk blouse; Mrs Mercer, blue; Mrs Pritt, black; Mrs Williams, black; Mrs T. Morrin, tailor-made light grey cloth costume, large black hat; Mrs Beatty, green; Mrs Hardie, very handsome black silk and lace costume, with lovely floral bonnet; Mrs Heather, dark green silk covered with black grenadine; Mrs Rice, black; Mrs Haines, purple and green costume, floral bonnet; Mrs L. D. Nathan, black with deep orange colour trimmings; Mrs F. Bodle, brown and blue, with bonnet to match; the Misses Alexander wore pretty brown costumes; Mrs Barstow, handsome black silk; Miss Barstow, black relieved with white; Mrs Richmond, black; Mrs Jackson, grey, bonnet to match; Mrs Carr, very stylish light costume; Mrs A. Nathan, black; Miss Isaacs, black and Miss Buddle; Mrs and Miss Stewart; Mrs and Miss Whewell; Mrs and Miss Smith; Mrs Aitken Carrick; Mrs and Miss Ruth; Mrs and Miss Herrold; Mrs Ware; Mrs G. Morton; Mrs Greenway, very stylish green cloth gown; Mrs Rees George, Mrs Hamlyn, Mrs Lennox; Mrs Whitney; Miss Shepherd; Mrs S. Morrin; Miss Owen; Mrs Bamford; Mrs Ching; Mrs Gamble; Mrs Hanson; Mrs Whyte; Mrs Otway; Mrs Woolcott; Mrs J. B. Whyte; Mrs Kempthorne; Mrs Brassey; Mrs Cheeseman; and many others. The rooms were all profusely decorated with flowers, roses and poppies predominating. Tea was served in the dining-room, the table being most beautifully decorated with yellow laburnum. Songs were sung during the afternoon by Mesdames Laurie, Ching, Nelson, Gamble; piano solo, Miss Cochrane.

Mr and Mrs Henton, of Denholm, Mount Eden, entertained a large number of their friends at a

PROGRESSIVE EUCHRE PARTY

on Friday, November 5th. A delightful evening was spent. The host and hostess, who were ably assisted by their charming daughters, left nothing undone that could add to the enjoyment of their guests. The large drawing-room looked like fairyland with the lovely flowers, brilliant lights and handsome dresses of the ladies. About 50 guests were present. Amongst the prettiest dresses, I noticed: Firstly, that of our hostess and her daughters. Mrs Henton looked stylish in a handsome black silk with buttercup blouse; Miss Henton quaintly pretty gown of myosotis blue nun's veiling and figured silk; Miss G. Henton, charming blouse of petunia silk, lovely pearl bertha; Mrs Haslett, artistic gown of black silk and white lace; Mrs Edmiston, handsome costume of dove-grey silk; Mrs T. Read, black silk and crimson; Mrs T. Cousins, becoming blouse of buttercup silk and lace; Mrs J. E. Baker looked extremely well in electric blue silk blouse; Miss Choyce, dainty gown of white silk; Miss Henderson, pretty costume of cream and pale green; Miss Ella Choyce, stylish costume of black velvet; Miss E. Holland, becoming frock of salmon pink silk; Miss Hall (Thames), pretty blouse of sea-foam green silk; Miss Westwood, handsome gown of black and crimson velvet; Miss F. Harrison, coral pink nun's veiling and silk lace; Mrs Hall, silver grey satin, handsomely trimmed with passementerie and lace. The ladies' prize, a handsome fern stand, was won by Mrs Haslett; gentlemen's prize, double inkstand, by Mr F. Sanderson. The booby prizes created much fun and laughter. The ladies', a Japanese doll, was awarded to

Miss E. Holland; the gentlemen's, a comical donkey, was awarded with much merriment, to Mr T. Read. The supper was of the most recherche kind. The table decorations were most artistic, roses of every variety in profusion. The guests did full justice to the dainties, and about midnight we all bid Mr and Mrs Henton good night, declaring the evening to be a great success.

Mrs John May, who is shortly leaving Mount Albert for the Waikato, gave a pleasant little

AFTERNOON TEA

on Thursday, to say farewell to a few of her friends. Country cream, fairy sponge, sandwiches, and other cakes, made excellent refreshments, while friendly chat quickly whiled away the time. Our hostess wore black silk, pretty pale blue silk blouse; Mrs Hoskins, Mount Eden, black satin and lace; Mrs Motion, Western Springs Lodge, mourning dress; Miss Larkins, black crepon finished with shot silk and lace at the throat; Mrs Sellars, black costume; Mrs Keals, mourning dress; Mrs Rattray, black and white striped dress, etc.

The Guild of St. Mary's, Parnell, held a capital

SALE OF WORK

last week towards reducing the debt (£90) on the church. The Parish Hall was very prettily decorated, and the sale was attractive and successful. The stall-keepers at the various stalls were properly costumed, and were as follows: Christmas tree, Mrs H. B. Morton; assistants, Mrs Munro, Misses Chellis, Gillies, and Whitson, also five little flower maidens. English art, Mrs T. Kissing, with the aid of Miss Ethel Wynne, Miss Kissing, and Miss Bailey. Refreshment and produce, Mrs A. V. Macdonald assisted by Mesdames W. W. Philson and Shrewsbury, Misses Cuff, Aileen Hui, E. Kissing, Grant, and Alexander; Chinese art, Misses Horne and Ronayne; sweets, Misses Abbott (2), Burcher, and Hewson; pianoforte stall, Mesdames Harry Gillfillan, D'Arcy, and Colgrove; flowers, Mrs Ruck, assisted by Mesdames Ward, Hugh Campbell, Leatham, and Misses Mowbray, G. Rokruge, and Gertrude Kempthorne.

WEST END ROWING CLUB'S 'AT HOME.'

But as I have said, how can one don airy or spring dress in an uncertain climate like ours, with one day fairly fine, and the next quite wintry and cold. However, on Saturday the opening 'At Home' of the season of the West End Rowing Club was more favoured than other Saturday functions lately. Quite a number of visitors availed themselves of the Club's invitation. The little bay where the rowing club has its anchorage and pavilion was sheltered from the high wind that prevailed on the high roads of Ponsonby. Delicious afternoon tea was dispensed to the visitors, a number of ladies presiding over the tables which were prettily decorated. Some of the dresses I noted were:—Mrs (Dr.) Bedford, in a handsome black silk crepon gown trimmed with jet, cream silk vest, large black hat with cream bow; Mrs S. Hanna, black and white striped print, white sailor hat; Miss Devore looked stylish in black velvet skirt, cream blouse, fawn cape, black velvet picture hat; Miss Colley, pretty pink and white crepon, white hat, black band; Mrs Wilson Smith looked pretty in black merveilleux satin, black hat with touches of red; Miss Harrison, blue tailor-made costume, soft lace blouse; Miss Raynes, pale blue blouse trimmed with moss green, crepon skirt, small hat; Miss Oldham, black serge tailor-made gown, red and white blouse, black hat; Miss Lena Owen, fawn skirt, blue and white striped blouse, white sailor hat; Mrs A. B. Reynolds, black crepon finished with jet, white hat trimmed with cream lace and ribbons; Miss Muriel George looked charming in a heliotrope costume; Miss Nellie Graham, navy serge tailor-made white vest, white sailor hat; Miss Kennedy, navy serge, white vest under black braid, brown sailor hat; Mrs T. Mahoney, heliotrope dress; Miss Lena Butters, stylish fawn costume, floral pink silk blouse, white hat; Mrs H. Griffiths, black silk skirt, pretty blue blouse, sailor hat; Mrs C. Griffiths, blue velvet blouse, dark skirt; Miss Kelsher looked pretty in pink floral muslin, chic white hat; Miss Edmiston blue velvet, cream jabot, black boa, white hat; Miss Nellie Edmiston looked dainty in black serge, fur bon; Mrs MacArthur, dark green and

black silk trimmed with jet fringe, floral bonnet; Mrs Morpeth, navy blue tailor-made costume, orange silk blouse, navy and white hat; Miss F. Hudson, white pouge, white sailor hat; Miss Mabel Hudson, heliotrope and white muslin; Mrs Metcalf, black serge, jet bonnet; Miss Laura Haven, pretty maize muslin blouse, black skirt, sailor hat, etc.

PHYLIS BROUNE.

HAMILTON.

Dear Bee, November 6.
On Saturday evening, 30th ult., a pleasant

EUCHRE PARTY

was given by Mrs McGlashan, the occasion being a visit from her daughter (Mrs T. G. Sandes) and a young lady friend, Miss Kissing (Auckland). There were three tables. Miss Hume was the fortunate winner of the first prize, a flower vase; Miss C. Wallnutt, who played as gentleman, won the prize, an inkstand, Miss Barry and Miss I. Cussen being boobies.

Miss Wright (Auckland) is at present on a visit to Mrs (Dr.) Kenny.

On Friday evening, 5th inst., a

SURPRISE PARTY

of nineteen friends visited Mr and Mrs Stevens, Hamilton East, and spent a very pleasant evening at progressive euchre. Mrs Brookfield won first lady's prize, a dainty teapot; Mr J. Edgcombe, first gentleman, a pretty photo frame; the booby prizes falling to Miss C. Wallnutt and Mr Adams.

Mrs Brookfield (Wanganui) is on a visit to Mrs Sandes just now.

Dr. E. Irewis (England) is staying with his brother, Dr. Seymour Irewis.

ZILLA.

DUNEDIN.

Dear Bee, November 6.

On Monday evening Mrs James Mills (Mount Lodge) gave a

LARGE DINNER PARTY

in honour of Miss Webster and Mr Chaffey. The table was most gracefully decorated with sprays of wattle blossom. Those present were:—Mrs Mills, in a handsome white brocade dress, diamond tiara and star; Mrs K. Turnbull (Linnburn Station), black satin, white satin trimmings, and pearl passementerie; Mrs Rose, handsome black satin, trimmings of jet; Miss Webster, pale blue corded silk, trimmed with Brussels lace and pink roses; Miss S. Webster, turquoise blue brocade, the bodice trimmed with frills of blue chiffon; Miss Chaffey (Culverden), black satin, cherry-coloured silk sleeves and sash; Miss Mills, bright rose brocade; Miss Reid (Elderslie), black satin and white lace; Miss Williams, heliotrope satin, black trimmings; Messrs Mills, Turnbull, Webster, Chaffey, Sergeant, Rydome, Ritchie, Captain Craddock, etc., were the men.

On Wednesday, November 3, the wedding between Miss Rosie Webster and Mr Chaffey took place at All Saints' Church. As the description of it will be a very long one, I have to postpone it until next week, when a full account will appear.

The evening of the same day Mrs Sinclair Thomson gave a

MOST ENJOYABLE DANCE

for the bridesmaids—Miss S. Webster, Miss G. Webster, Miss Chaffey (Culverden). Most of the people present were wedding guests. The hall and drawing-room presented a most brilliant appearance with quantities of pot plants, flowers, and shaded lights; the ball-room decorations consisted of greenery, broom, and fairy lights, and one end of it was arranged as a drawing-room. The supper table looked very dainty with green, lilies, pheasant's eye, and narcissi in high specimen vases. Mr and Mrs Thomson received their guests just inside the drawing-room. The latter wore a most handsome pink brocade, and carried a lovely ostrich feather fan. Those present were:—Mrs Webster, lovely black satin trimmed with black chiffon and jet; Mrs Turnbull (Linnburn), black satin, bodice trimmed with white satin and pearl passementerie; Mrs Gould (Oamaru), blue chine silk; Mrs Mills, white brocade, frills of white chiffon; Mrs MacMaster (Tokaraha), lovely yellow corded silk; Mrs Burbury (Oamaru), handsome pale green brocade; Mrs Garland (Oamaru), black satin, pearl ornaments; Miss Webster, blue brocade; Miss G. Webster, pink satin, pink