### AUCKLAND.

DEAR BEE, JULY 25.
The Auckland Savage Club is most hospitable. At SECOND OPEN NIGHT

second open night edge. Second open night edge. Second open night edge. Mrs. Sidor Alexander was in black lace over black silk, relieved with a bunch of violets; Miss Cora Alexander, blue Empire cashmere gown: Mrs. Tewsley, black velvet frock with long pink opera cloak with white fur; Mrs. Jackson (H.M.S. Katoornab, black lace with beliotrope steeves and trimmings; Mrs. Mope Lewis, handsone white cashmere; Mrs. Hudde, simple white dress with color with the cashmere with corress and trimmings; Mrs. Mope Lewis, handsone white cashmere; Mrs. Hudde, simple white dress with cloud white cashmere with corres leve; and a third, black relivet; Miss Murray, grey; Miss. Scherff looked extenuely well in white cashmere with correst leve; and a third, black relivet; Miss Mids. Nellie Scherff was pretty in pink plack, with reliew ostrich tip in her hair; Miss Rich, white cashmere with relief with large pink silk sleeves; Mrs. Rich, brown velvet, with yellow ostrich tip in her hair; Miss Rich, white cashmere with red velvet zouave jacket; Miss Hidal Lewis, black silk with royal blue bebs eleves; and tenton bluewich olack silk with royal blue bebs eleves; and tenton bluewich olack with silk many college. Mrs. Rich, white cashmere with the lace; Miss N. Kilgour, black with blue bebs eleves and Empire sash; Misses Kert-Taylor, pinks and green ribbone; Miss Barnes, black lace, and tartan sleeves and sash; Mrs. Mr. Arlane, black hore, blue plush opera cape; Mrs. Nashelski, brown silk; and her daughter was charming in black net, with spot, and yellow silk birds sleeves; Miss R. K. Kecaing, black silk with red opera cloak; Miss Skeats, black; Miss Phillips, navy skirt and azur blue cashmers bodiev; Miss Prite, white crepon; Miss Ewa Rich, black with gold braided zouave jacket.

DRESSES Worn At Third DANCE Of PONSONBY At HOME.'
Some of the frocks were very lovely. The following is a complete list: Mrs Bastard, black; Mrs. B. Buchanan, deep ceram

with gold braided zousve jacket.

DRESSERS WORN AT HIRD DANCE OF PONSONBY 'AT HOME.'

Some of the frocks were very lovely. The following is a complete list: Mrs Bestand, black; Mrs E. Buchanan, deep cream dress; Mrs E. W. Burton, pale sea green and pink: Mrs Cattanch, pale green; Mrs Cotter, handsone black silk with sleeves of black and white checked silk; Mrs Crawshaw, complete black costume; Mrs Cruickshank, black silk and lace; Mrs Devore, lovely claret silk with plush opera cloak; Mrs J. R. Hanna, black figured silk richly trimmed with lace: Mrs Hughes, black silk; Mrs Kotly, black, with white lace cap; Mrs Kirker wore a very handsome gown of pear crey figured silk; if in the trimmings of climate velvae; Mrs Macindoe, black silk; Mrs Mahooey, white dress trimmid with a delicate tint of green; Mrs Morrin, black; Mrs Parkinson, gown of dark corded material; Mrs Raiph, cream; Miss Bach, cream; Miss Bach, and old gold; Miss Hottle Bastard, pale blue; Miss Beate, cream: Miss Bach, cream; Miss Bach, black intimmed with velvet to match; Miss Davidson, lovely cream dress with sleeves and Watteau of energial green volvet; Miss Lace, cream; Miss Headland, black and old gold; Miss Hottle Bastard, pale blue; Miss Betha, peari; grey and gold; Miss Hottle Bastard, pale blue; Miss Betha, peari grey and gold; Miss Hay, cream; Miss Headland, black and love green; Miss Hickson, pale blue and white; Miss Luid looked well in white silk brocade with rich trimmings of olive green; Miss Hickson, pale blue and white; Miss Luid looked well in white silk brocade with rich trimmings of olive green; Miss Hickson, pale blue and white; Miss Luid looked well in white silk brocade with rich trimmings of olive green; Miss Hickson, pale blue and white; Miss Luid looked well in white silk brocade with rich trimmings of olive green; Miss Hickson, pale of the development of the pale of the mon-coloured velvet; Miss Maho Macindoe, pretty maize cashnere, black velvet trimmings of old gold volvet; Miss Stores wore a black dress with trinualings o

DRESSES WORN AT MRS ATKINSON'S DANCE, PARNELL.

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An applogy is due to certain of the Grad-Hiof readers for a mistake which occurred in connection with the above dance in last week's issue. The names and dresses worn at Mrs Sowerby's dance were unfortunately put in as belonging to those who attended Mrs Atkinson's. The following is a correct list of Mrs Atkinson, bales slike, Miss M. Atkinson, bale blue; Miss M. Atkinson boxed protty in white and coquell-cut ribbons. Mrs Rich, groy slike, Miss W. Hich was in white, and the blue; Miss Miss Land pink; Miss Lyclic handsome white silk; Miss Whistler, lemon silk; Miss Powers, pretty black dress with pink sleeves; Mrs Mahoney, flowered silk; Miss Reeves looked well in pink satin; Miss Von Sturner, brown volvet; Miss Clapcott, cardinal and black; Miss James, blue; Miss E, Hill, pretty black are sister, black and cardinal.

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The following are the dresses worn at the Parnell Tennis Club (Social: "have Ord. Hasines, black silk: Mes Blair, black dress; Mrs Dennison, blark with pink trimmings: Mrs Thorne-George, Mrs Dennison, blark with pink trimmings: Mrs Thorne-George, Mrs Dennison, blark with pink trimmings: Mrs Thorne-George, black lace with cardinal cloak; and hor daughter, white; Miss Mowbray, handsone black silk edged with let; Mrs Blomfield looked lovely in white silk trimmed with sold. Mrs Taylor, white and one: Misses Von Sturmer (two pretty for the control of the co

PHYLLIS BROUNE,

# WELLINGTON.

DEAR BEE,

RECEPTION AT GOVERNMENT HOUSE came off too late for my last letter, so I will give you the frocks now. Of the numerous well-dressed guests, Laiy Hector wore a

handsome mantle edged with beaver, small bonnet to match; lady Campbell, black, small black and gold boundt with red sigrette; Mrs Haddield, handsome black costume; Mrs H. Becham, handsome grey gown, with Kraff and hold the handsome black costume; Mrs H. Becham, handsome grey gown, with Kraff and hovely smill coloured cloth with ruby velvet sleaves, lapels and bands round the hem, ruby velvet bonnet trimmed with cream lace and aigrette; Mrs D. Riddiford, slate tweed flecked with white, black velvet bat, black tips; Mrs Adams, light brown check trimmed with fur, brown bonnet: Mrs Ferguson, tobacco brown tweed with slike blouse, and Empires and tirece, blue tweed trimmed with lapels of blue velvet; Mrs W. Johnston, handsome black, gold and jot bonnet; Mrs Fell, grey tweed; Mrs Hown, brown and yellow cordurey cloth, hat to match with feathers; Mrs Collins, seal-skin coat, brown bonnet with Lais; Mrs Rebeic, handsome green and fawn contume; Mrs R. Hart, seniskin coat, brown bonnet with Lais; Mrs Rebeic, handsome green and fawn contume; Mrs R. Hart, seniskin coat, brown bonnet with Lais; Mrs Rebeic, handsome green and fawn contume; Mrs R. Hart, seniskin coat, brown bonnet with Lais; Mrs Rebeic, handsome green and fawn contume; Mrs R. Hart, seniskin coat, brown bonnet with Lais; Mrs Rebeic, handsome green and fawn contume; Mrs R. Hart, seniskin coat, transcream, and skir, red plaid silk blouse bodice. Miss Burnett, grey tweed, large feather hat; Miss Hector, grey flecked tweed, black hat; Miss Grabam, peacork cloth, fawn hat with peacock feathers; Miss Grabam, peacork cloth, fawn hat with peacock feathers; Miss Grabam, peacork cloth, fawn hat with peacock feathers; Miss Grabam, peacork cloth, fawn hat with peacock feathers; Miss Grabam, peacork cloth, fawn hat with peacock feathers; Miss Grabam, peacork cloth, fawn hat with peacock feathers; Miss Grabam, peacork cloth, fawn hat with peacock feathers; Miss Grabam, peacork cloth, fawn hat with peacock feathers; Miss Grabam, peacork cloth, fawn hat with peacock feathers

AT THE RACES.

His Excellency the Governor was present, also the Countess in Aubergine cloth dress triumed with black satin, bonnet with albergine and old gold tips. There were also the Misses Wanhepe, Russell, Grace, Wardell, Johnston, Izard, Jackson, Copier, desdames Scales, Riddford, Rhodes, O'Rorke, Crawford, Bell, Vardrop, etc. atc.

His Excollency the Governor was present, also the Countess In Aubergine and old gold tips. There were also the Misses Wauchop, Itassell, Grace, Wartell, Johnston, Ezard, Jackson, Coper, Mardrop, etc., etc.

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Dersesses at the Star Boatins Ball.

Lady Glasgow, who was accompanied by His Excollency, wore a magnificent gown or rich wine-coloured sain, handsomely brocaded with stripps of a large patiern of roses, and suffened about the low coreage with alec, and she wore her lovely diamonds; and the low coreage with alec, and she wore her lovely diamonds; and sleeves; Miss Motroyd, black trimmed with green ribbons. Capt. Clayton also accompanied them, the Field wore her wording gown; Mrs Hotyrod, black trimmed with green ribbons. Capt. Clayton also accompanied them. Her Field wore her wording gown; Mrs Hotyrod, black trimmed with green ribbons. Capt. Clayton also accompanied them. Her Field wore her wording gown; Mrs Hotyrody, black trimmed with green ribbons. Capt. Clayton also accompanied them. Her Field wore her wording gown; Mrs Hotyrody, black trimmed with green ribbons. Capt. Clayton also accompanied them. Her Field wore his word with the property of the more many than the property of the more many th

#### CHRISTCHURCH.

DEAR BEE,

JULY 20.

The LADIES GOLF CLUB, are practising hard for the match to come off on Monday next for Mrs Campbell's medal in Hagiey Fack. The links have been enlarged and improved since the last match, and no doubt their play will have improved also, and unless the weather is very atractions that will be an improvement too, for it was vile last time. time. Mrs Burns had a charming but

BMALL MUNICAL APTERNOON
at the Bank house, Hereford street, on Thursday. Her own singing is always so sweet and gives one real pleusure. Miss Rich,
with her violin, played charmingly, too. Mrs Hoslam, Mrs
Westmacott, and Mr H. Reeves also sing very nively.
The concert of Chamber music organised by Mr F. M. Wallace

takes place this evening in the Provincial Council Chambers, Every sost is taken, and a very great treat is anticipated. The great question. Are we a missical community f is not any nearment of the subscript of

The LILIECTIAN OFRRA COMPANY closed a very good season on Saturday. The Gondoliers' being ospecially pleasing, the children's acting and dawning being quite opact to their olders. Miss Mitchell as Mabel in The Pirates of Fenzance's was a wonderful success, being encored again and again for ber waltz song, and after appearing four times the curtain was lowered. During the week I have seen there br. and Mrs Guthrie, Mr and Mrs Louisson, Mr and Mrs Gibbs, Mr and Mrs Greenwood, Mr and Mrs Wood, Mr and Mrs Gibbs, Mr and Mrs Gerick, Misses Way, Hargreaves, Hale, Courage, Holmes, Thomason, Kenphorne, Mr and Mrs Sout, Mr and Mrs R, Maccionaid, Mr c all Mrs Heinderson, Mrs W. Steinger, Mrs Quane, Mrs B, Fisher, Mrs C, Cook and others.

A very

BUCCESSFUL DANCE

was given in the Montreal-street Hait by the members of the Merivale Football Club as a return to the ladies who lately gave them their bandsome banner. The gallery was arranged as a drawing-room, and all the arrangements were well carried out. The children ball to the spanish officers next week with be quite an event. I am told they cannot speak a word of English, but hope it an exaggeration, or putture the amount of vital force we shall have to expend in such a one-sided arrangement. The ball takes place in the Provincial Council Chambers, the prettiest hall in the town for a function of the kind.

The Salvage Club continues to attract our brethren. They purpose entertaining the Spanish officers at a choice evening.

OUR FOLKS.

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Dr. Morton Anderson is about to visit the Old Country, leaving by the Coptic next week. He only purposes making a flying visit, roturning under the six months.

Mr and Mrs Kimbell returned to the colony by the Rinnutaka. Their numerous Christchurch friends gladly welcomed them back.

DOLLY VALE.

### TIMARU.

DEAR BEE,

You will certainly think our poor little town has been wiped off the map, but really there has been nothing to write about. No one has ever known such a thoroughly dull season.

An effort was made to infrase a little lite into society by starting ASSEMBLY HALLS to be held every fortnight—an excellent idea which I hope will need with the success it morits. The first was rather unfortunate, being held on no ovening, which besides turning out very wet, had been fixed upon for one or two other events, at small in their way, but sufficient to spoil each other.

There have been some PROBLESSIVE EUCHRE PARTIES given at different houses. Mrs Gradon Wood has had several, entered to the conversal of the conversal of the property of the universal entered he that hatterly the universal

given at different houses. Mrs Grodon Wood has had several, which have been very enjoyable, but latterly the universal epidemic of measies has stopped ful visiting.

Next week we are to have the Pollard Lilipution Opera Company hore, and I hope that will only by the beginning of brighter times. Several functions are to come off next month—

THE PRODUCTION OF OPPENBACH'S 'MAIABLE PAVART' BY THE THARC AMATEL'S under Mr Sydney Wolf. They are always extremely good, and judging by the careful rehearsing and Bitle bits one hears about the dresses, ofe. in course of preparation, this venture should be by no means the least successful. One or two waddings are also in concemplation, an account of which I will give you in due

season.

I think the fashions this winter, especially in cloaks, are particularly handsome. I have noticed several lately that I have admired greatly.

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Mrs Bristol is wearing a very precty one, with the usual three capes eiged with fur; Mrs F. Le Crea, a hand-ome black broaded into the first of the control of the control

A MOST SUCCESSFUL COOKING SEASON,

and is now publishing a book of all her recipes.

ESTELLE.

# NELSON.

DEAR BEE,

A delightful evening was spent by those who went to THE CONCRET
given by Messra Prouse and Williams, of Wellington. There were only two Nelson singers taking part in the concert, and they of creening satin, riely rimmed with lace; and discy who was gowned in black silk with spray of red poppies on the low corsage. Among the audience were Ms C W atts (Bienheim), wenting a bandsome cloak of cream broche edged with fur; Mrs Percy Admon, heliotrope gown, cream choak; Mrs J. Slarp, protty robe of pale blue veiling with black silk. Mrs Party Admon, heliotrope gown, cream choak; Mrs J. Slarp, protty robe of pale blue veiling with black silk. Mrs Party Note, and three bands or velved on the skirt. Mrs K. Kingdon, plush cloak; Mrs Pitt, black silk. Mrs Pott, black silk with standard silk in the skirt of the sister wore a green cloak lined with pink silk; Miss Unris, pink silk bloues, dark skirt; Miss Jones, long white cloak; Mrs Fell, bright red cloak; Mrs Fell, Diright red cloak; Mrs Fell, Olicton), black silk; Miss Unris, pink silk bloues, dark skirt; Miss Jones, long white cloak; he heliotrope broche, trained; Misses Gibson, Akinson, Tudahil, Gibbs, Morgan, B. Richnoud, Kempthorne, Catley, Sealy two-heaps, Brond, Dorter, Lightloot, Mabin, Fell stwo, Hurstbusse, the accompaniments, was gowned in a black evening dress.

Some falleaux were given at the Theater Royal last. Thurshy in aid of St. Mary's Convent building fund.

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evening was given by Mrs Markay, when about twenty wern pre
sent, including Mr and Mrs R. Kingdon, who by the way, were
the winners of the two first prizes; Mr and Mrs B. Sold, Mr and
Mrs J. Sharp, Mr and Mrs Porcy Adams, Mrs C. Watts Blenheimt, Dr. and Miss Roberts, Miss Scaly, Miss G. Jonos, Miss
Curtis, Mr Macquarie, Mr Fox, Mr Lunn, Mr H. Marshall. Mrs
and Miss Mackay did all they could to make the veening pass
Notison has Jecus furthy gay lately. The Misses Rockfort had a
very successful theatrical evening last week. Simm charades
were performed, at the end of which dancing was indused in
until a late hour. A number of their friends were present. Mesdames Preshaw, Tomlinson, Cuthbertson, Washbourne, Misses
Meddings (Christeburch), Miss Gibbs (two), Misses Mathin, Cuthbortson, Preshaw, Matheson (Invercargill), Catley, etc.

Phyllis.