# Soriety Gossip.

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#### DRESSES WORN AT PONSONBY REGATTA.

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THE OFFICERS OF H.M.S. CURACOA AND AUCKLAND POLO CLUBS AFTERNOON TEA.

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If I make any mistakes in the ladies' dresses please excuse me, Hee, as it would be impossible to have all perfectly correct. Everybody was on the stand when larrived, but soon after the rain began and cloaks were put on, but got a little peep of some control of the stand when larrived, but soon after the rain began and cloaks were put on, but got a little peep of some control of the stand when larrived, but soon after the rain began and cloaks were put on, but got a little peep of some control of the stand when larrived, but soon after the rain began and cloaks were put on, but got a little peep of some control of the stand when the lady wearing a stylish corall pink relieved with going provided in the style of the style of the style style of the style style of the style of the style of the style of the style style of the style of the style style of the style o

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black sailor hat; Mrs (Irr. Scott, a very stylish bisonit-coloured
bloiland, white vest, blacuit-coloured hat with feathers are saile;
Miss Wylde-Browne, likac and white striped co-tume; Miss Kocherff, narrow black and white striped co-tume; Miss Kocherff, narrow black and white striped co-tume; Miss Kocherf, narrow black and white striped co-tume; Miss Kocherf, narrow black and white striped co-tume; Miss Lewis, matrifixing black acacher, but with plak roses; Miss Ledingham, fawn
ribbed gown with blue yoke and trinmings, sailor hat;
Miss Wikkins looked pretty in navy skirt, pink blouse, white
sailor hat; Miss Keesing, stylish brown bolland, white vest and

black ribbons, brick-coloured gem; Mrs Cheeseman, fawn skirt, black velvet band veiled in fawn lace, fawn volvet zonave, black lace toque with green ribbons and aigrotic. Mrs Walker if'artact toque and signotic Mrs Walker if'artact toque and signotic. Mrs Walker if'artact toque and signotic Mrs Walker if'artact to the signosis black laces doiman; her daughter, grey with brown illimines, black laces doiman; her daughter, service with brown illimines, black laces black with pink rowes; Miss Orlicily, navy skirt, blue blouse, white gem hat; Miss Orlicily, navy skirt, blue blouse, white gem hat; Miss Heeva, cornflower blue skirt, white bodire, burnt strew sailor hat; Mrs W. Hloomfield, navy skirt with black braid, white brief of sight-crowned sailor hat; Wils Smith, black braided held sight-crowned sailor hat; Miss Smith, black braided skirt, white blouse, white hatlor bat. Miss Forton, hrown skirt, white shirt, blue necktie, sailor bat; Miss Smith, black braided skirt, white blouse and gem; Mrs Schnidt, black lace with black beads, black bonnot; Mrs G. Coates, black skirt, white blouse and gem; Mrs Schnidt, black lace with black beads, black bonnot; Mrs G. Coates, black skirt, white blouse, white shirt, white blouse, and gom.

Amongst the gentlemen I have noticed Mr Toombe, dark navy suit, white sailor hat; Mr W. Hand Hotchkart, navy suit, white sailor hat; Mr W. Levis, grey trousers and vest mode, lightfully cool cream silk dust coat, small sailor hat; Mr W. Bloomfield, grey suit with red geraniums, black felt hat; Mr Diese draud is art folks and korchlof placed round is art folk at Wilse Braid and white braid are slore with the deramines, black felt hat; Mr W. Bloomfield, grey suit with red geraniums, black felt hat; Mr W. Bloomfield, grey suit with red geraniums, black felt hat; Mr W. Bloomfield, grey suit with red geraniums, black felt hat; Mr W. Bloomfield, grey suit with red geraniums, black felt hat; Mr W. Bloomfield, grey suit with red geraniums, black felt hat; Mr W. Bloomfield, grey suit with red geraniu

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DRESSER WORN AT ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE SPORTS

Here are a few of those worn. To tell the truth, I was too much interested in the sports to notice spectators. Mrs Heather, handinterested in the sports to notice spectators. Mrs Heather, handstate where the state of the spectators was the state. The state of the stat

There is a general feeling of regret at the unexpected death of Miss Pearce, who was a well-known figure at many social kalherings and outdoor amusements. She was an only child, and much sympathy is felt for her bereaved parents.

PHYLLIS BROUNE.

### CHRISTCHURCH.

NOVEMBER 30.

I have just acrived at the conclusion that we are in a chronic state of coming to the end of things, having just been to the last of the Orchestral Soviety's concerts for the season. The Musical Society are in a flutter over the 'Messiah,' which is to be given in the Cathedral again this year, their last concert of the season, and 'to be or not to be 'amalgamated is the question, and now in only a few short weeks comes the end of the year, so averything just now seems fleeting away.

AFTERNOON RECEPTION BY THE COUNTESS OF GLASGOW

ATTENDON RECEITION BY THE COUNTESS OF GLASGOW was very numerously attended. Amongst those present were mes Hunter-Busin, who looked very bright and pretty in a croam with double skirt, edged to with deep yellow covered with lace, cream hat and feathers; Mrs Okroke, rich black silk trimmed with bands of eeru lace, pretty hat, feather boa; Mrs Ithodes, handsome black costume; Niels thin her bonnet; Mrs Palmer, rich black costume; Mrs Lee, blue and white crépon, lace trimmed; Mrs Mcampbell, lack silk, white vest, and puffs veiled with lace; Miss Campbell, black silk, white vest, and puffs veiled with lace; Miss Campbell, black silk, white vest, and puffs veiled with lace; Miss Campbell, black silk, white vest, and puffs veiled with lace; Miss Campbell, black silk, white vest, and puffs veiled with lace; Miss Campbell, black silk, white vest, and puffs veiled with lace; Miss Act of the Misses of the mount of the mount of the Misses of the Misse

Wilding, Mrs H. Rhodes, Mrs Alister Clark, Mrs Westmacott, and many others.

THE ORCHESTRAL CONCEUT.

Mr Wallace and the orchestra are alike to be congratulated on such a succe-sful performance. Mrs Francis-Anderson sang charmingly, and looked very pretty in white broads with bebodies, and square cut train, and white lace fluunce across the front of the skirt with pink roses in her hair broads with bebodies, and square cut train, and white lace fluunce across the front of the skirt with pink roses in her hair and on the bodies. Among the numerous audience were Judge and Mrs Benniston. Among the numerous audience were Judge and Mrs Benniston. Among the numerous audience were Judge and Mrs Benniston. Among the numerous audience were Judge and plush cloak; Miss Meares, grey silk trimmed with black lace; the Misses W. and M. Meares, white, with white facher fans; Mrs Westmacott, in cream dress; Mrs Wilding, black, and electric blue cloak; Mrs F. M. Wallace, black lace over grey silk; Professor and Mrs Clook, the latter looking very nice in pale pink with cardimal plush cloak; Mrs Harley, very handsome helictorpe silk with gold silk trimmed with white lace; Mrs I. Gibbs, terra-cotta curded silk and velvet peacock cloak with feather trimming; Mrs W. Wilson looked well in cleatric blue; Mademoiselle Paquiere, black sevening dress with white lace and apray of roses on the bodie; Mrs Misses Harceaves, black, with old gold plush put sleeves and cress with rose pink silk trimming; Mrs Harley wilson, black with lace shik with lace shoulder full; Mrs Millon, black with white lace; Mrs Robb, black velvet, the bodiec trimmed with harles one with hardsone white lace; Mrs Robb, black velvet, Mrs A. Anderson, pute blue and terra-cotta silk with lace shoulder full; Mrs Millon, black with white lace; Mrs Robb, black velvet, Mrs A. Macroson, ble blue and terra-cotta silk with lace shoulder full; Mrs Millon, black with hards and with silk place; Mrs Harley, Prety black with and the dress, pale grey cloak linked with pink silk, lovel

#### **NELSON.**

THE PALMEN-BEAUMONT COMPANY, who have been so well patronised during their visit to Nelson, brought a most successful season to a close last Naturday night, when there were present, Mesdames Pitt, Scaly, Romwick, Leciger, De Castro, Scarfe, Bunny, Howen, Macquarrio, Lightfoot, Richmond, Misses Ledger Liwol, Ronwick, Rubison, Harris, Foll, Durf, Richmond, Hesps, Frear, Bowen, Souly, Culthberton, ote, Mrs Mackay gave an enjoyable afternoon tea last Thursday, so this form of entertainment still holds the own here. Another de-

lightful entertainment was a small dinner-party given by Mr and Mrs Roger Kingdon last Thursday evening. At MRS MACKAYS APTERNOUN TEA there were present Mosdanes Hunny, Eliot Eliot, Huntly-Eliot (Wellington), Roberts, J. Sharn, ct. Kingdon, A. Glasguw, L. Adans, Misses Jones, Curtis, Roberts, etc.

At the

AGRICULTURAL ASSOCIATION'S SHOW

At the AGRICULTURAL ASSOCIATION'S SHOW to day numbers were present, among others Mrs Allch Hurnes, in white drill costume, spotted blouse, sailor hat; Mrs Thornton, blue striped serge, sailor hat; Mrs J. Sharp, yellow flowered gown with brown emboseed zonawe, brown straw hat with chiffon bows; Mrs R. Kingdon, spotted zephy; black hat with chiffon bows and pict tips; Mrs Bunny, flowered magenta gown, black hat with pink roses; Mrs Markay, Mrs L. Adams, black sail with pink roses; Mrs Markay, Mrs L. Adams, black sail frowning, Mrs Molesworth faws rown, braited, hat in with Mrs Michael and Mrs Molesworth faws rown, braited, hat in with Mrs Michael and Mrs Molesworth faws rown, braited, hat in with the distribution, shot costume, and pretty hat en saile; Mrs T. Glasgow (Wellington), shot costume, and pretty hat en saile; Mrs T. Glasgow (Wellington), shot costume, and pretty hat en saile; Mrs T. Glasgow (Wellington), shot costume, and pretty hat en saile; Mrs T. Glasgow (Wellington), shot costume; Mrs Miss Hurnes, Mrs Wood, iss Hell, Miss Pitt; Mrs T. the well with the sail with the saile with the saile

ANNOAL DOO SHOW
was held last Friday, and there were several exhibits, but the attendance was decidedly poor; in fact, must have resulted in a loss
to the Society.

#### DUNEDIN.

DEAR BEE, NOVEMBER 23.

Things have been a little brighter during the past week, the show, etc., varying the usual mild galeties that make life endurable.

EUCHER LARTY
given by Misa Ziele was much enloyed. Quite a large number took part in the kanne pluy going on at about haif-a dezen tables. The lady who won most gainus was Mrs Finch. Miss Hirms obtained the second laddes' prize. Among some pretty dresses Miss Ziele were a black and heliotrope gown: Mrs Cantrill, a smart heliotrope silk blouse with fark skirt; Mrs Finch, black silk; Miss Sout, pretty dress of paic genen crépon with golden brown Wilson and Miss Luran, white: Miss L. Macketras, plack with brown silk these Hurn, white: Miss L. Macketras, plack with brown silk the miss Hurn, white: Miss L. Macketras, plack with brown silk the miss Hurn, white: Miss L. Macketras, plack with brown silk the miss Hurn, white: Miss Thi Stephenson, precon silk, figured with white; Mrs Arthur Fulton, handsome dress of black velvet, frill of white lace falling round the neck; Miss Kennedy also wore black velvet, the bodice trimmed with white lace.

with the exception of the tea, were among the topics of interest, for the gale made the sports not quite so enjoyable. Mrs Coughtry invited guests to enjoy tea in a private tent. Others partook of the refreshing beverage in the shedts. Mrs Allan Holmes wore black, with black hat. Mrs Lindo Fernison, may blue skirt and gauser jacket edged with gold braid over a light shad, white straw pink bonnes. Miss Sies, blue serge costume, with shirt of the gold braid over a light shad with the straw pink bonnes. Miss Sies, blue serge costume, with shirt of the gold braid over a light shirt of the gold braid over a light shirt of the gold braid over a light print of the gold braid over a light print of the gold braid over a light braid of the gold braid over the gold braid of the gold bra

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at her residence, Anderson's Bay. Centrary to expectations, the
weather proved fine, although it continued very uncertain during
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far apart and reaching nearly to the waist, councy jacket worn
over a vest of heliotropa, little black but with white flawers; Alisa
Wright, black serge, with bodies long at the back and fastened
with a bell, zouave shape in front, worn over a heliotrope bodies,
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and she was of white cropon of heliotrope. Miss Maitand,
white, and alsews of white cropon with narrow attribes of yoliow
and blue silk, large white hat; Miss Reynolds, a costume of the
coloured cloth, the zonave jacket worn aver a shirt of blue and
white, hat of aun-burnt straw with blue band; Miss L Roberts,
grey and blue. Miss Sig, him and white crotin dress; Miss F,
Sice, hack cloth, with shirt; Miss G, Rattray, a blue linen costime of the cost of the server.

otago tennis courts of the occasion of the opening of the graces courts for the summer season. Tho lawns and pavilion presented a gay scene at four o'clock, when quite a number of ladies and gortlemen had arrived. There were plenty of players present, so continued games went on in four or the organization of players present, so continued games went on in four or the ground. The entertained was plented in the daying any rain, and the day was fine and plausant, alltime in oil baving any rain, and the day was fine and plausant, alltime in oil baving any rain, and the day was fine and plausant, alltime in oil baving any rain, and the day was fine and plausant, alltime in oil baving any rain and overything themselves with wrank the fortunately were not necessary. Ten was served in the pavillon, and overything possible done to enable the visitors to enjoy themselves. The ladies who played tennis ware (with very few exceptioned data white, and with looking remarkably cool and nice. Miss Marassey were a yellow bodie; Miss Spance, pink; Miss Melonald, white; Miss E Gilkison, blue and white cotton; Miss L. McKerras, Miss Bundard, Miss M. Kemplohrum, Miss N. Cilkkson, Miss Moody, Miss Septit, all wore light shirts.