

an hour than from weeks studying hard books. The position of the hotel is unrivalled. It is in the very centre of the most wonderful corner of this thrice wonderful country. It is not strange, therefore, that

**EXTENSIVE ENLARGEMENTS TO THE POPULAR HOUSE**

linen, and flower decorations are fully equal to any high-class European hotel. The new wing shown on the left picture contains bedrooms and private suites. Spotless cleanliness is everywhere. Spring beds, good carpets, and attendance are all admirable. The cuisine is excellent.

jectionable native element and rowdyism. All the other arrangements are very good. The drawing-rooms are homelike, and the smoking-room is also snug. Particulars concerning the genial host and hostess, other outdoor improvements, etc., more anon.



have been found necessary. A brief description may not be out of place.

The Geyser Hotel has been so much renovated, enlarged, and improved that it is practically a new building. A handsome dining-room has recently been added, and upwards of fifty guests can now be seated. The glass, table-

Picnic lunches especially are thoughtfully prepared. The wine is of the best quality, and prices are moderate. The latest improvement consists of a very large billiard room with a capital table; and there is also a separate bar-room for Maoris now erected, apart from the hotel. This most important improvement means entire freedom from theob-

We must not, however, stop longer in the hotel if the sights of Whakarewarewa are to be seen. But here one may well pause abashed. How can the extraordinary turbulence, the deviltry of this place be described in words? It is almost hopeless to attempt a description. It has been done so often, yet no description has or ever can convey any



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