

Mrs. Browning, white silk blouse, black skirt; Mrs. Hright, black costume; Mrs. W. Hright, black costume; Mrs. Vercoe, pretty grey caucas voile; Mrs. Adams, grey silk voile beautifully trimmed with chiffon and silk Maltese lace; Mrs. Blackburn, black dress; Mrs. Slade, dark brown costume; Mrs. Saxe, blue cloth costume; Mrs. Sheppard, black costume; Mrs. Hunter, black; Mrs. Quick, black and purple; Mrs. Mahon, black silk blouse, voile skirt; Mrs. Provia, black dress; Mrs. Primrose, black dress; Mrs. G. Matthew, black cloth costume; Mrs. Stevens, black dress; Miss Nixon (New Plymouth), pretty blue blouse, black skirt; Miss Newell, purple cloth; Miss Jolly, blue and white costume; Miss Hunter, purple blouse, black skirt; Miss Koche, navy costume; Miss P. Koche, crimson cloth; Miss Burd, black and scarlet dress; Miss Barton, cream blouse, dark skirt; Miss Chitty, pink blouse, black skirt; Miss Katie Chitty, crimson cloth frock; Miss Richards, dark green costume; Miss Noel, navy and white. Among the gentlemen were:—Dr. Brewis, Rev. E. Adams, Messrs. Sanders, Lord, Shaw, Blackburn, Birkmeyer, Hurd-Wood, Chitty, Bockett, Mahou, and others.

PHYLLIS BROWN.

NAPIER.

Dear Bee, May 13.
The Hawke's Bay hounds met at Fairfield last Saturday. A large field was present, including Mesdames A'Deane, Watson, Hassall, Harry Carlyon, Misses Inglis, Waterhouse, Russell, M. Russell, Foote, S. Skerman, Ward, Hobbs, Price, Johnson, Messrs H. Watson, G. Beaton, W. Small, J. B. A'Deane, H. Carlyon, Leithead, Price (3), R. White, Hugh White, W. McKenzie, T. Butler, etc.

On the same day the ladies of the Napier Golf Club played the second of the winter competitions, when Miss Balfour, 72—12—60, was successful. The best gross score was made by Miss Karauria 67, scratch 67. The handicapping was very close, ten-net scores ranging from 69 to 71. The prize on this occasion was presented by Mr. J. McVay. The next best scores in the match were those of Mrs. Antill, Mrs. J. Tareha, Miss Leila Davis, Miss Linda Davis, Miss Fanning, Miss M. Locking, Miss Davis, Mrs. Jardine and Miss Newbould. A large number of people were present, and much appreciated the delicious afternoon tea given by Mrs. J. T. Cato.

The ladies of the Maroro Hockey Club opened their season on Saturday, when a most interesting match took place. Amongst those taking part in it were—Mrs. Westall, Misses Todd (captain), Jardine, Goldsmith, Hill, Nevill, Simpson, Dean, etc.

Mrs. Wenley gave a children's fancy dress dance on Tuesday evening. The costumes were charming and varied, and the scene was a pretty one. The dance was kept up with spirit until nearly midnight. Perhaps Miss Alison Wenley was the belle of the evening, representing a charming little Japanese girl. Mrs. Wenley was handsomely dressed in an 18th Century costume. The powdered hair and patches suited her admirably. Miss Gladys Jardine looked well as a Dutch Girl, Master Basil Jardine a Montenegro Peasant, Master Leonard Jardine made a typical Cowboy, Miss Nina Broadley looked daintily as "Picquette," Miss Marjorie Antill was "Folly," Miss Justine Antill Samoan Girl; Miss Mollie Antill was much admired as a "Golden Butterfly"; Miss A. Morris made a sweet little "Forget-me-not," her costume was remarkably well got up.

MARJORIE.

HAWERA.

Dear Bee, May 9.
We had such splendid weather last Wednesday and Thursday for the two race days of the Egmont Winter Meeting. The sun shone gloriously, and there was just the lightest of breezes to keep the air fresh and exhilarating. Everything looked well-kept and green, and the course could not have been in better order. The club is to be congratulated on its new grandstand, which is a boon to everybody, as well as a great improvement on the old one. The racing was very fair, although the dividends were not very large on

either day. There was a good attendance of people on both days, although, of course, not as many as attend the February meeting. Amongst some of the ladies present I noticed: Mrs. R. H. Nolan, in a striking dress of grey, white facings, white silk front, large black hat, trimmed with black feathers; Mrs. Robinson (Eltham), very smart navy blue tailor-made dress, edged with red, black and white hat; Mrs. McLean, handsome black dress, black and red bonnet; Mrs. W. Gleum (nee Parsons, Mania), zibeline cloth costume of dahlia and grey shade, long basque coat, tight-fitting, and skirt, white silk front, dahlia shade felt hat, trimmed with long feather to match; Mrs. (Dr.) Harrison (Eltham), well-fitting green coat and skirt, white felt hat, trimmed with green; Mrs. Webster (nee Koch), a black cloth short Russian coat and skirt, white silk front, white hat, trimmed with blue flowers and ribbon to match; Miss Nancarrow (Christchurch), dark grey tweed Russian coat and skirt, pretty white hat; Miss Alexander wore a red coat and skirt, white hat; Mrs. Bridge (England), handsome black cloth tight-fitting dress, strapped with silk, black hat, trimmed with black feathers, large grey feather boa; Mrs. Charlie Bailey, a navy blue serge short coat and skirt, smart white felt hat, trimmed with red; Mrs. Major, a very pretty dress of cream embroidered canvas over pink silk, large black hat; Miss Williams, grey tweed Russian blouse and skirt, strapped with grey silk, tucked cream net front, beaver hat, trimmed with blue; Miss McLean, red dress, strapped with red velvet, black hat with touches of red; Mrs. Meek, brown tweed dress, white felt hat, trimmed with red; Mrs. Hamilton Wilson (nee Furlong) wore a stylish grey tweed dress with white silk facings, white felt hat, trimmed with purple velvet; Miss Baird, blue dress, red hat; Miss P. Baird, navy blue cloth coat and skirt, large tucked white silk collar, becoming hat of red straw, trimmed with red leaves; Miss Cutfield, smart frock of black cashmere, the body trimmed profusely with white silk embroidery, a handsomely trimmed skirt, smart red hat; Miss Douglas, in a very pretty black-voile dress, red hat; Mrs. Parrington, black dress, black and white coat, blue hat; Mrs. (Dr.) Westera, smart black and white dress, blue and white hat; Mrs. (Dr.) Paget wore a very smart dark green tight-fitting coat and skirt, pretty green hat; Mrs. E. D. Welsh, a grey tweed dress, black and white hat; Mrs. Buckley (India), dainty dress of black voile, black hat; Mrs. D. E. Fanning, blue tweed dress, black hat, trimmed with feathers; Mrs. Koch, Mrs. Gill-Carey, Mrs. Templer (Eltham), Miss Cowern, Miss Glenn (Mania), Miss Brewer, Miss Day, Miss Espagne, Mrs. Stevens, Mrs. Lovell, Mrs. O'Callaghan, Mrs. Baird, Mrs. Tonks, Misses Caplen (2), Mrs. Foyster, Misses Brett (2), Thomas, Courts, Nolan.

Last Tuesday night Misses Brewer and Cutfield held the first of their ANNUAL ASSEMBLIES in the Theatre Royal. They are to be congratulated on its success, as it was one of the most enjoyable small dances we have had for some time. The floor, of which they were rather afraid, was very good, and the music supplied by the Misses Flynn (2), piano and violin, and their brother (cornet), was all that could be desired. The supper was tastefully laid out at the back of the stage, and the hall very prettily decorated. The dance was only kept up until one o'clock, which was very wise, I think, the races being the next day. Miss Brewer wore a very pretty dress of pink silks; Miss Cutfield, a flowered delaine; Mrs. Nolan, black silk; Mrs. Hogg, handsome cream satin dress, trimmed with pink roses; Mrs. Lovell, black silk, white trimmings; Mrs. Jacob, yellow corded silk, the body covered with black net and ribbon; Miss Williams, black satin, deep berthe of lace on body; Miss Brett, white tucked muslin, inserted with lace, the body trimmed with violets; Miss V. Brett, white tucked silk, chiffon trimmings; Miss Nolan, black dress, very handsome pale blue crepe de chine coat, trimmed with Maltese lace; Miss Russell, black dress, relieved with red flowers; Miss Espagne, sky blue velvet, silver trimmings; Miss Greville; Missa Greville; Miss Winks; Miss Baird, white silk, turquoise blue velvet and choux; Miss P. Baird, white tucked silk, trimmed with chiffon; Miss McLean, cream brocade, trimmed with red flow-

ers; Miss Price; Miss Jackson; Misses Hamilton (2), (Manutahi); Miss Douglas, black satin; Miss Day; Miss Riddle (Normanby), white book muslin, trimmed with black bebe ribbon. Among the gentlemen were Messrs. Anderson, Parkinson, Gibson, Green, Parrington, Watson, Fraser, Hamilton (2) (Manutahi), Liddle, Norton, Trimman, Greville, H. Lysaght, Moore, McLean, Riddle (Normanby), Tonks, Douglas, Cooper, Mitchell (Mania), Lovell, Gordon.

THE GIRLS' HUAKI HOCKEY CLUB

is in full swing now, and promises to be just as successful this year as last. I think the team's trip to Wellington last winter has helped to make the players more eager than they have ever been. The Wellington tournament gives them something to practise for, and also something to look forward to. There are 13 new members, which clearly shows that the club is not going down at all. The colours have been changed to all navy blue dresses and pale blue ties. Last year they had navy blue and white. Miss Queenie Glenn, one of the best players in the team, will not be able to play in the Huaki team this year, as she has gone to the Wanganui College. She will be missed very much—but we must remember that Hawera's loss is Wanganui's gain.

THE PROGRESSIVE EUCHRE CLUB

has started again this winter, and the first evening, which was held at Mrs. Alexander's, South-road, last Friday, week, distinctly showed that they are to be just as enjoyable this winter as last. The next one is to be held on Friday night at Mrs. (Dr.) Westera's. They are held fortnightly at different houses.

Next Wednesday night there is to be a large ball given in the Opera House by the Hawera ladies. From all accounts it is going to be a very large, as well as a delightful, one, and everyone is looking forward to it. Mesdames Alexander, McLean, Courts, Koch, and Baird are the committee, and Misses Caplen and Dingle the secretaries. I must say, although Hawera is called dull, there are always a lot of dances for one to go to, and such nice ones, too. I have heard of several more coming off quite soon. ENA.

WANGANUI.

Dear Bee, May 18.
THE EGDMONT-WANGANUI HUNT CLUB

held their annual ball on Friday, May 8. There was only a fair attendance. The DeWitt Hall's decorations far exceeded those of any previous year. The walls were adorned with punga, nikau palms, flags, streamers, bunting, and greenery, of every description—the work of a committee of ladies. At intervals there were large mirrors, saddles, bits, spurs, whips, horns and oddments of hunting gear, and the colours of the Hunt Club (scarlet and white) were conspicuous throughout. Most up-to-date music was supplied by Messrs O'Hara and Gilbey's orchestra. The stage was converted into a cosy drawing-room with easy chairs and sofas. The far end of the hall, screened off as a supper-room, was admirably arranged, and reflected the greatest credit on those responsible. A large table extending the width of the hall was laden with everything a supper table should have, and all most beautifully served—turkeys, swan, ducks, chickens, hams, peacocks, tongues, mayonnaise, oyster patties, chicken pies, trifles, jellies, fruit salads, sweets, etc., etc., with delicious claret cup, soup, and sparkling champagne. The table arrangement was most artistic. Scarlet and white shades on the numerous lamps and candles were daintily made with crinkled paper and ribbons. White cosmea, with erianthus, bulbs, berries and autumn leaves, were prettily blended in bowls, supported by wooden stands made in the form of hunting crops. A suspended basket filled with the same flowers formed the centre-piece, and was tied with festoons of scarlet and white ribbons. Amongst the many striking toilettes I noticed Mrs. Cutfield, in a smart gown of black silk with berthe of lace; Mrs. Gifford Marshall wore a pale pink silk with overskirt of cream and black insertion, and frilled chiffon, pink and cream striped opera coat with Maltese lace collar; Mrs. Allan Cameron, black silk with accordion-pleated chiffon on the cor-



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