

hat to match; Mrs H. H. Wall, pale grey costume; Mrs Harry Bailey, pale blue and white tweed frock, dark blue hat; Miss Boylan, white linen Elton costume, frilled muslin vest, black hat; Miss E. Bradley, pale pink spotted voile, white French sailor; Miss I. Reynolds, pale blue muslin frock, black hat; Miss C. Reynolds, grey and white tweed coat and skirt, hat en suite; Miss Grey wore a very pretty pale heliotrope spotted voile, with deep lace yoke, threaded with black ribbon, black hat; Miss Willis, grey tweed coat and skirt, black hat; Miss G. Hoyle, white linen skirt, white muslin blouse, hat with crimson roses; Miss Seldford, tussure silk dress, red hat; Miss M. Bradley, white muslin and white hat; Miss D. Monckton, navy blue colth coat and skirt, French sailor with cornflowers; Miss D. Brook-Taylor, white silk blouse, lace yoke, black skirt, and white hat; Miss Farmer, white silk dress, black hat; Miss Warrington, cream tuckled silk, cream hat; Miss Cussen, cream cloth coat and skirt, pale blue hat, trimmed with pale blue folded chiffon; Miss K. Cussen, grey muslin dress, white felt hat with violet velvet, flowers, and ribbon; Miss Thomson, white muslin, with black spots, white hat; Miss M. Thomson, white muslin frock, black hat.

In the evening there was

A DANCE

in the wishshed, to which a number of the younger members of the party remained. It was one of the most delightful country dances that we have had. The floor was splendid, the music was good, and everyone was thoroughly bent on enjoying everything. Mrs White wore black satin, with white flowers, and white flowers in her hair; Mrs Jex Blake, cream satin; Mrs Mann, black silk; Miss Monckton, black silk, with black net; Miss D. Monckton, green brocaded silk and green velvet belt; Miss Willis, yellow silk; Miss Evans, yellow satin; Miss Nolan, white book-muslin, pale blue silk bow; Miss Wallis, black silk and pink roses; Miss Bennett, black silk, white lace; Miss Woodbine Johnston, yellow silk; Miss McLean, black silk, white lace; Miss Boylan, cream embroidered muslin, black poppies; Mrs C. Hoyle, white muslin; Mrs C. Thomas, pink muslin; Miss Sheriff, pink brocaded silk; Mrs R. Reynolds, white satin, covered with spangled net; Miss C. Reynolds, white spotted net over white satin, mauve sash; Miss Schumacher, black net over black silk; Miss Bradley, white silk; Miss Thomson, cream silk; Miss Grey, black accordion-pleated silk. Amongst the gentlemen were Messrs Cyril White, H. White, A. F. Kennedy, R. Williamson, Sherratt (2), D. Barton, Bradley, Monckton (2), H. Evans, Nolan, Burke, O. H. Butler, Iveson, Bennett, Doid, Willock, Sherriff, Patullo, Schumacher, Dr. Schumacher, and Dr. Scott.

ELSA.

NAPIER.

Dear Bee, December 2.

THE BAZAAR

held at St. John's Schoolroom last week in aid of the Church Missionary Society was most successful in every way. Amongst those present were—Mrs Cargill, who was wearing a coat and skirt of cordflower blue frieze and a toque to match; Mrs Howell, pale green voile, toque with heliotrope flowers; Miss Howell, dark blue coat and skirt, bright red hat trimmed with poppies; Miss Twigg also wore dark blue; Mrs Steadman, red silk costume, black chiffon hat; Mrs Rochfort (Feilding), tobacco brown voile, becoming hat to match; Mrs R. D. D. McLean, black coat and skirt, white silk vest, large white hat trimmed with roses; Mrs Hanward was also in black and white; Mrs Edgar wore pale grey; Mrs Henley, gobein blue voile, toque trimmed with chiffon; Mrs H. J. Smith, smart green costume, white hat relieved with rose pink; Miss Fell (Nelson), pale grey dress, large chip hat trimmed with pink roses; Mrs C. McLean was in black and white; Miss McLean, cream; Miss Kennedy, cream voile dress, daintily trimmed with yak lace; Miss K. Williams, black and white spotted blouse, dark skirt; Mrs Bowen, stylish brown costume, black toque; Miss Macfarlane, holland coat and skirt, cream chip hat; Miss E. Williams, dark blue voile dress relieved with white; Miss Thornton wore black; Miss Alpa, pale green trimmed with velvet of a darker shade; Miss Pasley also wore a becoming green

costume; Mrs T. C. Moore, pale blue silk voile, cream hat.

The choir of St. Paul's Church gave

A SUCCESSFUL CONCERT

at St. Paul's Schoolroom, Dalton-street, on the 29th ult. A somewhat lengthy programme seemed, however, none too long for the audience, who persistently cheered most of the artists, notably Miss Armstrong, who sang "Children of Sleep" (Moir). Mr Griffen gave "Hush—Me, O Sorrow" (Somerset) and "The Lowland Sea" (Branscombe) in good style. Mr Gregson's rendering of a difficult pianoforte solo, "Spinning Song" by Luff, was applauded. Miss D. Paterson, a young singer with a remarkably powerful voice, gave "Beloved It is Morn," by Aylward; and Miss Schoele sang "When We Meet," by Hope Temple.

MARJORIE.

NEW PLYMOUTH.

Dear Bee, December 3.

Owing to the boisterous weather the attendance was not large at the Taranaki

AGRICULTURAL SHOW,

which was held on the racecourse last Thursday afternoon, but for all that it was larger than at any show held for years past. Among the ladies present I noticed: Mrs Alf Bayly, in a black costume, fawn jacket, black and white hat; Mrs Fletcher, grey tweed costume, trimmed with black velvet, scarlet hat; Miss H. Evans, navy blue costume, piped with white, scarlet chiffon hat; Miss Cunningham, black, hat en suite; Mrs Percy Webster, pretty pale blue linen costume, white-insertion front, scarlet hat; Mrs Walter Bayly, brown and pink costume, hat to correspond; Miss Bedford, grey silk voile, scarlet hat; Miss D. Bedford, pink flowered dolaine, cream hat trimmed with chiffon; Mrs Rowe (Inglewood), black costume, fawn jacket; Miss M. Gabb, cream silk blouse, dark skirt; Miss Fleetwood, navy costume, fawn hat; Miss Blackwood, black and cream costume; Miss Bash, scarlet linen, cream vest, hat en suite; Miss Bayley, dark brown costume, cream silk front, hat to correspond; Miss E. Bayley, cream costume, black hat; Mrs R. Bayley, black canvas voile; Mrs Harrison (Stratford), Lincoln-green coat and skirt, cream vest; Mrs Wylie, dark brown costume, red and pink roses in hat; Miss George, black, cream crash coat; Misses Roberts (2), pretty peach-blue costumes, relieved with white, white felt hats; Mrs Cook, black costume, pink and black vest; Miss Cook, red and white silk blouse, dark skirt, fawn jacket, pretty scarlet and white hat; Miss Paul, black costume, seal coat, cream silk blouse, sailor hat; Mrs Walker, navy blue and white costume, hat en suite; Misses Sadler (2), black costumes, fawn jackets; Misses M. and H. Humphries, black and cream costumes, hats to correspond.

NANCY LEE.

WANGANUI.

Dear Bee, December 2.

On Friday Mrs Griffiths gave

AN AFTERNOON TEA

at her picturesque residence in Wilson-street in honour of Mrs Vennell, of Wellington, who is staying in Wanganui with her daughter, Mrs C. Millward. Afternoon tea was served in the drawing-room, and numbers of the guests played croquet. Amongst those present were Mesdames Moss, Browne, Dyer, Stevenson, John Watt, L. Jones, Vennell (Dunedin), Hatherley, C. Millward, F. Millward, Misses Anderson, Brewer, and others.

Last week Mrs John Anderson gave

A FLOWER TEA

for Miss Morrison, of Auckland. A delicious afternoon tea was laid in the drawing-room, with the table artistically arranged with masses of shizanthus. In the dining-room three large bowls of flowers were grouped, and the guests were allowed to look at them for a few minutes and write down all the names they could remember. Mrs C. Millward guessed the names of forty-eight flowers, and won the prize, a pretty silver-mounted cut-glass flower vase. Mrs Anderson received her guests in a black voile skirt with gauged flounces and tucks, pretty black silk blouse with

bands of insertion and lace. Miss Anderson wore a smart blouse of pale blue silk with deep lace, shoulder yoke, black voile skirt, Miss W. Anderson, tucked white muslin frock, the numerous frills edged with white satin bebe ribbon and lace; Miss Morrison (Auckland), black and grey muslin blouse with turquoise blue swathed belt, black silk skirt made with wide tucks; Mrs Porritt, black voile costume with champagne insertion, cream voile sun-ray pleated sac coat, black straw hat with chiffon and ostrich feathers; Mrs Peake wore black silk, her mantle was trimmed with jet and accordion-pleated frills of chiffon, black straw bonnet with chiffon; Mrs A. Blundell was gowned in a stylish champagne canvas profusely banded with green and cream galloon, tucked skirt with strappings of the same material, burnt straw French sailor with ruche of cream and green figured ribbon; Mrs Reid, pale green voile flecked with white and trimmed with cream lace, black hat with chiffon and plumes; Mrs Fenwick wore a smart frock of cream voile, the bodice with tiny black velvet ribbon bows and low neck effect of cream lace, black picture hat; Mrs Babbage, grey costume strapped with silk, black hat with autumn foliage; Mrs Greenwood, rose pink silk with champagne voile over-skirt, French sailor hat; Mrs Heywood wore a black voile costume, the Elton coat banded with champagne insertion, cream tuckled vest, green and white French sailor hat with blue and green ribbons; Mrs C. Millward wore a dainty cream voile, black picture hat; Mrs Fred. Jones, black voile skirt, cream voile sac coat, black picture hat; Mrs Fitzgerald, black voile skirt, white tuckled muslin blouse with lace; Mesdames Nicholas, Stanford, John Stevenson, and others.

THE TENNIS COURTS

are now occupied daily, and the various members are beginning to show their usual good form. Saturday was a delightful summer's afternoon, and there was a very large attendance on the courts. Afternoon tea was provided by the Misses F. Jones. Amongst those present I noticed Mesdames Pattle-Zett, Paget (Stratford), Barnicoat, Gifford Marshall, F. Hatherley, Griffiths, Mackay, Misses Moore, Earle, Cave, Barnicoat (2), Jones (2), O'Brien, Brabant, Stanford, McGowan (Invercargill), Trainor, Newton, McNeill, Izard, Pickering, Witchell, Mackay (Stratford), Messrs Harold, Peck, Izard, Lomas, Armour, Jardine, Hardwick, Sumpter, Waterson, Hatherley, Dodgshun, Mackay, E. Johnston, and others.

A DELIGHTFUL CHILDREN'S PARTY

was given by Mrs Hogg, Wicksteed-street, for her little daughter Griselda. Amongst those present were the little Misses Hogg, Fitz-Herbert, Forde, Fairburn, Ida Humphreys, Florence Brookfield, Florence Clissold, Masters Hogg, Fitz-Herbert, Barron and others. Mrs Vaughan also gave one at her residence, St. John's Hill, on the same afternoon, when the children had a very merry time with all manner of games, etc. Amongst the little guests I noticed the Misses Vaughan (2), Marjorie Treadwell, Leslie Williams, Enid Heywood, Gertrude Dodgshun, Kathy Jones, Hazel Jones, and others.

THE WANGANUI HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

held their annual Spring Show in the Drill Hall on Wednesday and Thursday last. Notwithstanding the fact that the weather this spring has been distinctly unfavourable for flowers and vegetables, record entries were received for the show, and the quality was above the average. This year several attractions were added in the shape of a refreshment stall, under the supervision of Misses Stanford, Bayley and Hardcastle, and a sweets stall, presided over by Miss Dodgshun, both of which were well patronised. There was a large attendance on both days, and each evening musical selections were rendered by Mr Armstrong's orchestra and the T.Y.M.L. band. There were also gymnastic displays by the ladies' and men's classes of the T.Y.M.L., and other attractions. Amongst those present I noticed Mrs G. M. Palmer, in a navy coat and skirt, Panama hat; Mrs Sorley (Feilding), black Melton cloth tailor-made costume, black feather hat; Mrs Hope (Christchurch), long grey coat and skirt, white lace and silk blouse; Mrs Earle, black voile costume with gathered and flounced skirt, pelerine of Paris lace, grey straw toque; Miss Earle, grey

voile costume, white feather bonnet; Mrs W. D. Anderson, grey coat and skirt, trimmed with white cloth and embroidered in black silk; Miss Dodgshun, white muslin, lace insertion; Miss Christie, grey crepe de chine, trimmed with black velvet; Miss Moore, grey tweed sac coat and skirt, Tuscan straw hat, trimmed with blue flowers and bands of turquoise blue silk; Miss Mason, pretty white embroidered costume; Mrs Alexander, smart black and white costume, black chiffon toque with white feathers; Miss Alexander, handsome blue costume; Mrs H. L. Peake, black costume, handsome cape with stole ends; Mrs Moore, navy serge coat and skirt, pompadour silk blouse, and black hat; Mrs J. G. Wilson (Bulls), pretty black voile, trimmed with gathered chiffon and lace, mauve hat, trimmed with tulle and feathers; Miss Wilson (Bulls), pink muslin, trimmed with insertion and lace, deep crimson hat, trimmed with tulle of same shade and cherries; Miss Barnicoat, white muslin costume, pretty white flower hat with tulle strings; Miss Phyllis Barnicoat, white muslin costume and hat of frilled muslin; Mesdames Wood, Fenwick, Sergeant, J. Anderson, Stevenson, Nicholls, Gresson, Babbage, Misses Izard, Gillian, Liffon, Bayley, Brewer, Messrs Cecil Wray, Babbage, John Mason, Russell, Grace, Doodgshun, W. D. Anderson, and others.

HUIA.

HAWERA.

Dear Bee, December 1.

Wonderful to relate, the second day of the agricultural show was just as fine as the first; in fact, it was even better, I think. It was such a treat to have such glorious weather. There was a record attendance this year, and all the competitions were excellent, perhaps the one that caused more interest than any being the ladies' riding in divided skirts. Everyone seemed to be fascinated with them, as they all looked so very smart, and besides that how very much safer it must be, especially in jumping. Judging from the comments one heard on every side, I don't think it will be long before all the ladies down this way take to wearing the divided skirts for riding. There were a great many pretty frocks worn on the second day, and although it was impossible to notice them all, I was able to take note of some of them. Mrs W. Glenn (Munain) was wearing a smart costume of grey-blue cloth, pretty front of blue and white, black picture hat; Mrs Sloan, dainty frock of grey voile, straw hat trimmed with pink roses; Mrs Gill-Carey looked very smart in a gown of blue

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