

man, Mrs and Miss Hannah, Mrs Cooper, Mrs Blunt, Mrs Denwick, Miss Murray, Ajinsky.

Miss Morton, Biccarton, entertained some of her friends to meet Mr and Mrs A. Blakiston from the Chatham Islands. Among the guests were Mrs Howson, Mrs and the Misses G. P. Williams, Mrs Beckett, Mr and Mrs Neave, Mrs Campbell, Mr and Mrs Whitehead, Mr and Mrs Talbot and others.

Mrs Nellie Stewart and company have had very large audiences at the Theatre Royal. Lord and Lady Plunket have been present several times. Others in the audience have been: Mr, Mrs, and Miss Stead, Mr and Mrs Wilfred Stead, Mr and Mrs A. E. G. Rhodes, Mr, Mrs and the Misses Louisian, Mr, Mrs and the Misses Harris, Mr and the Misses Devenish Mearns, Professor and Mrs Blunt, Mr and Mrs Chamberlain, Dr and Misses Nedwill, Dr and Mrs Anderson, Mr, Mrs and the Misses Anderson, Mr and Mrs Kinsey, Mr and Mrs Quane, Mr and Mrs Norton.

Mrs Finch gave a very pleasant musical evening last week at her residence, "Heathbank," Opawa, when among the guests were Mr and Mrs Wilding, Dr and Mrs Crooke, Dr and Mrs R. Anderson, Mr and Mrs A. Anderson, Mr and Mrs Day, Mrs Halse Francis, Colonel Hauchup and several more.

Miss Helen Macdonald gave a very unique afternoon for her girl friends at "Hambledon" last week, called a "curiosity party." Miss Nancy Iman came first with a how and arrow supposed to have been in use before the time of William the Conqueror, and Miss Gossett second with a curiously-shaped bone, painted and made to look like a clergyman preaching. The

prizes were a silver pin cushion and silver pin tray. Among those present were the Misses Inman, Gossett, Cook, Tabart, Tennant, Russell, Symes, Nancarrow, Wells, Misses Harley, Campbell and Burns. A delicious tea served in the dining-room was a very merry part of the afternoon.

A ladies' cricket match was played at Lancaster Park on Friday afternoon between Christchurch and Sumner teams, the former proving victorious. Among the players were the Misses Anderson (2), Turnbull, Devenish, Mearns (2), Bourne, Deacon, Preston, Elmslie, Humphreys, Wilding. A very nice afternoon was provided by the players, and their guests included Mrs Wilding, Mrs Denniston, Mrs Bourne, Mrs J. Anderson, Mrs Preston, Mrs Elmslie, and others.

Miss Stead has again been elected captain of the Christchurch Girls' Hockey Club, which has started play in earnest on a ground at Eluwood. We expect to hear of them giving a good account of themselves in some of the coming matches.

DOLLY VALE.

MARLBOROUGH.

Dear Bee, April 17. The Mayor and Mayoress of Picton gave

A GRAND BALL

on Tuesday last, which was decidedly the best ball of the season. The hall was beautifully decorated with lycpodium, flowers, mirrors, and flags. The stage was carpeted and furnished as a drawing-room. The supper-table, at the back of the stage, was most elegant, the decorations being yellow and brown. The Mayoress (Mrs Redman) wore an apicot-coloured crepe de chine gown, trimmed with a darker shade of velvet ribbon, flowers on suite on the corsage; Mrs Le Coq, handsome black silk, with white lace let in at the neck; Mrs Armstrong, wife of Commander Armstrong, a pretty gown of black jewelled chiffon over black silk; Mrs Allen, black merc and white lace; Mrs C. Beauchamp, black silk and white lace; Mrs Foster (Blenheim), a beautiful gown of white duchesse satin, trimmed with lovely lace; Mrs Reid (Blenheim), black silk, relieved with white; Mrs Riddell, blue broche, trimmed with lace; Mrs Morgan, white silk, relieved with red; Mrs C. Philpotts, black silk, with chiffon; Mrs Wolf, white chiffon over green silk; Mrs Madsen, handsome white crepe de chine, trimmed with lace, and accordion-pleated frills and tucks; Mrs A. Chaytor (Nelson), black broche skirt, and pale blue silk blouse, trimmed with white lace; Mrs Nicol, white satin, trimmed with lace; Mrs Macalister, black silk, relieved with white; Mrs A. Scott, blue silk, with chiffon; Mrs F. Richmond (Nelson), black velvet, relieved with white; Mrs Duncan, black silk and white lace; Mrs McNab (Blenheim), black silk; Mrs C. Peck, black skirt, and white silk blouse; Mrs Kelson (Wanganui), black silk, with lace; Mrs H. McCormick, black; Mrs Williams, black silk and chiffon; Mrs Wade (Dunedin), black; Mrs Stow, handsome black silk; Miss E. C. Seymour, black silk, with white lace; Miss Stace, buttercup-yellow silk; Miss E. M. Allen, black broche, trimmed with cream guipure; Miss B. Allen, white silk, with red sash; Miss Seymour, black velvet, with white chiffon; three debutantes, Misses Stone, R. Macalister, and McNab, were in simple white silk; Miss Butt (Wellington), pale blue silk, with a pretty pink rose in her hair; Miss Trent (Blenheim), white silk, relieved with red; Miss Cavte (Wairarapa), white silk; Miss Wyatt (Wairarapa), eau de Nil, trimmed with darker shade of green; Miss N. Beauchamp, black net; Miss L. Greenall, white silk; Miss Roberts, white silk; Miss L. Fuller, eau de Nil silk; Miss V. Fuller, white silk; Miss F. Fuller, white silk; Miss McCormick, white silk, trimmed with lace; Miss Philpotts, red silk; Miss E. Philpotts, heliotrope silk; Miss A. Philpotts, white silk; Miss Chaytor, green chiffon over silk; Miss J. Chaytor, pretty white silk; Miss Speed, pink crepe de chine; Miss Rutherford (Kerangau), pale pink crepe de chine; Miss I. Rutherford, cream crepe de chine; Miss Robinson, black, trimmed with white; Miss Wright, white silk,

trimmed with blue; Miss Moynihan, cream silk. The gentlemen included Dr. Redman, Captain Tudor, Commander Armstrong, and the officers of H.M.S. Challenger, Major Rogers (Blenheim), Major D. Chaytor (Spring Creek), Lieut. Swanaard, Dr. Foster (Blenheim), Dr. Anderson, Messrs Chaytor (2), Wicks, Riddell, H. C. Seymour, Wolff, Beauchamp (3), Stow, Philpotts, Peck, Duncan, McNab, Kelson, Williams, Nicol, Madsen.

On Wednesday Dr. Redman engaged the entertainers, Mrs. Harrie Marschel, and Miss Irene Carlyon to play in the Public Hall, so as to give the men of the warship some pleasure.

THE ENTERTAINMENT.

was very good, and was much appreciated by about two hundred of the men, as well as many of the town-folk. On Thursday the Entertainers played for the benefit of young Hart, who lost both eyes in a blasting accident. It is proposed to send him to Auckland to the Blind Institute.

On Friday Mrs. Allen had a small PROGRESSIVE EUCHRE PARTY.

She was assisted by her daughters, Mrs. A. N. Chayton and the Misses Allen, also by Mr. A. Chayton and Mr. L. Allen, of the Income Tax Department, Wellington, who was home on a visit. Euchre was played till eleven. Miss I. Rutherford won the first ladies' prize, and Mrs. Riddell second. The chaplain, the Rev. Stock, won the first gentleman's prize, and Engr. Lieut. Steam the second; much to their surprise, as neither had played euchre before. Others present were:—Dr. and Mrs. Redman, Mr. and Mrs. Le Coq, Mr. and Mrs. Stow, Mr. and Mrs. A. Scott, Mrs. Riddell, Mrs. C. Philpotts, Mrs. and the Misses Macalister (2), Misses Rutherford (2), Cavte, Speed, Wyatt, Mognihan, J. Seymour, and Dr. Getts (H.M.S. Challenger), Lieut. Callaghan (H.M.S. Challenger), Dr. Anderson, and Messrs. Wicks and F. Scott. After supper dances and games caused considerable fun and amusement.

A SHOOTING COMPETITION.

was held on Saturday at the Waikawa Butts, between the officers of H.M.S. Challenger and the Waitohi Rifles. The match was won by the visitors. Mrs. Gillies, assisted by her sister Miss Speed, and her nieces, the Misses Rutherford, provided afternoon tea.

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