

flowers; Miss F. Randolph, cream silk, chiffon frills on corsage, and pink chiffon chon; Miss Warburton, white silk frock, bodice tucked and trimmed with ruffled ribbon; Miss Watson, black skirt, cream and pink striped silk blouse, deep yoke of Paris lace; Miss Armstrong, black velvet skirt, pale blue silk blouse, transparent yoke of fine cream lace; Miss Waddegrave, white silk, Matthee lace on skirt and bodice, pale blue glace chon, and bow in hair; Miss Bell, cream skirt, cream silk blouse, cream lace fichu and cluster of pale yellow flowers; Mrs Lang, black skirt, pale blue and pink silk blouse with cream lace insertion; Mrs Nannestad, black net over black satin, skirt trimmed with narrow black satin ribbon, frills of black accordion pleated chiffon on bodice; Miss Nannestad, black silk skirt, cream silk blouse with cream silk embroidery; Mrs Coombs, black lace over satin, chiffon frills on bodice and sleeves; Miss Coombs, black satin skirt, cream silk blouse. Some of the men present were Messrs Waidegrave, Gould, Bell, Smith, Armstrong, Gibbons, Watson, Haynes, Lang, Warburton, Bond, Elliot, Reed, Dr. Campbell.

significant fact that so many of the most ardent hockey girls are giving up that game in favour of the more sedate pastime of golf.

On June 2nd the Rev. T. H. and Mrs Sprott celebrate their silver wedding. They have issued invitations for an At Home in honour of the occasion.

Miss Henderson (Karori) had a very pleasant little dance on Saturday night. A number of young people went out from town in drags, and buses and spent a jolly evening dancing.

To-night the Old Girls' Association of the Girls' High School is having their annual At Home. Dancing, games, and music are all on the programme, so the guests will have plenty to occupy them.

June 7 has been fixed for the date of a dance to be given by a number of girls, mostly living in Thorndon. All of them are experienced hostesses, having given a similar dance every session for the last two or three years. This dance, it said, will eclipse all its predecessors, so there is something specially good to look forward to. Invitations are issued in the names of Misses Tolhurst, MacFavish, Finch (2), Hainson, Rawson (2), Stuart, Stafford, Reid, Simpson, and Nelson.

A very pleasant little tea was given by Miss Johns on a few days ago. Her house is charmingly situated in extensive grounds and it is a splendid one for entertaining. Among the guests were Mrs and Miss Duggins, Mrs and Miss Johnston, Miss Eell, Miss O'Connor, Misses Fitzgerald, Mrs Turnbull, Miss Williams, Mrs and Misses Brandon.

The members of the Star Boating Club gave a social on Tue day night in honour of the annual distribution of prizes. The Star Club has been very successful during the past season, and round after round of applause greeted the prizewinners, some of the most popular receiving quite an ovation. There was a capital musical programme, the humorous items by Mr Newton and Mr Dykes being specially popular. Some lightning sketches by Messrs Watts and Macbeth were very cleverly done, and greatly interested the spectators, and Miss Lenore Pulsford's songs delighted her hearers. Mrs Biss, wife of the captain of the club presented the prizes. Each member of the Champion Four also received the oar he had rowed with. Mrs Biss wore a black tulle-tas skirt and a blouse of ivory lace and chiffon. Others present were Mrs Bucholz and the Misses Elliott, Mrs Bridge, Misses Henry, Mrs and Miss Fulon, Miss Harecourt, Misses Mee, Stafford, Christine, Smith, Warren, Mrs Bothamley, Misses Newton, Mrs and Miss Bendall, Misses Sped, Gore, Ewen, Rawson, Somerville, Stuart, Fitzgerald, Simpson, MacFavish, Oswin, Wheeler, Blundell, Watson, MacKellar. OPHIELIA.

A. E. Kitchen were a becoming pale blue silk blouse, cream cloth opera cloak, and black gauged voile skirt; Miss Earle, white silk, pale pink ribbon sash; Mrs Earle, black and white flowered foulard with yoke and berthe of Maltese silk lace; Mrs Arthur Izard, black net evening frock, with berthe of lace, opera cloak of grey cloth trimmed with white; Mrs Montgomerie wore a black skirt with handsome lace collar; Miss Lordman, black relieved with white; Miss Cameron, black silk costume with steel trimmings; Mrs Palmer wore a black evening frock, pale blue chiffon fichu on corsage; Mrs Alexander, handsome black gown over white silk, with chiffon on corsage, cream opera cloak with wide capes; Miss Alexander, black silk gown relieved with black lace on bodice; Miss Jackson wore a pretty cream silk blouse with lace and insertion, black silk skirt; Mrs Salek, rich black silk with sequin and jet on corsage; Miss Baker, black silk, transparent yoke of champagne lace and chiffon; Mrs S. Gordon, pale green silk blouse trimmed with pale pink, black silk skirt; Miss Gresson wore cream silk frock banded with lace and insertion; Miss Anderson, crimson net evening frock with spray of flowers on corsage; Mrs J. Stevenson, becoming black and white evening gown; Mrs Baldwin (Palmerston North), black crepe de chine with berthe of lace, cream feather stole; Mrs J. Anderson wore black silk relieved with cream lace; There were also present Mesdames J. Peat (Waverley), Peet, Vaughan, Jones, Messrs J. G. Wynn, Izard, Cohen, Gordon, Stevenson, Forlong and many others.

At the second performance of "Sweet Nell" I noticed amongst the audience Mrs McNaughton Christie, in a black evening gown with smart tan cloth opera coat; Mrs Peake, black silk with jet and lace collar; Miss Douglas, pale pink silk frock banded with lace and insertion; Miss Britts (Wellington), blue evening gown with champagne lace on corsage; Miss Christie, a becoming cream silk frock with berthe of lace, long cream opera coat; Miss D. Christie, cream gauged silk frock with lace and insertion; Miss Krull, wore crepe de chine, help of cream lace; Miss Rawson, pale pink sunray pleated chiffon over silk, champagne lace on corsage; Mrs Barnicot, becoming evening gown with long pale blue opera coat banded with champagne medallions; Miss Barnicot wore a dainty white silk and net frock; Miss P. Barnicot, tucked white muslin with lace and insertion; Miss McGowan, pale grey evening gown, chiffon on corsage; Miss Inlay, black silk, handsome cream lace collar; Mrs Saunders, black crepe de chine with yoke of tucked Brussels net and berthe of lace; Miss Cotterill (Napier), cream silk gown, pale grey opera coat; Mrs Douglas, black silk costume with sleeves and yoke of lace, black chiffon and jet on corsage; Mrs Blundell, black silk yoke and sleeves of sequin net, cream cloth opera cloak with wide crepe braided in silk braid; Miss Humphreys (New Plymouth), black silk fichu of lace, smart old rose opera coat with wide champagne lace; Mrs Kitchen wore a becoming black and white evening gown; Miss Willis, gauged cream silk frock with full sleeves and lace on corsage; her sister wore a soft cream silk gown profusely trimmed with champagne lace and insertion; Mrs Skerran (Maffyn), black and white silk blouse with bands of insertion, black silk skirt; Mrs J. Mason, black silk evening gown relieved with white; Miss Earle wore a gown of cream sunray pleated chiffon; Miss Mason, dainty frock of cream silk and net; Mrs Wray, black crepe de chine, transparent yoke of champagne lace; Mrs Wood, black silk with beautiful lace collar; Mrs Nolan (Hawera), black velvet, berthe of lace; Miss Nolan (Hawera), black evening gown with fichu of cream lace. There were also present Mr and Mrs Lethbridge, Mrs Speed, Mrs and Miss Gebhorn, Mrs G. Marshall, Mrs and Miss Jones, Messrs G. Marshall, N. Fitzherbert, Harold, Hardwicke, Christie, Brookfield, Forlong, Wray, G. Saunders, C. Russell, Blundell, Mrs Skerran (Marton), Earle, and Christie.

Amongst those present on Friday evening to witness the performance of "Old Heidelberg" at the Opera House were Dr. and Mrs Skerran (Marton), Mr and Mrs A. Izard, Mr and Mrs G. Marshall, Mr and Mrs H. Y. Lethbridge (Wanganui), Mrs Kitchen, the Misses Willis, Mrs Good (Hawera), Miss Baker, Misses Rawson, Krull, Christie, Mr and

Mrs Krull, Mr and Mrs Stevenson, Messrs. N. Fitzherbert, C. Russell, Harold Jones, Lewis, Cohen, Wynn, and many others.

The first day of the winter meeting of the

WANGANUI JOCKEY CLUB

was held on Wednesday. There was a large attendance of spectators from all parts of the colony. The day was dull and wintry. Notwithstanding the recent heavy rain, the course was in very good order. The fields were large and the racing close and exciting, particularly in the Wanganui Steeplechase, which was splendidly contested. Amongst the stylish costumes worn I notice Mrs D. Riddiford (Marton) in a smart navy blue cloth coat and skirt, faced with white cloth; tany straw navy blue hat with ribbons to match; Miss Fitzgerald (Wellington), grey tweed gown, the Russian coat edged with white, toque of cream cloth; Miss E. Riddiford (Palmerston North), navy blue coat and skirt, stone mortar stole, coarse navy straw hat with ruche of silk to match; Miss N. Riddiford (Marton), navy blue serge Eton coat and skirt, white silk vest, navy straw hat swathed in navy blue velvet; Mrs A. Fitzherbert (Feilding), navy blue Eton coat and skirt, cream lace vest, high crowned black straw hat with steel buckle and ostrich plumes; Mrs McGovern (Feilding), navy blue and white checked tweed costume, old rose straw hat with ruche of short ribbon, to match; Mrs Bell (Palmerston North), black cloth tailor-made coat and skirt, black felt hat with black feather pom-pom; Mrs Friend (Palmerston North), wore a black cloth coat and skirt, black Victorian bonnet with white gauged chiffon; Miss Durie (Sydney), pale green checked tweed, trimmed with white braided cloth, green velvet hat relieved with pale pink; Miss Cotterill

THE TENNIS CLUB

on Saturday evening the prizes were presented to the winners of the different tennis tournaments during the summer. The First Ladies' Handicap Singles was won by Miss Reed, who received Mrs Warburton's trophy, a very pretty little clock and calendar. Mrs Pickett won the Ladies' Second Handicap Singles, and received Mr Harden's trophy, a dainty vase. Mr Wither was the winner of the Men's Handicap Singles, and was presented with a fountain pen. In the Combined Doubles Miss Watson and Mr Wylds won, respectively, a silver and glass toilet box and a greenstone pendant. Messrs Spence and Wylds, the winners of the Men's Handicap Doubles, were both presented with fountain pens.

THE ZEALANDIA SKATING RINK

is most popular, and is crowded on all occasions. During this last week I have noticed among the skaters Mr and the Misses Fitzherbert, Mr and Miss Warburton, Mr and Miss Louison, Mr and Mrs Cooke, Mr and Mrs Cooper, Mrs Baldwin, Mrs Strang, Mr and Mrs Bunting, Mr and Mrs Clarkson, the Misses Buick, Mrs and the Misses Patterson, Mrs P. S. McRae, Misses Abraham (3), Waddegrave, Bond, Armstrong, Wilson, Porter, Hankins, Robinson, Reed, Messrs Bond, Waddegrave, Spencer, Smith, Vaughan, Collins, Wilson, Reed, Riddiford, Wingate and many others. VIOLET.

WELLINGTON.

Dear Bee, May 26. One of the principal topics of interest at present is

THE NEW GOLF CLUB,

which bids fair to be very successful. The committee is formed of keen and enthusiastic players, and the services of a professional have been engaged to lay out the links. These are situated at Karori, within easy distance of town, and though at present rather in the rough they will soon be improved. A noticeable feature of the new club is the number of players who are also members of the Wellington Golf Club. This is accounted for by the fact that the latter body will be in serious difficulties at the end of the year, when the lease is up. Spare land is so scarce round Wellington that it will be hard to find another site. The cost of membership for the Wellington Golf Club is extremely high, while the new club begins with a most modest subscription. At a meeting of ladies interested in the Karori Club Miss Tolhurst was elected captain, and Miss L. Ewen undertook the duties of hon. secretary. Misses L. Brandon and M. MacGrogan are members of the committee. The club colours are to be dark blue and white. Dr Arnold Izard, Messrs Cox and Finch, and Sir K. Douglas have been mainly instrumental in forming the new club. Among those whose names are on the list are Mrs and Miss Johnston, Mrs Pearce, Mrs Collins, Mrs Tweed, Mrs Biss, Mrs A. Dugan, Misses Harecourt, Rawson, Colebridge, Brandon, Simpson, Stuart, McKelvie, Macintosh, Watson, Fitzgould, O'Connor, Edwin, MacGregor, Honey, Butt, Blundell, MacKellar, Stafford, Tolhurst, Ewen, Kennedy. It is rather a

WANGANUI.

Dear Bee, May 26.

On Wednesday and Thursday evenings at the Opera House "Sweet Nell of Old Drury" was staged by Mr Geo. Musgrove's Dramatic Company, and on Friday "Old Heidelberg" was presented. For many months we have all been looking forward to seeing Nellie Stewart, and

LARGE AND FASHIONABLE AUDIENCES

greeted that fascinating actress every evening. Amongst those I noticed on the first evening of "Sweet Nell" were Mrs Greig, in a black silk gown with yoke of champagne lace, and black velvet; Mrs Knight (Dannevirke), becoming black evening frock with cream chiffon and lace on corsage; Miss Knight (Dannevirke), gauged cream net and lace gown with berthe of lace; Miss A. Cowper, cream net over cream silk, pale pink silk sash and spray of pink roses in her coiffure; Miss N. Cowper, black crepe de chine, with chiffon on corsage and shoulder straps; Mrs Krull wore a handsome black silk gown with jet and beautiful lace collar; Miss Thompson (Castlemaine) wore a pretty pale blouse with yoke of champagne lace and trimmed with gangings of crepe de chine, the same shade as the blouse, black silk skirt; Miss E. Greig, gauged cream silk frock, hair dressed in pompadour style with wide band of pale pink ribbon threaded through it; Miss S. Greig, cream silk gown, gauged corsage, with lace, crimson ribbon in her coiffure; Mrs

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