

HAWERA.

Dear Bee, June 1st.

THE HOSPITAL BALL.

held in the Opera House last Friday week passed off splendidly, and was most successful. There was a large number of people present from all parts. The ball-room has never looked so nice before, the decorations being most effective and well carried out. Quantities of flags were hung across the room, and these, backed by lots of greenery, gave a most pleasing effect. The stage was also very prettily arranged. The greatest credit is due to those ladies who undertook the decorations. The side-room was also much admired, it being arranged as a drawing-room. A large marquee was erected next to the Opera House, and this was used as a supper-room. The supper was a most delicious one. The music, supplied by Mrs. Quinn and the Misses Flynn, was everything one could wish for. The secretary and all others connected with the preparations for the ball have every reason to feel proud of their efforts. Amongst those present I noticed:—Mrs. Willis, who was wearing a lovely frock of white embroidered chiffon over a silk foundation, the corsage handsomely trimmed; Miss Dunsford looked very well in black silk, long dove-coloured coat, finished with feather trimmings; Miss Caplen, frock of white muslin, inserted with lace; her sister was wearing a frock of the same; Miss Flynn, a black toilette, the corsage relieved with cream trimmings; Miss J. Flynn, a dainty frock of white silk, frilled and shirred; Miss Sutton, black silk jet trimmings; Miss Lempfert looked exceedingly well in black silk, prettily trimmed; Miss Lutter, very pretty frock of blue silk, trimmed with acordion-pleated chiffon and lace; Miss Baird, dainty frock of white silk, frilled; Miss P. Baird, was also wearing white silk; Miss Douglas, cream satin, the skirt trimmed with acordion-pleated frills; Miss Courts, white muslin, profusely shirred; Mrs. R. L. Page looked very well in black satin; Miss Joseph (Christchurch), a frock of cream silk, relieved with trimmings of view's rose silk; Miss Reilly, dainty gown of white crepe de chine; Miss C. Reilly, frock of cream voile, gathered ribbon trimmings; Mrs. Stewart (Normanby), was daintily frocked in white muslin, the frills finished with white bebe ribbon; Miss Jackson (Stratford), black satin; Mrs. D. E. Fantlioni, white muslin, shirred and lace insertion; Miss Hamilton (Manutahi), black satin, the corsage relieved with flowers; Miss Alexander, white net over pink silk; Miss Harley, white silk, frilled; Miss Carey, cream brocade, relieved with old gold velvet; her sister was wearing a dainty frock of pink glace silk, shirred; Miss Glenn, white muslin, frilled and trimmed with bebe ribbon; Mrs. Jury, black satin; Miss Jackson (Normanby), white muslin; Mrs. Turnbull, black silk, white coat, feather trimming. Amongst the gentlemen present were:—Mrs. Westerman and Brown, Messrs. Hastie (2), Liddle, Scott, Turnbull, Norton, Turton, Caplen, Atkinson, Barrington, Glenn, Atkins, Douglas, Lovell, Taylor (Manutahi), Smith, Piper, Nalder, Larcom, Baird, and many others.

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GISBORNE.

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The weather is simply impossible, and renders all thoughts of playing golf, etc., out of the question. The Prince of Wales' Birthday was generally observed as a holiday on Thursday, and as the weather cleared up conveniently for the occasion, there were a good many players on the links. Last Saturday Mrs. Barlow and Mrs. O'Meara provided afternoon tea. Amongst the players out the day were Mrs. King, Mrs. Morgan, Mrs. Willock, Mrs. Elliott, Misses Adams, Sweet, Rutledge (2), Wallis, Burke and L. Coleman.

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WANGANUI.

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On Thursday, the second day of the WINTER RACE MEETING.

We had perfect weather: bright sunshine and a cool breeze. There was a large attendance of the public. Amongst the toilettes I noticed on the lawn were: Mrs. S. Gordon, in a stylish tailor-made heather mixture tweed, pale blue chiffon toque with tiny pink rose-buds; Mrs. Crisp (Timaru), brown flecked tweed costume, piped with tan cloth, round collar faced with same material, brown mushroom straw hat with wreath of velvet willowflowers and foliage; Miss Gieson wore a navy blue serge coat and skirt, cream silk vest, basket straw hat with blue and white spotted ribbon on it; Mrs. Holdship, grey tweed skirt, navy blue Melton coat, black fancy straw hat with ribbe of black and white chiffon; Mrs. Bondell, brown cloth costume with wide silk collar, trimmed with brown silk braid, brown sequin toque with shaded tangerine ribbons; Mrs. Earle, black gauged voile with yoke of champagne lace and insertion, black and white fancy straw toque with osprey; Miss Earle, navy blue hopsack faced with cream satin, embroidered with silk, white felt hat with large pompano; Mrs. Hattrick, black Melton cloth coat and skirt, black chenille hat with ostrich feathers, L. artificial stone marten stole; Mrs. Hardy, smart navy blue Etou coat and skirt, cream silk blouse, toque of heliotrope velvet and violets; Mrs. A. Fitz Herbert (Wellington), navy blue serge tailor-made coat and skirt, black high-crowned hat with band of velvet and steel buckle and ostrich plume; Mrs. Greenwood, navy blue skirt, cream serge coat, shaded heliotrope velvet

blouse, black skirt; Miss -- Welch, pale pink tucked silk blouse, black skirt; Mrs. Pringle, pale lavender silk blouse with berthe of white lace, black skirt; Mrs. Peck, cream silk blouse with lace, black skirt, grey-blue acordion-pleated cloak; Mrs. Hollow, bright blue glace silk blouse, transparent cream lace yoke, black skirt; Mrs. Watkins, deep yellow satin blouse, embroidered in black, black skirt; Mrs. Aicken, pink and white striped silk blouse with cream insertion, black skirt; Mrs. E. W. Hitchings, white silk evening dress with bands of black on corsage, long blue opera cloak with grey fur; Miss Hitchings, cream frock, cream cape with feather trimming; Mrs. Thompson, scarlet silk blouse with bands of string-coloured insertion, black skirt; Miss E. Wilson, pale blue silk blouse, Maitese lace collar, black skirt; Miss Waldgrave, pale blue silk blouse, cream lace yoke, threaded with pale blue ribbon, black skirt; Miss Lang, white silk and insertion blouse, black skirt; Miss Bell, pale blue silk blouse with white lace berthe, and pale blue ruffled ribbon, black skirt, scarlet cloak; Miss Gwen Bell, blue silk and cream insertion blouse, black velvet skirt, cream cloak; Mrs. Fuller, cream voile skirt, red velvet blouse, cream cape with feather trimming; Miss Armstrong, pale blue spotted muslin blouse, deep transparent yoke of cream lace; Mrs. Reed, black silk and chiffon; Mrs. Reed, blue silk blouse, black skirt; Mrs. Coombs, black net over satin, black chiffon frills on corsage; Mrs. Goldingham, black net, scarlet flowers on bodice; Miss Lethbridge, cream silk blouse, black skirt. Others present included Mr. and Mrs. Keeling, Mr. and Mrs. Bignall, Mr. and Mrs. D. Monrad, Mr. and Mrs. Parfitt, Mr. and Mrs. Gray, Mr. and Mrs. Nash, Mrs. and Miss Larcom, Mrs. and the Misses Patterson, Mrs. Nannestad, the Misses Mowlem, Mr. and Mrs. Barnfield, Mrs. and Miss Leary, Messrs. J. Sprang, Taggart, Harman, Vaughan, Bell (2), Moeller, Laxford, Dr. Camp bell, Dr. Stowe, Rev. C. C. Harper, Rev. G. Woodward.

THE SKATING RINK

is still very popular, and is always crowded with enthusiastic skaters. Last week I notice among the frequenters Mr. and Mrs. Bunting, Mr. and Miss Bond, Mr. and Mrs. McEne, Mr. and Mrs. Cooper, Mrs. Innes, the Misses Abraham, Mrs. and the Misses Fitzherbert, Mrs. Pratt, Misses Waldgrave (3), Misses Regden, Misses Wood (2), Mrs. Baldwin, Mrs. Barker, Mr. and Mrs. Millton, Miss S. Collins, Mrs. and the Misses Patterson, Misses Robinson, Richter, Warren, Randolph, Bell (3), Reed, Duff, Hankins, Warburton, Dundas, Mr. and Mrs. G. Potts, Mrs. Cooke, Miss Armstrong, Miss Porter, Messrs. Harman, Patterson, Hewitt (3), Pratt, Abraham (2), Smith, Spence, Collins (3), Fitzherbert, Vaughan, Waldgrave (2), Bell, Potts, Fulton, Richter, Barrand, Goldingham, Pr. ceo, Reed.

On Thursday evening

THE CARD CLUB

met, and had a bridge evening. Mrs. Gould was wearing a dainty white silk blouse, elaborately trimmed with fine white insertion and white ribbon; Mrs. Campbell, black satin, yoke of white silk veiled in black lace; Mrs. Bell, black brocade, berthe of black sequin trimming, transparent black net sleeves, with bands of black sequin insertion; Mrs. Trine, bright blue silk blouse, transparent yoke of cream lace, black skirt; Mrs. Waldgrave, black silk voile, frills of black chiffon on corsage; Mrs. Coombs, pale heliotrope silk blouse, with frills of fine black lace, black silk skirt; Mrs. Snelson, black silk, cream lace on bodice; Miss Coombs, white silk blouse, with white lace, black satin skirt; Mrs. Nannestad, pale green silk blouse, white lace yoke and touched green ribbon of a darker shade, black satin skirt; Miss Moeller, black silk skirt, white silk blouse, with white silk embroidery, lavender silk belt; Mrs. Lang, black silk frills of black acordion-pleated chiffon on corsage; Miss Bell, cream voile skirt, cream and pink floral silk blouse, sash of same silk; Mrs. Randolph, blue silk, deep transparent yoke of cream lace; Miss F. Randolph, black skirt, cream silk blouse, with black insertion; Miss Waldgrave, cream silk frock, berthe of Maitese lace, blue silk cloth and blue glace bow in hair; Miss Watson, cream silk over pink, and trimmed with cream insertion. The men present were: Messrs. Eliot, Bell, Armstrong, Smith, Spencer, Vaughan, Haynes, Gould, Warburton, McKeight, Watson, Lang and Dr. Campbell.

VIOLET.

Disease in wash tub fumes from common soap: healthy odour from **SUNLIGHT SOAP**



A DELIGHTFUL DANCE

was given by Mrs. Glenn at Mamaia last Tuesday week. The weather was anything but fine, but nevertheless a large number of guests drove out from Hawera. Mrs. Glenn being famed for her very delightful dances. Mrs. Glenn and her daughters had gone to no end of trouble, everything possible having been done for the comfort of their guests. The drawing-room was used for dancing, whilst the verandahs were beautifully covered in for sitting out. A very dainty supper was served in the dining-room. Amongst those present I noticed:—Mrs. Glenn, who was wearing a handsome gown of black silk, prettily trimmed; Miss Glenn, a dainty frock of white muslin, prettily frilled; Miss Q. Glenn, was prettily frocked in white silk; Mrs. W. Glenn looked very nice in a frock white silk shirred; Misses Baird (2), Day, White, Young, Brett, Carey (2), Douglas, Fairman, Coutts (2), Hair (3), Messrs. Glenn (3), Moore, Norton, Douglas, Kenny, Nicholson, Mitchell, Baird, Young, Greville.

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