

pretty cream evening frock threaded with black bebe ribbon, tangerine ribbon in coiffure; Miss Phillips, pale heliotrope silk blouse and darker skirt; Miss Dora Phillips, looked pretty in blush rose pink silk blouse, and black skirt; Miss Rothschild, stylish black toilette; Mrs. Louis Myers, black brocade, with handsome Bohemian lace collar; Mrs. Benjamin wore an effective black crepe de chine toilette with encrustations of Paris-tinted applique; Mrs. Ehrenfried was wearing a very handsome black taffetas evening toilette; Mrs. McDonald wore a handsome black gown with white lace; Miss McDonald, black skirt and effective black and green silk blouse; Mrs. J. A. Beale wore black satin with transparent sleeves and yoke; Mrs. Keating wore a lovely green Oriental satin with lace encrustations; Miss Lane wore a pretty white blouse and black skirt; Mrs. Morton was effectively gowned in black silk, the bodice softened with white chiffon and finished with bands of turquoise blue ribbon; Mrs. Parkes wore a handsome black silk voile over glace foundation, finished with lovely black lace on bodice, Louis erize bows; Mrs. Sloman wore black velvet with white lace draped round corsage, clusters of forget-me-nots in hair and on bodice; Miss C. Sloman looked pretty in a soft white gown; Mrs. Coney was strikingly gowned in pink accordion-pleated chiffon, toned with black, black corsalet belt; Mrs. Thomas, black skirt with smart semi-evening silk blouse, blue opera coat; Miss Thomas was daintily frocked in soft white silk, pale green corsage; Miss Ireland wore blue spotted chiffon over glace foundation, the bodice artistically draped with Paris lace and insertion; Miss J. Ireland looked charming in pale blue tucked silk, elaborately banded with cream lace applique; Miss Lusk, black crepe de chine with cream lace medallions; Miss O. Lusk wore black, effectively relieved with Paris lace; Mrs. Nelson, handsome black silk toilette with brocade opera coat; Mrs. F. Battley, black skirt and dainty white silk blouse, adorned with lace medallions; Mrs. J. St. Clair wore a lovely blue figured mousseline de soie over glace foundation; her daughters wore white; Miss Annie Berry looked remarkably well in black, the bodice prettily finished with transparent bands of black insertion; Miss Nelson, pretty pale shrimp pink silk gown, trimmed with lace; Miss K. Nelson, in dainty blue silk, softened with lace and chiffon; Miss Sanders wore a black silk skirt, heliotrope crepe de chine blouse, encrusted with Paris lace medallions; Miss Marks, soft white shirred silk; Miss Sator wore a very handsome Paris-tinted lace gown over glace silk; Miss A. Sator was prettily gowned in pale blue, softened with lace and chiffon; Miss Daisy Sator looked pretty in soft white silk and lace with lovely crush roses in front of bodice; Mrs. Bargeville, very handsome black toilette, relieved with touches of white; Miss M. Reid looked charming in black with transparent V-shaped yoke, pale blue sash; Miss L. Cox wore a fawn gown, with lace encrustations; Mrs. Lynch wore a handsome black brocade silk toilette finished with lace; Miss Bock was gowned in brown silk striped bengaline; Mrs. Corbett wore black, trimmed with lace, caught with red roses; Miss Culpan looked very pretty in white silk and lace, with clusters of red flowers in front of corsage; Miss E. Culpan was daintily frocked in pink shirred crepe de chine; Miss Ballin wore a striking gown of blue shaded mousseline de soie, prettily finished with guffered frills; Miss Sam. Hesketh wore black, relieved with touches of white; Miss May Hesketh wore a black skirt and pretty soft white silk blouse; Mrs. Samuels wore a handsome black toilette; Miss Carlaw looked well in black, relieved with pale blue; Mrs. Beaumont was wearing a graceful black toilette, with white vest, adorned with black Louis erize bows; Mrs. Phillips wore a black skirt and very pretty blue silk blouse, with lace encrustations; Mrs. H. Baker, lemon-coloured silk, softened with white chiffon; Miss K. Doyere, dainty pale green silk blouse, and black skirt, green butterfly bow in her hair; Mrs. H. Senger wore a shimmering azure blue glace silk blouse, relieved with handsome black lace, black silk skirt; Miss Senger, evening black beribboned voile frock, the bodice deftly arranged with turquoise blue velvet; Mrs. H. Airey, charming black crepe de chine gown, with black chiffon fichu caught with a bunch of Parma violets; Miss St. Clair, white muslin frock, with pink ribbon;

Miss Coleman wore a pretty blue glace silk blouse and black trained skirt, blue flowers in coiffure; Miss South, dainty white silk frock, brightened with pink; Misses Atkinson were attired in black and white silk respectively; Miss Savage was in a white silk and lace blouse and champagne-coloured voile skirt; Miss Ehrenfried, effective black gown, with diamond star on décolletage; Mrs. Litcher was daintily in a lemon-coloured satin, veiled in cream beribboned net; Miss Maude, white voile and lace frock, tangerine corsage and butterfly bow in her hair; Mrs. H. Gentles, black evening toilette, with cherry-coloured ribbons; Mrs. Mackay, becoming black gown with cream lace pelerine; Mrs. Mervyn Rejane looked pretty in a delicate pink silk gown, softened with white chiffon; Mrs. Warren Hlyth wore black net over silk, white net berthe and corsage bouquet of crimson geraniums; Miss F. Williamson; Miss Connolly, black evening gown, spangled with jet; Mrs. Passmore wore a pretty pale pink shirred crepe de chine, toned with chiffon; Miss Dyson, pretty silk gown, effectively trimmed with Paris lace and net; Miss — Dyson, pale pink skirt, pretty white silk blouse; Mrs. Ernest Ashton was graceful in cream voile, inserted with ceru lace; Mrs. Eliot Davis, dainty blue and white mousseline de soie gown with bands of ceru insertion; Mrs. Scott wore black and a handsome dove grey cloak; Mrs. H. Jones wore a pretty blue silk chiffon; Mrs. Archdale Taylor, effective black voile gown with jet décolletage, and green leaves in coiffure; Mrs. Cyril Bell was gowned in black with white transparent yoke and moss green velvet berthe and corsage; Miss Belle Moir, pretty porcelain blue silk and white lace blouse and black voile skirt; Miss L. Moir, blush rose pink silk blouse and black skirt, blue ribbon threaded in her hair; Misses Bock wore pretty pale green and white silk, respectively; Miss A. Culpan, white silk frock and wreathlet of red berries in her hair; Miss Goldie was in a dainty white silk; Miss Owen, white tucked silk blouse and black voile trained skirt; Miss Ada Owen, cameo pink silk blouse with white lace fichu.

HOCKEY DANCE.

The members of the Huia Hockey Club held their first euchre and dance of the season last week in the Masonic Hall, Princes-street, and it was a great success. There were about ninety couples present. Progressive euchre was played until 10 o'clock. Miss Mychart won the first prize, a very pretty silver-mounted bottle, presented by the secretary, Mrs. Best, and Mr. Martin carried off the gentlemen's prize, a handsome Indian worked tie-case, presented by the captain of the Club, Miss W. Smith. After cards the floor was cleared for dancing, which was kept up until the early hours of the morning. Marriage's band was in attendance. Mrs. Best looked well in a black silk evening dress; Mrs. Baginall wore white; Mrs. Gresham, handsome black silk, trained skirt; Miss F. Gresham, dainty cream frock; Miss Squirrel, pretty white silk; Miss Kathleen Whitaker, graceful black evening frock, corsage relieved with spray of pink roses; Miss Ruby Angove looked pretty in pale green silk, relieved with pink roses; Miss Elsie Cawkwell was dressed in white silk; Miss Evelyn Crawford, pretty silk frock, flowers on corsage; Miss Alice Angove was attired in a dainty pink silk; Miss Winifred Smith, charming white silk frock relieved with insertion, turquoise blue in hair; Miss Simpson, pretty pale yellow; Miss Gannon, cream frock, flowers in hair; Miss Young, white silk; Miss J. Smith, pretty blue silk relieved with insertion and lace; Miss N. Dorrer, blue silk blouse, pretty grey skirt; Miss — Dorrer looked well in black velvet; Miss Angus, white silk, flowers in hair; Miss Tills looked dainty in red silk; Miss Ruby Moore, white silk; Miss G. Wright, rose pink silk, flowers on corsage; Miss Fraser and Miss Wilkinson both wore dainty silk frocks; the Misses Grainger, stylish cream frocks, roses in hair; Miss Francis, becoming pink silk; Mrs. Williams wore black; Miss M. McLeod, pretty silk frock, Maltese lace trimming; the Misses Bartley, pretty white dresses. Amongst the gentlemen present were Messrs Whitaker, Simpson, Slater, Bagnall, Mead, McMuray, Passmore, McDonald, Gresham, Dye, Sanders, Gannon, Culpan, Angus, Sloman, and Winks.

DANCE AT PAPAOKURA.

A most enjoyable "Underland" Dance was given in the Papakura Hall by Mrs. James Black, Findlay, Younghusband,

and Miss Shepherd. There were about 50 couples present. Dancing was kept up with great zest from 7.30 till a quarter to twelve, when a delightful evening was brought to a close and three hearty cheers were given for the hostesses. A number of town guests drove up in a brake, returning after the dance. Some very pretty dresses were worn. Amongst those I noticed were Mrs. Black, cream and black gown; Mrs. Findlay, black accordion-pleated gown, cream lace; Mrs. Younghusband, shirred white lousine; Miss Shepherd, pink silk; Miss Black, eau-de-nil over pink silk, pink roses on corsage; Miss N. Black, white, with blue cordflowers; Miss W. Shepherd, white voile, blue sash; Mrs. Wheeler, accordion-pleated gown with cream lace berthe; Mrs. Gawn, black satin; Mrs. Hay, black stain relieved with cream lace; Mrs. Weir, pale yellow accordion-pleated silk bodice; Mrs. Lewis, black; Mrs. Barkley, black; Miss Coche, black lace; Miss Moir, green silk; Miss Rice, white silk; Miss Williamson, mauve; Miss Stevenson, turquoise silk; Miss Hobbes (Sydney), black and crimson; Miss Steele, black; Miss McCormick, black velvet; Miss Wingate, black, yellow on corsage; Miss Torrance, black and crimson; Miss Sloman, white; Miss Daubeney, white silk; Miss Harrowell, white silk; Miss White, cream and yellow; Miss Chantfield, cream and black; Miss McEwen, black and cream; Miss Willis, black and crimson; Miss Cave, white silk; Miss — Cave, white satin; the Misses Wright, white silk; Misses Barkley white silk.

PHYLLIS BROWN.

HAMILTON.

Dear Bee, July 17.
The annual ball given by the officers and men of the Auckland Mounted Rifles took place in the Hamilton Town Hall on Friday evening. About 75 couples were present. The hall and supper-room were prettily decorated with flags and evergreens. A programme of 22 dances was gone through, the extras being played by Mr. Panton. The duties of M.C. fell to Messrs. Panton and Livingstone, and were efficiently carried out. Mrs. Brewis acted as hostess. Some very pretty gowns were worn. Mrs. O'Neill had a handsome black silk gown, dove-coloured opera cape; Mrs. Stevens, black satin dress; Mrs. Sanders, black gown, pink opera cape; Mrs. Burd, black dress, red opera cape; Mrs. King, black; Mrs. Gaing, was graceful in cream net and satin trimmings; Mrs. Brewis, black lace, bodice relieved with pale pink; Mrs. Richardson (Cambridge), black gown, pretty theatre cloak; Mrs. Graham, black and white evening dress; Mrs. Cowley, cream; Mrs. Blackburn, black silk; Miss M. O'Neill looked stylish in pale yellow gown, bodice prettily trimmed with wallflower shade of velvet; Miss O'Neill, pretty pale green accordion-pleated evening frock; Miss Hill (Cambridge) looked pretty in white silk dress, red roses in hair; Mrs. Richardson, white silk; Miss Stevens, cream net gown; Miss Hanna looked pretty in white; Misses Cussen both wore white silk; Miss C. Wallnut, pale blue merveilleux evening gown; Miss — Sanders, pale pink dress finished with black velvet; Mrs. Preston, deep yellow silk gown; Miss Hooper, white; Miss Gibson, pink gown; Miss Swarbrick, pale pink silk covered with spotted net bodice, prettily finished with chiffon; Miss Chitty looked nice in pink brocade; Miss Hunt (Auckland), yellow; Miss Holloway, pale green gown; Misses Jephson, white frocks; Miss Hunt (Tamahere), cream; Miss G. Hunt, pale green silk; Miss Dowman, pink; Misses Ring,

white; Miss McGarrigle, white; Miss — McGarrigle, white silk relieved with yellow roses; Misses Bettyley, white gown; Miss McAliken, black silk; Miss Barton, blue silk; Miss Edgercombe, pretty red silk evening gown; Miss H. Graham, pale blue silk; Miss R. Graham looked pretty in white silk, prettily trimmed with lace and insertion; Miss Olive Graham, white silk evening gown; Miss Pickering, pale blue silk; Miss Ewen, pretty white frock with pink trimming. Among the gentlemen were Captain Bell, Sergeant-Major Coleman, Major Hunt, Dr. Brewis, Messrs. Salmon, Maingay, Panton, Chitty, McGarrigle, Cassey 12, Livingstone, Birkmeyer, Bell, Clarke, Richardson, M. Diamond, Ferguson, Holloway, Cowley, Blackburn, Pease, Edgercombe (B), Anderson.

GISBORNE.

Dear Bee, July 8.
The weather for the Gisborne Racing Club's STEEPCHASE MEETING was simply perfect. Both days were bright and sunny, and the races were interesting and exciting. A great many pretty dresses were worn. Among those I noticed were Mrs. Mann, who wore a pretty frock of rich brown cloth with an embroidered chiffon vest and brown beaver mushroom hat, trimmed with orange flowers; Mrs. Williams wore a navy blue cloth costume and navy blue hat; Mrs. Common wore brown cloth and dark green satin straw hat; Mrs. Jess-Blake was in navy blue cloth costume with facings and underbodice of white satin, white hat; Mrs. Cyril White wore fawn hopsack, trimmed with brown velvet, brown toque; Mrs. Macnorie-Morris, a long tight fitting coat and skirt of grey and green mixture tweed, and a small green toque; Miss Nellie Stewart, green plaid costume and green hat; Mrs. F. Parker was in brown cloth with lace front, white felt hat, trimmed with brown velvet; Mrs. A. F. Kennedy, a green coat and skirt and black hat; Mrs. A. W. Rees, navy blue cloth coat and skirt, black hat; Mrs. J. Clark, dark green cloth costume, hat with green bird; Mrs. Willcock wore a costume of dark violet and violet toque; Mrs. Beanson, grey cloth coat and skirt, red hat; Mrs. E. A. Pavitt, dark green tweed coat and skirt, black hat; Mrs. Pomare, cream serge with a red hat; Miss E. Clark, very pretty all green cloth costume, and hat to match; Miss Woodbine-Johnston, was in greyish blue cloth with a white hat; Miss H. Woodbine-Johnston, navy blue coat and skirt, faced with pale blue silk, brown hat; Miss E. Williamson, pretty dress of pale grey with embroidered chiffon vest, white chiffon hat with violet velvet; Miss Schumacher, black velvet long coat and skirt, black hat; Miss Worchmann, blue coat and skirt; Miss Reynolds, cream cloth costume, cream beaver hat; Miss R. Reynolds, dark grey striped coat and skirt, black hat; Miss Rutledge, grey mixture hopsack, black hat; Miss K. Rutledge, brown costume, hat to match; Miss E. Worchmann, green coat and skirt, black hat; Miss Evans, dark red costume, black hat; Miss T. Evans, navy blue coat and skirt, white facings, red mushroom hat; Miss S. Evans, brown costume and brown hat; Miss R. Boylan, navy blue cloth Norfolk coat and skirt, brown hat; Miss C. B. Ryan, navy blue serge costume, pale green silk vest, navy blue hat; Miss Hoskins, green cloth costume, white and green hat; Miss C. Reynolds, grey and white tweed costume, hat to match; Miss W. Reynolds, dark green cashmere with green silk applique, white beaver hat with

Mr. W. GARDNER, of Dunedin, Otago, HAS BEEN CURED OF A SCROTAL RUPTURE and now wears no truss whatever.



Mr. W. Gardner, Grosvenor Street, Dunedin, Otago, is a man 67 years of age. He had suffered several years from rupture, and the old spring trusses were of no use to him. He tried the Rice method of cure, and now he has had no occasion to wear any truss for more than two years. Thousands of men, women, and children, have been cured by this method without pain, danger, operation, or loss of time from work. Among them are Mr. G. Baisille, a teacher, 60 years of age, residing at Manu Road, N.E. Valley, Dunedin, and Mr. J. Cocker, Tapanui, Auckland, who is a farmer 62 years of age. He had suffered 40 years from a scrotal rupture when he used the Rice method and was cured. Write at once for a book giving full particulars of this method. The book has been used by many who claim to be cured, but have been at any time connected with any truss. Such statements are absolutely fraudulent. Beware of imitations of my method. Write at once for particulars of my Rice method to W. B. RICE, Rupture Specialist, Disp. 2304, S & S, Stonecutter Street, London, E.C.