

**NEW PLYMOUTH.**

Dear Bee, August 4.

**A MOST ENJOYABLE LITTLE BRIDGE PARTY**

was given by Miss J. Mackay, at the Burlington tea rooms; last Tuesday afternoon, for Mrs Bennett (nee Paul), who is on a visit to her parents here. Mrs Bennett won the first prize, a silver photograph frame, and Mrs Percy Webster the second, a silver button-hook. Miss Mackay received her guests in a navy blue and white costume, hat en suite; Mrs Claude Weston (nee Stewart), brown cloth costume furs, black hat with feathers; Miss Bayley, dark skirt, white silk blouse; Mrs Percy Webster, pretty myrtle green costume trimmed with violets and cream medallions, cream vest, toque to correspond; Mrs Bennett, charming black voile trimmed with cream lace, brown and cream hat; Mrs Oswin, grey coat and skirt, scarlet hat; Mrs Hill, light grey costume, white beaver hat; Mrs W. Spencer, grey costume, scarlet hat; Mrs Fraser, black and white beeked tuze trimmed with velvet and cream lace, brown bonnet; Miss J. Fraser, white silk blouse, black skirt; Mrs H. Bailey, navy and cream costume, hat en suite; Mrs Paul, black and white, toque to match; Mrs Fitzherbert, blue silk voile trimmed with white silk, hat to correspond.

Last Thursday evening Mrs Pritchard gave

**A DELIGHTFUL RECHIRE PARTY**

at her residence in Fulford-street. There were twenty tables. The first prize among the ladies was won by Miss Morey, a cut-glass and silver specimen vase. Mr Percy Webster won the first gentlemen's prize, a silver serviette ring. Mrs J. Hempton and Miss Devore won the "hoobies" prizes. A lovely supper was served in the dining-room. Mrs Pritchard wore black silk relieved with white lace; Miss Godfrey was striking in a rich black silk tucked and trimmed with lace; Mrs Pritchard, white silk blouse trimmed with pale blue ribbon, dark skirt; Miss Devore, white silk and lace; Mrs Collins, handsome blue corded silk blouse with cream lace yoke, black satin skirt; Mrs Leatham, white glaze veiled in black net; Mrs Percy Webster, cream silk and Paris lace blouse, cream voile tucked skirt; Mrs Mills, rose pink silk blouse, satin skirt; Mrs J. Hempton, black silk skirt, white tucked silk blouse; Miss A. Hempton, black; Mrs W. Newman, rich black satin; Mrs A. D. Gray, looked extremely well in black satin with accordion-pleated chiffon bodice; Mrs Elliott, cream voile trimmed with yuck insertion; Mrs Hutchison, black mervelleux with cream lace insertion; Miss Teed, pale blue tucked silk blouse, dark skirt; Miss Brown, cornflower blue silk blouse, satin skirt; Mrs Kenny, Mrs Wilson, Miss Devenish, black and gold blouse, dark skirt; Miss L. Jackson, yellow silk blouse, black velvet skirt; Miss Webster, blue silk and cream lace blouse, dark skirt; Miss B. Russell, pretty blue silk blouse trimmed with lovely lace, black silk skirt; Miss B. Evans, pretty pale-green flowered silk blouse, black mervelleux skirt; Miss Kirton, pale blue silk; Miss Liddell, rose pink; Miss Morey, pale pink silk blouse trimmed with Paris insertion, black skirt; Miss H. Rawson, pale blue broadened silk blouse, dark skirt; Miss J. Rawson, white satin trimmed with lace and chiffon. Among the gentlemen were Mrs P. Webster, Laidlaw, Buckley, Hoby, Hutchison (2), Elliott, Mills, Collins, Hempton, Newman, Knyvett, A. D. Gray, C. Gray, R. Standish, Gilmore, Rawson, Morey.

Mrs. Kemp gave a charming

**HANDKERCHIEF TEA**

last Thursday afternoon for Miss Mahel George, who is to be married shortly. Each guest also brought a photograph of herself, when a baby, and as soon as they entered the house it was numbered, and they were all arranged round the drawing-room. The one who guessed the most received the prize. Four who tried, had to draw lots, Miss Lucy Skinner coming first. Mrs. Kemp wore brown skirt brown silk blouse; Miss Kemp was much admired in pale blue canvas voile, with cream lace Victorian yoke; Miss A.

Kemp, white silk blouse, black skirt; Miss M. George, biscuit-coloured voile, scarlet hat; Mrs. W. Wilson, brown costume; Mrs. F. Russell, blue costume; Miss W. George, grey skirt, white silk blouse, scarlet hat; Miss G. Roth-worth, black, ermine furs; Miss E. Fookes, brown costume, brown furs, biscuit-coloured velvet and tangerine hat; Miss Matthews, brown costume, white cloth, and tangerine hat; Miss A. Wilson, black; Miss Cottrell, looked well in a fawn tweed coat and skirt, brown hat, with cream roses; Miss Skinner, black tucked voile, white lace, Victorian yoke, brown and tangerine hat; Miss Sadler, grey coat and skirt, black hat; Miss L. Skinner, myrtle green frock, with Paris insertion, brown ruffled felt hat; Miss M. Tuke, grey skirt, white blouse, white hat with violets; Miss G. McKellar, black.

On Thursday, 3rd instant, Mrs. H. Leatham gave a delightful

**AFTERNOON TEA**

for Mrs. Bewley, who has just returned from a trip to the Old Country. During the afternoon songs were sung by Mesdames Home, Pope, Paton, and Hearst, and Dr. Leatham gave some selections on the piano. Mrs. Leatham received her guests in a black silk voile with killings on skirt, edged with rows of satin ribbon; Mrs. Bewley, sad brown costume, toque trimmed with shaded yellow, turquoise ornaments; Mrs. Matthews, Prussian blue costume, black and cream hat; Mrs. Mitchell (Southland) pale grey coat and skirt, red blouse, and hat; Mrs. W. Skinner, black figured voile, handsomely trimmed with steel trimming, black feathered hat; Mrs. Simpson, brown costume, cream strappings, black hat; Miss Simpson, black with scarlet hat; Mrs. Munro, light brown costume, seal-skin jacket; Mrs. Devenish, Miss Devenish, black costume, scarlet hat; Mrs. Black, tartan check coat, and skirt, hat en suite; Mrs. Paul, handsome black voile, with embroidered medallion trimming, black and white toque; Mrs. Laing, Prussian blue costume, seal jacket; Mrs. Bennett (nee Paul) looked well in a navy blue coat and skirt, cream hat trimmed with red roses; Mrs. Fookes; Mrs. H. Fookes, navy blue costume, pretty heliotrope silk front, black feathered hat; Mrs. Fitzherbert, navy blue silk voile, brown felt hat; Mrs. Hankins (Palmerston); Mrs. William Bayly, handsome black voile; Miss Bayly, brown costume, hat en suite; Mrs. Aldenbrook, blue-grey costume, cream silk front, black hat; Mrs. Paton, navy blue costume, cream Victorian toque to match; Mrs. Sladden, black, brown furs; Mrs. Corn-wall, black; Mrs. Pope, beeked grey costume; Mrs. Beard, dark brown costume, seal-Russian blouse, white felt hat; Mrs. Robertson, black; Mrs. Wright, grey Russian jacket, black skirt, black hat trimmed with yellow; Mrs. McClelland, black silk voile, velvet and jet blouse; lovely shaded great hat; Mrs. Home, brown and cream silk voile, hat to correspond; Mrs. Douy Gray, fawn and dark brown costume, brown and white hat; Miss Mar-hall, navy blue costume, pale blue feather ruffled hat; Mrs. Bedford, black silk, and lace bonnet trimmed with wall flowers.

NANCY LEE.

**PALMERSTON NORTH.**

Dear Bee, August 4th.

**WEST'S PICTURES**

have been attracting large audiences at the Opera House every night this week. To go to that entertainment once means you must go again, not only to see the beautiful pictures, but to enjoy the good laugh you are sure to get. During the week at different times I have noticed Mr. and Mrs. Gifford Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Baldwin, Mr. and Mrs. Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Guy, Mr. and Mrs. Milton, Mr. and Mrs. Park, Misses Park, Mr. and Mrs. Bagnall, Mr. and Mrs. Waldegrave, Mr. and Mrs. H. Cooper, Mr. and Mrs. Goldingham, Mr. and Mrs. McKnight, Misses Fraser, Miss Dalrymple, Mrs. and Miss Armstrong, Dr. and Mrs. Stowe, Mr. and Mrs. Pickett, Mr. and Miss Keeling, Mr. and Mrs. Cohen, Mr. and Mrs. Connell, Misses Wilson, Hayward, Bond, Richter, Robinson, Randolph, Bell, Waldegrave, Mr. and Mrs. Robinson, Messrs. Warburton, Hankins, Bond, Wal-

degrave, Wishall, Elliott, Spencer, Hogg, Vaughan, Smith, Bagnall, Richter, Keel-ling, Filton, Reed, Fitzherbert, Mrs. Naim-stad, Miss Moller, Miss Leath-

**On Tuesday at the HOKOWHITU LINKS**

the ladies' monthly stroke competition took place. Of the seniors Miss Abrah-am, 6, 108, was first; Mrs. Moore, 12, 120, second; Mrs. Mellhop, 17, 123, third. Others who entered were Mrs. Strang scratch, Mrs. Fraeh 6, Mrs. Abraham 2, Mrs. Cohen 4, Mrs. Mouro 6, Miss Slack 4, Mrs. Davidson 4, Mrs. Parritt 17, Mrs. Sim 15, Mrs. Moore 12. Among the juniors Mrs. Louison, 16, 109, came first; Miss Hankins, 15, 118, second; Mrs. Leary, 12, 124, third, Miss Fitzherbert scratch, Mrs. Milton 10, Mrs. Warburton 12, Mrs. O'Brien scratch, Miss E. Waldegrave 18, Miss Bell 18, Miss M. Waldegrave 12 and so played. The Manawatu Club sent a team to Wellington on Saturday last. Wellington defeated the local players by seven games to four; one match being drawn. The following Palmerston players don their matches: Messrs. J. Stiang, L. A. Abraham, P. C. Fraeh, and Bruce. Colonel Gorton killed his match.

The Carl Club had a bridge evening on Tuesday. It was a stormy wet night, and the attendance of members was very small.

**VIOLET.**

**HAWERA.**

Dear Bee, August 3.

The long-looked-for Hunt Club ball is now a thing of the past, and only recollections of it are left. Needless to say they are very pleasant ones, as this ball is the feature of the year in Hawera. I think this one even surpassed all others, such splendid work having been done by the various committees. The decorations were carried out on a lavish scale. The side-room, which is generally used for supper, was utilised as a drawing-room. It was curtained off into three rooms, and these were very cosily fitted up with armchairs, lounges, etc., with a background of masses of greenery, which gave a most pleasing effect. Hook's Sample Rooms (which adjoin the Opera House) were used for supper, and a capital idea it proved to be too, the old supper-room never having been large enough. The supper, as usual, was a most sumptuous one. The table decorations were charmingly carried out, mostly in the Hunt Club colours, red and white, and those responsible are to be congratulated on their work, as flowers are so very scarce just now. The music supplied by McKinnon Bab's Orchestra, of New Plymouth, was excellent. There were about one hundred couples present, which is not quite as many as last year. Naturally, the floor was not too crowded, and dancing was more enjoyable. Visitors were present from all parts, even as far South as Raungitikei. Amongst those I noticed were—Mrs Lovell, in black satin, relieved with jewelled trimmings, angel sleeves of pink embroidered chiffon; Mrs Page, a lovely gown of white silk, prettily trimmed; Miss Alexander, black satin; Mrs Wilks, black satin, relieved with red; Mrs Coutts, black brocade; Mrs Brett, black silk grenadine over white glaze slip; Mrs Williams, black net over silk slip; Mrs Piper, black satin; Mrs T. Alexander, black silk; Miss Baird, white muslin, prettily frilled; Miss P. Baird, frock of pink silk, daintily trimmed with a deeper shade of silk; Miss O'Neil (Stratford), white satin, trimmed with chiffon; Miss Hastie (Manana), pink silk; Miss Mitchell (Manana), blue silk; Miss Mitchell, white silk; Miss Douglas, red chiffon over silk slip; Miss Day, white frilled muslin, finished with pale blue; Miss White, yellow silk, trimmed with gathered ribbon; Miss Riddiford (Palmerston North), white satin, relieved with chiffon; Miss Lutter, frock of pale blue silk, profusely trimmed with chiffon and lace; Miss Brett, white muslin, frilled and edged with white satin bebe ribbon; Mrs Fambam, shot yellow silk; Miss Simmonds (Patea), heliotrope silk; Miss Worrall, pink velvet; Miss Gibson (Patea), white silk; her sister was wearing a dainty frock of white muslin, profusely frilled; Miss M. Hirst, heliotrope silk, inserted with

lace; Miss Ryan (Manana), frock of white silk, prettily shirred; Miss Newland, cream net over silk; Mrs Syme (Eltham), beautiful frock of pink glaze silk, relieved with gathered lace; Miss Maysmore, black voile, tucked and relieved with pale lace; Miss Paterson, yellow silk, the corsage trimmed with violets; Miss Glenn (Manana), gown of red silk, long fichu of handsome lace; Miss Sowerly, rose satin, the corsage relieved with fichu of chiffon; Miss Leupler, heliotrope silk, with panel in front of white shirred silk; Miss Carey, black satin, the corsage with deep berthe of point lace; Miss Reilly, white muslin; Miss C. Reilly, white silk; Mrs R. Smith, yellow brocade finished with jewelled trimmings; Mrs Young (Orakeho), white silk; Miss Sewing (Manana), white satin with sequin trimmings; Miss Alexander, white ribbed net over pink silk; Miss McRae, white satin; Miss Stratton, white silk; Miss Coutts, white silk, the corsage trimmed with lace insertions; Miss Brewer (Wanganui), cream satin, the corsage trimmed with accordion-pleated chiffon; Mrs Caven, white muslin; Miss Rennerchasset (Eltham), white silk trimmed with jewelled net, and relieved with pale blue; Miss Nicholas, white silk, prettily shirred; Mrs Jory, black silk; Miss Livingstone, blue silk, tucked and trimmed with lace; Miss Cook, black silk; Mrs Cook, red silk; Miss Hamilton, cream satin. Amongst the gentlemen were Dr. Westema, Messrs White, Baird, Hastie (2), Gordon, Mitchell (2), Glenn, Taylor, Burke, Aikun, Baird (2), Hamilton (2), Mennerchasset, Jory, Nicholas, Murray (Eltham), Bryce (Raungitikei), Larocru, Douglas, McRae, Alexander, Piper, Lovell, R. Smith, Willis, Sadler, Piper, Williams, Haydon, Norton (Patea), Buchanan, etc.

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