

CAMBRIDGE.

Dear Bee,

June 2.

On Tuesday evening Mrs James Hally, of "Valmai," gave one of her thoroughly enjoyable musical evenings. The fine large drawing room looked charming with its artistic arrangement of lovely flowers, principally late chrysanthemums and autumn leaves and pots of exquisite maidenhair ferns. Those contributing to the musical part of the entertainment were Mrs A. Gibbons, Miss Mitchell (Auckland), Miss Willis, Miss Taylor, Miss J. Brooks, and the Misses Skeet. Recitations were given by Miss K. Hally, Messrs C. C. Buckland and Dixon. A recherche supper was served. Mrs Hally received her guests in a rich black silk trimmed with lace. She was assisted by daughters—Mrs A. Gibbons, wearing a most becoming dress of white silk trimmed with string-coloured lace and insertion, the corsage cut square at the neck and elbow sleeves; Miss Hally, who looked chic in a dainty frock of embroidered biscuit-coloured canvas voile made over apricot glaze silk, transparent yoke of tucked biscuit coloured chiffon trimmed with folds of silk and elbow sleeves; Miss A. Hally, in pale blue flowered muslin, and the two little girls in tucked white silks, their hair tied with white ribbon bows. Mrs McCullagh wore a white silk blouse trimmed with champagne-coloured lace, black voile skirt; Mrs Vercoe (Hinuera), white blouse embroidered in pale blue, black skirt; Mrs C. Hunter, black silk blouse, black skirt; Mrs Jefferson, black silk blouse with cream vest, black skirt; Miss Mitchell, white chiffon blouse over black, large lace collar with touches of red, black skirt; Miss Taylor, soft black silk with bertha of white lace and spray of pale pink roses on corsage; Miss Ruddock (Auckland), black and white figured muslin trimmed with frills of white Valenciennes lace; Miss Willis, white silk blouse trimmed with lace and gauging, black silk skirt; Miss Gwynneth, pink silk and cream lace blouse, black skirt; Miss Wright, pale blue soft silk gown with bertha of champagne lace and elbow sleeves trimmed with lace to match; Miss Hill, pale pink silk frock with yoke of string-coloured lace; Miss H. Wells, white and pale blue flowered canvas voile trimmed with lace; Miss Skeet, pretty pale green silk blouse and black skirt; Miss Ruby Skeet, a becoming frock of white embroidered muslin with centre of pink silk; Miss Brooks, white silk trimmed with lace; Miss J. Brooks, blue nun's veiling trimmed with silk-Maltese lace.

THE WAIKATO HUNT CLUB

met at the Fenouet Creamery on Saturday. The day was lovely, and there was a large number of huntsmen and friends out. Some splendid runs took place during the afternoon. The party adjourned to Mr and Mrs C. Lake's residence, where refreshing afternoon tea was partaken of. On leaving, three hearty cheers were given for Mr and Mrs Lake. Amongst those out were Mrs Thornton, on Fidget, Mrs Fair on Richmond, Miss Taylor on Gaiety, Miss Ruddock (Auckland) on Chloc, Miss Pickering on Jacko; Miss Bloomfield (Auckland) on Waiomo; the Whip on Scout, Mr Wyn Brown on Nehuta, the huntsman on St. Hippo, Messrs W. Douglas on Country Girl, J. L. S. Richardson on Tsara, A. Richardson on Lady-Bird, C. Lake on Bachelor, W. Taylor on Pirate, Reynolds on Ratter, H. Crowther on Vesper, I. Taylor on George, Smythe on Dandy Dick. Driving were the master of the hounds and Mrs Banks, Captain and Mrs Lyons Montgomery, Mrs Wyn Brown, Misses Richardson and Douglas and C. Lake, jun.

ELSIE.

NAPIER.

Dear Bee,

June 1.

On Wednesday evening last Miss Goldsmith gave a most enjoyable little

CARD PARTY.

as a farewell to Mr G. P. Smith, who left next day for his home in England. Miss Goldsmith received the guests in a black satin dress covered with net, bodice trimmed with white lace; Miss Gold-

smith wore a dainty pale blue accordion-pleated silk dress with large red roses in bodice and hair; Mrs Russell, handsome pink brocaded satin skirt trimmed with frills of silk, bodice trimmed with lace; Miss Locking, pretty pale blue accordion-pleated chiffon dress, pale blue bow in hair; Miss McLean, dainty pink silk blouse with soft pink full skirt to match; Miss McLernon, pale blue silk blouse trimmed with cream lace, black satin skirt; Miss C. McLernon, black silk dress, bodice trimmed with a bertha of white point lace; Miss Margulouth, white silk blouse covered with net and trimmed with black velvet; Miss D. Kennedy, white silk and insertion blouse, black satin skirt; Miss S. Rutherford, dainty pale pink voile dress trimmed with velvet. Amongst the gentlemen were Messrs. Smith, Margulouth, Russell, Rowe, Goldsmith, Brabant, etc. The prizes were won by Mr and Mrs Russell.

MARJORIE.

NEW PLYMOUTH.

Dear Bee,

June 2.

A FANCY DRESS AND MASQUE BALL

was held in the Theatre Royal last Friday evening, and although there were other counter attractions there were a fair number present. A delicious supper was served in the Burlington Tea Rooms. Exquisite music was rendered by Bain's orchestra. Among those present were: Miss Day (Hawera), in black satin, en train, powder and patches; Miss Bunton looked well as Punchinella; Mrs. Kimbell (Stratford), pretty heliotrope brocade, powder and patches; Miss Rapley, Japanese lady; Miss Riddell (Hawera), dancing girl; Mrs. Penn, vivandiere; Miss Ethel Penn made a dainty Pierrette; Miss Liddell, lawyer; Miss G. Colson looked well as a Dutch peasant; Miss N. McAllum, Mother Ship-ton; Miss J. Fraser looked extremely well as a French maid; Miss E. Saxton, nurse; Miss E. Bayley was much admired as a Dresden shepherdess; Mrs. Robertson, lawyer; Mrs. Wright looked well as night; Mrs. Rollo, dancing girl; Miss R. Clarke, striking Turkish lady; Miss Brewster, Pierrette, white and scarlet; Miss V. Brett, 16th century lady; Miss N. Hanna was much admired as Pierrette; Miss Simpson, Dresden shepherdess; Miss L. Brown, white silk, powder and patches; Misses Bedford (2), Pierrettes; Miss Crawford, black, with scarlet roses; Miss Doris Skinner, black velvet, powder and patches; Miss Hoskin, Miss E. Hoskin, pretty green silk, trimmed with chiffon; Miss Hall, pretty figured net, banded with satin ribbon; Miss L. Webster, pale green silk, trimmed with cream lace and black velvet; Mrs. Oswin, ruby velvet; Mrs. Alec Hill, royal blue satin, cream chiffon, tucked; Mrs. Meek (Hawera), pretty pale blue silk, cream chiffon fichu, finished with pale silk chiffon roses; Miss A. Kemp, pale green silk, with cream lace bertha; Miss Kelly, white net with bands of satin ribbon; Miss T. Hoskin, white frilled silk; Miss Calders, cream tucked silk, red roses on corsage; Mrs. H. Stocker, pale pink with black velvet empire bell; Miss E. Rennell, turquoise silk, with cream opera coat; Miss O. Rennell, black silk; Miss R. Crawford, pale pink silk; Miss Amy Crawford, white muslin. Among the gentlemen were: Messrs. R. Scott, Nicholson, Preshaw, Humphries (2), Day, Aitken (Stratford), Macey, Hansen, Waters, Allen, Hallett, Hanna, Lux, Stocker, Gunson, Armitage, Weir, Williams, Hervey, Baker; Hassie (Manaia), Oswin, Fraser, Edwards, Cathro.

NANCY LEE.

WANGANUI.

Dear Bee,

June 1.

The weather was again perfect for the second day's racing at the

WANGANUI WINTER MEETING.

There was a very good attendance of the public, although it was not quite so large as on the first day. Amongst the stylish toilettes I noticed on the lawn were those of Mrs Abbott (Wellington), who was in a bright navy blue canvas, short bolero showing rows of black velvet buttons, champagne lace vest with gossamer frills of Valenciennes lace, very small blue beaver hat with

large blue feather upprey, hanging at the side; Mrs Foyster (Hawera), cream serge coat and skirt, vest of cream silk, dainty green straw mushroom hat with ribbons and a bunch of shaded green roses and foliage; Mrs H. Good, (Hawera), cream serge costume, brown fur stole and muff, crimson straw hat with wings and ribbons to match; Miss Baker, black cloth coat and skirt, black straw pill-box toque with wings and grey velvet roses at the back; Mrs A. Bayley (Stratford), cream serge frock, the Russian coat with revers of lace, brown fur stole and muff, pastel blue fine straw hat with ribbons to match at the side of the upturned brim, white ostrich feather; Mrs Speed (Australia), pale green check tweed costume, the coat was three-quarter, and vest of cream with blue silk tie, blue velvet hat with blue and green shaded silk ribbons at the back, and swathing the crown, large drooping blue and green coque feathers; Mrs Rutherford (Picton), smart navy blue cloth, three-quarter coat and skirt, cream vest, floral toque of violets; Miss Rutherford (Picton), green cloth coat and skirt faced with white cloth, pretty cream felt with fur and green shaded ribbon, a brown fur and muff to match; her sister was gowned in a pale grey tweed coat and skirt, white felt hat with white ribbons and feathers, white fur stole and muff; Mrs H. Speed, black cloth coat and skirt, petunia shaded hat with ribbons, and a spray of the same shaded flowers at the back; Mrs Gill-Carey (Hawera), grey herringbone tweed flecked with electric blue, with three-quarter coat of the same material, black straw hat with pastel blue velvet bow under the upturned brim, and blue shaded bird; Miss Phillips (Canterbury), light grey tweed, the coat was tight fitting with deep basque with large steel buckle, collar and revers of grey cloth banded with narrow braid, fancy straw hat of green shades with bandeau of pale ribbon and wings; Mrs Nolan (Hawera), black embroidered voile gown with ruchings of black satin, black straw hat with wings and pale pink roses; Mrs Brower (Way-erley), black voile with vest of cream satin veiled in champagne lace, black and gold bonnet; Mrs Tripe (Palmerston North), grey tweed costume with long coat of the same material, cream silk vest, pale grey felt hat with chiffon and wings; Mrs Bell (Palmerston North); black cloth coat and skirt, hat to match; Mrs A. Bell (Palmerston North), pale grey Norfolk tweed coat and skirt, felt hat relieved with crimson; Mrs Major (Hawera), navy blue cloth tailor-made costume, the coat was made with a deep basque, cream vest, pretty blue felt hat with a blue shaded bird at the side; Miss Morse (Fordell), smart grey tweed three-quarter coat and skirt, black hat with black birds in it; Mrs Mackay, navy blue serge coat and skirt, cream silk vest, white felt hat with large grey bird on the crown, and bandeau of shaded violets and silk; Mrs A. Izard, golden brown cloth costume, vest of champagne lace, three-quarter Empire coat of bottle green cloth, braided in black and rosette of black velvet in the front, brown straw toque with green ribbon and quills; Mrs Blundell, black serge sac coat and skirt, front of champagne lace, dark red felt hat with velvet, and bandeau of velvet and folded red chiffon from the crown, with spray of red roses and foliage; Mrs H. Good, navy blue canvas frock with wide belt of blue velvet, and yoke of champagne lace applique, blue silk flowers, stone marten stole, large cream beaver hat with wreath of cream roses and foliage; Miss Wilford (Wellington), stylish dark green cloth, close-fitting coat, and skirt, cuffs and revers of cream cloth embroidered in cream cloth edged with narrow Valenciennes and green silk, vest of embroidered lace, brown straw French sailor hat with spray of beautiful brown and tap shaded roses, with green leaves, bandeau of the same flowers; Mrs Fairburn, navy blue voile with champagne net vest, crimson straw Breton sailor hat with velvet and crimson roses at the back and crimson wing on the crown; Mrs James Watt, pale grey Norfolk coat and skirt, cream vest, with petunia silk tie, petunia shaded hat with satin ribbon and wings to match; Mrs McNaughton Christie, navy blue cloth coat and skirt, with collar, revers and cuffs of cream cloth banded with black braid, white silk vest, navy blue felt toque with wings and bunch of dark red velvet roses and foliage; Mrs Gifford Marshall, navy blue cloth costume, the Russian coat

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