

Evans also wore white silk, with cream lace Kingston bretelles; Madame Chambers, who accompanied Miss Evans, was in black chiffon taffeta, and a black velvet Louis bow in her coiffure; Mrs Parkes wore black crepe de chine, with fine ivory lace entourage; Mrs. Millar, pretty floral blouse and black skirt, and white evening cape; Miss Nelson, white silk frock, with lace V; Miss English, white silk; Miss Ella English, white silk, inset with lace; Mrs. Kerr-Taylor, black toilette; Misses Kerr-Taylor were in Nil green crepe frocks; Miss Binks, black taffeta, with cream lace on corsage; Miss Kirker, white silk; her sister also wore white silk, with touches of blue; Miss Tibbs, white silk; Mrs. Goldie, black and white silk toilette; Miss Judson, cream voile skirt, and white silk blouse; Mrs. Rainger, rose pink silk; Mrs. Matthews, cream evening coat, with lace; Mrs. J. G. Mitchell, white silk; Miss Essie Holand, white, and a crimson coat; Miss Patterson, navy silk, with cream lace yoke and narrow frills; Miss Pickmore, black, and scarlet blue evening coat; Mrs R. Cameron, white silk, and grey coat; Mrs. Newell, black toilette; Miss Newell, white silk blouse, and black skirt; Miss Ainsley, cream point d'esprit evening gown, and turquoise blue coat; Miss Gertrude Hunt, black silk evening frock.

#### YOUNG WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION.

There was a large number present at the annual meeting of the Y.W.C.A. on Friday evening in their rooms, Wellesley-street. A most enjoyable tea was served in the refreshment room on numerous small tables, which were prettily decorated with white and yellow jonquils and narcissi. After pleasant talk with friends over the "tea cups" the party wound their way up the stairs to the large room, where a varied entertainment was enjoyed. Mr J. W. Stewart presided over the gathering. Mr Stewart, in a short address, and Mr Macaulay Caldwell congratulated the association on the completion of another successful year achieved. The report was read by the secretary, Mrs Palmer, and stated that the association had been well attended during the year. Among the helpers I noticed Mrs Maetier, Mrs G. A. Buttle, Mrs S. Gilbert, Mrs T. L. Murray, Mrs J. J. Craig, Mrs J. Wilson, Mrs Whitney, Mrs Percy and the Misses Nellie Stewart, A. Murray, Maetier, etc.

PHYLIS BROWN.

#### CAMBRIDGE.

Dear Bee, July 13.  
On Thursday evening the ladies of Cambridge gave

A DANCE FOR YOUNG PEOPLE, and it was a great success. The floor was splendid, and the music good. The committee had gone to endless trouble in decorating. I think I never saw the hall looking better. The stage was made picturesque with greenery and carpets and easy chairs, and small tables for bridge for the non-dancers. Three parts of the new supper-room was used by the dancers for sitting-out, and it was most charmingly transformed. As one entered from the hall-room, a large fern tree occupied the centre of the room, around which cushioned seats were arranged to form a triangle, and all sorts of cosy corners were arranged by means of screens and mikau palms, etc. The general effect was charming. The supper was excellent. The table was tastefully arranged with pink and white camellias. There were just a sufficient number present to be able to dance with comfort, and to judge by the happy faces, all seemed to be having a good time. Amongst those present were: Mrs. J. R. Richardson, in black canvas voile, with transparent yoke of lace, and spray of violets on corsage; Mrs. Pickering, black spotted net over black silk; Mrs Roberts, black silk evening frock, trimmed with black spotted net, spray of violets on corsage and in coiffure, and handsome French grey coat; Mrs. R. J. Roberts, rich black silk, with transparent yoke of lace; Mrs. Martyn, black velvet; Miss Gwynneth, black silk, trimmed with spotted net and silk applique; Mrs. W. Main, black net evening dress, and crimson roses in coiffure; Mrs. Lucy Peake wore a lovely gown of cream satin, with trained skirt, with wide panel in front of embroidered chiffon; Mrs. C. Peake,

black silk evening frock, and berthe of white lace; Mrs. N. Banks, string-coloured net, over white silk, and ceinture of flowered silk; Mrs. V. Coates, black net evening frock; Miss Banks, soft white silk over pink silk; Mrs. A. Gibbons, a most becoming dress of eau de Nil chiffon taffeta over pale pink gace, a folded bodice, trimmed with lace, and spray of tiny pink roses; Miss Hally, white muslin de soie, trimmed with quantities of French Valenciennes lace; Miss Hill, white silk and pink roses in coiffure; Miss Wells, pink silk evening frock, with spray of tea roses on corsage; Miss M. Evans (New Plymouth), white muslin frock; Miss Pickering, a becoming frock of soft white silk; Miss — Pickering, pink voile; Miss — Pickering (debutante), white silk, and spray of lilies of the valley in coiffure; Miss Ranstead, pale blue silk; Miss Payne, pale pink silk; Miss Taylor, black chiffon taffeta, with bertha and tucker of fine white lace; Miss M. Taylor, pale green silk; Miss Richardson, soft white silk, with lace bertha; Miss Cox, white spotted grenadine over pink silk; Miss P. Kland, heliotrope silk evening frock; Miss Stone, white silk.

ELSIE.

#### GISBORNE.

Dear Bee, July 12.  
I wanted to tell you of the Gisborne Steeplechase meeting held here last week, but the weather and the roads were so miserably wet that not a great number of people went out. The second day the attendance was better, as the weather was fine, but mostly warm cloaks and coats and skirts were worn, and the grandstand, which usually is packed with brightly dressed ladies, presented a more sombre appearance on this occasion.

Last Monday Miss Hermie Agnew-Browne gave

#### A VERY JOLLY GIRLS' AFTERNOON.

After delicious afternoon tea had been partaken of, we were all handed a slip of paper on which were the names of well-known composers, but disguised in such a way as to make it very hard to guess them. However, Miss Marjorie Campbell-Thompson was successful in guessing the most, and the prize was a dainty trinket box. Mrs. Agnew-Browne wore shepherd's plaid costume, faced with green velvet; Miss Agnew-Browne, white voile, with lace; Miss H. Agnew-Browne, pale blue silk skirt, white silk blouse; Mrs. W. Grey, blue cloth costume, hat en suite; Miss Grey, green and brown mixture long coat and skirt, smart little green chenille hat, with plume and touches of brown; Miss Foster, wine-coloured cloth costume, pale pink felt hat; Miss Murray, striped grey and white costume, cream hat, with blue and cream rosettes; Miss L. Coleman, deep red costume, hat to match; Miss Ferguson, navy cloth costume, blue felt hat, with blue plumes; Miss Boylan, grey tweed costume, red hat; Miss E. Grey, navy costume, white and navy hat; Miss M. Campbell-Thompson, dark green dress, green felt hat; Miss Thompson (Christchurch), coat and skirt of mauve and grey tweed, pretty shaded hat of mauve, and violet plume; Miss D. Bright, dark red costume, red velvet hat.

On Wednesday afternoon, at the Alexandra Tea Rooms, Mrs. W. Grey and Miss Grey gave a very jolly afternoon for their friends, and, with tea and talk, the afternoon passed only too quickly. Mrs. W. Grey wore navy cloth costume, hat en suite; Miss Grey, green and brown costume, green chenille hat, with brown wing; Mrs. Palairat, black costume, black hat; Mrs. J. Clark, brown costume, brown hat; Mrs. A. Seymour, cream plaid costume, white felt hat, with plume; Mrs. J. Blair, black serge costume, cream cloth vest, black velvet hat, with feathers; Miss S. Evans, black costume, faced with white, black hat; Miss Oberlin-Brown (Auckland), green plaid costume, trimmed with green velvet, blue hat, with touches of green; Miss H. Agnew-Browne, navy costume, fawn hat, with brown velvet; Miss Clark, cream serge costume, white felt hat, white furs; Miss Cook (Christchurch), grey-green costume, white hat; Miss E. Grey, grey cloth costume, grey and white hat; Miss Zoe Williams, purple costume, hat to match; Miss M. Foster, green cloth costume, green felt hat; Miss Boylan, red cloth skirt, cream jacket, red hat; Miss Tucker, navy costume, shaded red velvet hat.

LISA.

#### NAPIER.

Dear Bee, July 12.  
THE ORCHESTRAL CONCERT

held in the Theatre Royal last week was a great success, and Mr Spaekman is to be congratulated on his performers. Miss Large was in splendid form, and her pretty voice was greatly admired; Dr. Zeile's voice was also very enjoyable. Amongst the audience I noticed:—Mrs Bowen wore a pretty moss-green silk frock, cream lace yoke; Miss Bowen, white muslin and lace frock, pink ribbons; Miss Hormor looked charming in a dainty white silk gown, berthe of white lace, white chiffon scarf; Mrs Humphries, black satin and lace, grey chiffon coat; Miss Hay (Auckland), white silk dress, blue folded belt; Miss Williams, pale pink silk blouse, touches of black velvet, black satin skirt; Mrs Campbell, black satin frock, pale grey coat, trimmed with lace; Miss Fannin, dainty pale blue silk blouse, trimmed with lace, black skirt; Miss Clark, white silk dress, trimmed with lace, blue belt; Miss Kennedy, cream frock, trimmed with green velvet; Miss D. Kennedy blue frock, blue chiffon scarf; Miss Dean, white silk blouse, dark skirt; Miss McLean, pale pink silk frock, red flowers on bodice; Miss Jardine, becoming black satin frock, white lace on the bodice; Miss Humphries, white chiffon and lace frock; Miss Hoadley, white muslin and lace frock, touches of blue; Miss McFarlane, white silk and lace blouse, black satin skirt; Mrs Baker, blue satin dress, trimmed with cream lace, fur coat; Miss E. Williams, pink silk dress, berthe of pink chiffon; Miss Tonkin, sky-blue voile frock, lace yoke, and cuffs; Miss Dodd, cream lace frock, bodice trimmed with blue velvet, blue belt; Mrs Edgar, blue silk frock; Miss Locking, white frock, pretty blue velvet coat; Miss Rutledge, white silk trimmed with lace, blue ribbons; Miss Grayham, white taffeta and lace dress; Miss Hayne, black silk dress, cream lace vest, touches of blue velvet; Miss McLernon, brown taffeta gown, trimmed with cream lace; Miss Hindmarsh, red silk dress, cream lace yoke, cream coat; Mrs Stuart, white voile frock, red coat, white furs; Miss M. Williams, pink silk blouse, cream cloth skirt; Miss Simeux, pale blue poplin frock, pretty white silk lace scarf; Miss Carter, white frock, rose pink and lace coat; Mrs Calman, black taffeta and lace frock; Miss Campbell, pink and white flowered blouse, pink roses, white voile skirt; Miss Hill, handsome black frock, trimmed with lace and black velvet; Miss D. Hall, pink silk frock, bolero of Valenciennes lace; Mrs Triggs, blue frock, trimmed with chiffon, blue coat; Mrs Henley, black satin Gobelin blue coat, trimmed with fur; Mrs Leagy, dainty blue silk blouse, black satin skirt; Mrs C. Canning, pretty white and black spotted chiffon frock, trimmed with black velvet; Miss King, pale green frock, pink roses; Miss Brown, white and pink spotted silk frock, pink belt.

MARJORIE.

#### NEW PLYMOUTH.

Dear Bee, July 12.  
Another of Miss Bedford's CINDERELLA DANCES.

eventuated last Wednesday evening in the Freemason's Hall, and was thoroughly enjoyed by those present, as the men were in the majority. The supper table was prettily decorated with pink and white camellias, while the floor was, as usual, in excellent order. Amongst those present were: Miss Bedford, cream figured tussore, with an olive green velvet ribbon belt, and shoulder straps, pale blue rosette in coiffure; Miss D. Bedford, shrimpy pink silk, full frilled skirt, fichu of cream lace, finished with tiny bows of pink ribbon; Mrs. G. Kebbell looked well in a brocaded silk Empire gown, finished with a dainty fichu of white chiffon; Miss Kebbell, cream tuck-

ed silk, with pale blue folded Empire belt; Miss Hanna, black silk, relieved with rose-pink silk wash; Miss N. Hanna, pale blue silk, inserted with cream lace, black velvet bow on corsage and in hair; Miss Bayley, black tuckered silk, full skirt, decolletage relieved with bands of pale blue silk running parallel; Miss Brewster, turquoise blue voile, cream net tucker, pale blue flowers in coiffure; Miss S. Capel, black mervilleux, with white chiffon frills on corsage; Miss N. Capel, black satin, cream lace berthe, finished with pale pink roses; Misses Gray (2) and Miss L. Skinner wore their bridesmaids dresses, of pale green muslin, three-flounced skirt, finished with tiny tucks, cream lace yoke, relieved with shaded pink roses; Miss L. McAllum, white book muslin, satin bands on skirt, rose-pink ribbon in coiffure; Mrs. Penn, black crepe de chine, with scarlet belt, and roses on corsage; Miss E. Penn, white tuckered silk, with emerald green ribbon in hair; Miss M. Webster, white silk, full tuckered skirt, pale blue silk folded belt; Miss L. Brown, pale pink floral muslin, silk folded belt, frills edged with Valenciennes lace; Miss A. Avery,



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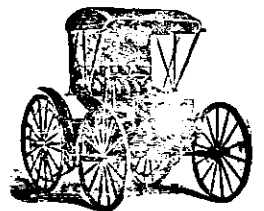
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