

Births, Marriages, and Deaths.

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BIRTHS.

BEST.—On February 8th, at her residence, Avondale, the wife of C. M. Best of a daughter.

BRAGATO.—On February 7th, at Khyber Pass, Auckland, to Mr and Mrs R. Bragato, a daughter.

FRENCH.—On February 13, at their residence, Point Chevalier, to Mr. and Mrs. Samuel French, a daughter; both doing well.

MACKIE.—On February 7th, 1908, at their residence, 27, Owen-st., Wellington, to Mr. and Mrs. Peter Mackie; a daughter.

STOKES.—On February 9, at their residence, 85, Hobson-st., to Mr. and Mrs. John Stokes, a son; both well.

MARRIAGES.

ALEXANDER — MURDOCH.—On 14th January, 1908, at the Presbyterian Church, Devonport, by the Rev. R. H. (Catherwood) William Edward, only son of the late Edward Alexander, of Calloped-rd., Devonport, to Daisy Margaret, eldest daughter of Charles Primrose Murdoch, Garden-terrace, Devonport.

LUGER—BENNETT.—On January 8th, 1908, at the Wesleyan Church, Newmarket, by the Rev. W. H. Tuck, B.A., Harold, the ninth and youngest son of Edwin Auger, Parnell, to Alice Osborne, eldest daughter of James Bennett, Half-way Inspector, Newmarket.

HARWOOD—WHITCOMBE.—On January 23, 1908, at the residence of the bride's parents, Wellington-street, by the Rev. G. Clewett, Percy, second son of the late Charles Harwood, of Tahape, to Ruth Mary, third daughter of George William Whitcombe, of Auckland.

HOLTON—WILLIAMS.—On February 12, 1908, at the Church of the Sacred Heart, Ponsonby, by the Rev. Father Williams, Bernard George, third son of the late Thomas Holton, of Teddington, England, to Sadie, youngest daughter of John Williams, of "Hawthorne," Franklin-rd., Ponsonby.

LAWSON—MEGERNEY.—On January 22nd, at the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, by the Rev. Herbert Williams, Yea, Alton, son of the late James V. A. Lawson, Thames, to Nina Elizabeth Jean, daughter of the late John A. F. Megerney, Master Mariner, Auckland.

NIXON—OTTER.—On January 15, 1908, at St. Mary's Cathedral, Parnell, by the Rev. Canon MacMurray, Alfred, youngest son of George Nixon, of Parnell, to Isaac Ethel, eldest daughter of William Walton Otter, of Newmarket, late of the Thames.

RICHMOND—LONGHURST.—On September 7th, 1904, at Sydney, Charles Albert Richmond, to Minnie Adeline Longhurst.

SHARP—PERRIN.—On January 22, 1908, at the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, Auckland, by the Rev. H. Reeve, Charles Alfred, fourth son of the late Stephen Walter Sharp, to Daisy Ethel Purdy, the second daughter of William Perry; both of Onehunga.—Home papers please copy.

DEATHS.

BARRETT.—On February 12, at his residence, 58, Wyndham-street, Thomas Stephen, the dearly-beloved eldest surviving son of the late John and Margaret Barrett; aged 28 years.—H.I.P.

BAXTER.—On 11th February, at the residence of her sister, Mrs. Couper, M. St. John-avenue, Epsom, Jessie Baxter; in her 81st year.

DOUGLAS.—At Karangahake, on February 11, Jessie, the dearly beloved wife of Andrew Douglas; aged 54 years.

ELLISON.—On February 15th, 1908, at Kingsland, Albert Norman, the dearly beloved son of Mr F. J. H. Ellison; aged 7 years 8 months.

HARRIS.—On February 13, 1908, at the district hospital, Auckland, Edward, the beloved husband of Emma Harris, and fourth son of the late R. H. Harris, of Kingsland; in his 36th year.

HEALY.—At Oeuhanga, February 14, 1908, Patrick Healy, late H.M. 25th Regiment; in his 78th year.—R.I.P.

HOLLOWAY.—On January 14, 1908, at her mother's residence, Victoria Park, Devonport, Catherine, fourth daughter of Isabella and of the late Emauael Holloway; aged 21 years.
Her end was peace.

JONES.—On February 14th, at "The Triangle," John Russell, the dearly loved eldest son of John and Marianne Jones, late of Auckland.
For ever with the Lord. No mourning.

KNEERONE.—On February 16, 1908, at Coromandel Hospital, William Henry Kneebone; aged 76.

MOULDEN.—On February 16, at Takapuna, Stephen Frederick, eldest son of the late Henry Moulden, and the dearly beloved husband of Margaret Moulden; aged 68 years.

PORTER.—On February 11th, at Buckland, Sarah, the dearly beloved wife of John Porter.

REEVES.—On December 25th, 1907, at Rotherhithe, London, Eng., Henry, the dearly beloved husband of Mary Ann Reeves, of Milford-street, Ponsonby, aged 60 years.
At rest.

RULE.—On 14th February, at his late residence, Waikumu, William, dearly-beloved husband of Elizabeth Rule; aged 55 years.

TEAGUE.—On February 12th, at Auckland, Richard Teague, second son of the late Samuel Teague, in his 56th year.

THORNTON.—On February 16, 1908, at the Auckland Hospital, Mary, the beloved wife of the late Edward Thornton; aged 63 years.—R.I.P.

WILKIN.—On February 11th, at his parents' residence, Lower Heppburn-st., Jack Hockley, the infant son of T. and E. Wilkin; aged 8 months.
Safe in the arms of Jesus.
Wellington papers please copy.

WARREN.—On January 8th, at the residence of John T. Barker, Esq., Leeds, England, Menahel, relict of the late Rev. John Warren, Wesleyan Minister, of Auckland.

WYLIE.—On February 16, 1908, at Motu-hih, suddenly, William Galbraith Wylie, chief clerk telephone exchange, dearly beloved husband of Mary Alice (Bella) Wylie; aged 46 years.

Orange Blossoms.

SHERRETT—BURKE.

An extremely pretty and fashionable wedding took place at St. Mary's Church, Waipukurau, on February 12th. The bride was Miss Ella Burke, daughter of Mrs. Gore, of Mangatarata, and late of Napier, and the bridegroom Mr. Thornley Sherrett, of Gisborne. The bridesmaids were Miss Mabel Burke (sister of the bride), who wore a pretty pale pink merv. dress and Miss Hilda Sherrett (sister of the bridegroom), who was robed in pale blue merv. The bride was given away by Dr. Caro, of Napier, and was dressed in white glaze silk with embroidered chiffon bodice, veil and orange blossoms. The bridegroom was attended by Messrs. F. Donnelly and Monkton. The Rev. F.W. Marton was the officiating clergyman. After the ceremony the guests were conveyed to the large homestead in motor cars, where a very jolly afternoon was spent.

beautiful shower bouquet of white asters and choice hothouse flowers. The bridesmaids were Miss Dona Stevenson, and two tiny girls, Miss Lorna Drower, (the bride's sister), and Miss Olive Gresham (cousin). They wore dresses of soft mauve silk, beautifully trimmed with white lace, and white chiffon picture hats, Miss Stevenson carried a charming shower bouquet of mauve and white flowers, and the little girls carried dainty baskets of mauve and white also. The bridegroom's present to the bridesmaids were gold dagger brooches set with pearls and garnets. Mr. H. Beechy acted as best man. After the ceremony the bridal party drove to the "Tiffin" tearooms, where a delicious afternoon tea was served, when there were about 50 guests present. Later Mr. and Mrs. McGown left on their honeymoon, the bride wearing a tailor-made gown of rosea cloth, and a white picture hat trimmed with marabout feathers. The presents were numerous and costly. Mrs. Drower (mother of the bride) was attired in black chiffon taffeta trimmed with white silk lace, and tucked net, and she carried a beautiful bouquet of pink and white flowers.

WRIGHT—CONDON.

A pretty wedding which created considerable interest was solemnised at St. Patrick's Church, Napier, on February 10, by the Rev. W. D. Goggan, the contracting parues being Miss Mary (May) E. Condon, eldest daughter of Mrs. K. Condon, of Napier, and Mr. Hugh Wright, of Auckland. The bride, who was given away by her uncle, Mr. John Higgins, looked charming in a becoming gown of ivory chiffon tulle, the bodice trimmed with Limerick lace, a transparent yoke and sleeves of tucked chiffon. She wore a wreath with a beautifully embossed veil, also a magnificent gold chain and pendant, set with amethysts and pearls, and carried a beautiful shower bouquet, the gifts of the bridegroom. The bridesmaids were Misses Madge, Kathleen, and Sheila Condon, sisters of the bride, and Miss Julia Higgins, cousin of the bride, who wore costumes of rich cream silk tulle, trimmed with chiffon taffeta and tassels, with charming picture hats of white tulle.

O'HAGAN — MOORE.

An extremely pretty wedding was solemnised at St. Joseph's Church, New Plymouth, on February 12th, when Mr. John H. O'Hagan (only son of Mr. J. O'Hagan, of Hokitika), was married to Miss Josephine Agnes Moore, youngest daughter of the late Martin Moore, of New Plymouth. The Rev. Dean McKenna officiated. The bride was charmingly attired in a dress of glaze silk with handsomely trimmed yoke of all-over lace, silk and motif insertion, and finished with be-be ribbon and French knots. The skirt was full with tiny tucks and silk insertion. The elbow sleeves were of unique design. She wore the orthodox veil and orange blossoms, and carried a lovely shower bouquet. The bridesmaids were Miss Moore, sister of the bride, and little May Moore, niece of the bride. The former wore a very striking frock of cream voile, pale blue merveilleux kimono bodice, full lace vest and sleeves, skirt trimmed with bands of pale blue merveilleux and medallions, finished with pale blue sash; hat of white crinoline straw trimmed with lilac, big blush rose in front and green bows, and carried a blue and white bouquet. Little May Moore wore a dainty cream voile dress, cardinal hat with chiffon rosettes, cardinal belt. She carried a basket of red and white flowers. The bride was given away by her brother, Mr. Frank Moore, and Mr. Hansbury acted as best man. Mr. W. Perry presided at the organ and played the wedding march. Mr. and Mrs. O'Hagan left by the boat for Auckland and Rotorua. The bride's travelling dress was a cream serge coat and skirt faced with gold and white, hat of pink crinoline straw, pink velvet ribbon bows caught with brilliant buckle, large ostrich feather shaded from vieux rose to pale pink. The bride and bridegroom were the recipients of a large number of handsome and costly presents.

COOK—NAYSMITH.

A local wedding of great interest to a large circle of relatives and friends took place at Darzville last week, when Mr. Charles Albert Cook was married to Miss Ella Camelia Naysmith at the residence of the bride's parents.

The Rev. Mr. Wausbone conducted the ceremony in the presence of a large gathering, the bride being given away by her father. Mr. W. Cook acted as best man, and the bridesmaids were Misses Mary and Janet Naysmith. The bride looked very well in a pretty cream silk voile dress, trimmed with cream silk lace, and in addition to the ordinary orange blossom she wore a head-dress of myrtle blossom specially sent from S. Australia. The very effective dresses worn by the bridesmaids were of blue nun's veiling with cream trimmings.

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MACGOWN—DROWER.

A pretty choral wedding was solemnised last Wednesday, at the Holy Sepulchre Church, when Miss Marianne Drower, daughter of Mr. George Buckland Drower, of "Coryton," Mount Eden, Auckland, was married to Mr. Max D. Macgown, of Carterton, Wairarapa. The Rev. McFarland officiated. The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a crepe de anie, over chiffon taffeta, a present from the bride's aunt in England, an exquisite dress in which the bride looked lovely. She wore a tulle veil, richly embroidered in silk and carried a