

WANGANUI

Dear Bee, February 28.

Last Saturday Mrs. Krull gave

A KITCHEN TEA

for Miss Christie, who is to be married on the 2nd of March. Each guest brought a gift for the kitchen, and all manner of fascinating articles were collected together. Mrs. Krull received her guests in a black silk muslin gown, with vest of cream net and lace. Amongst those present were Meedames Saunders, Inlay Saunders, Moore, P. Krull, Pharazyn, Barnicoat, Wall, Fairburn, Goode, Gifford-Marshall, Goodwin, A. Lewis, Izett, Misses Moore, Reichart, Jones, Stewart, S. Greig (Auckland), Richmond, Knapp, Barnicoat, Hadfield, Brewer, Fraser, and others.

Afternoon tea was given

AT THE CROQUET COURTS

by Mrs. A. Izard and the Misses Stanford. Amongst those present were Mr. and Mrs. Izard, Mr. Gordon, Mrs. Stone, Mr. and Mrs. Levin, Mrs. Greenwood, Miss O'Brien, Mrs. and Miss W. Anderson, Miss Hawken, Miss Reichart, Miss Knapp, Mr. and Mrs. H. Bayley, Misses Stanford (2), Miss Browne, and others.

The long-talked-of event,

THE SCULLING CHAMPIONSHIP

of the world, between Webb and Tressider, is now a thing of the past. Tuesday was very wet, which was most unfortunate after such a spell of dry weather. From early morning crowds wended their way up to the scene of the race by steamer, oil launch, canoes, vehicles of every description, motors and bicycles, many even walking the seven or eight miles from town, in spite of rain and mud. Amongst the vast crowd of interested spectators were Dr. and Mrs. Wall, Miss Barnicoat, Mr. J. T. Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. Cave, Mrs. Sarjeant, Miss S. Greig (Auckland), Mr. and Mrs. P. Forlong, Mr. R. Jackson, Mr. Hole, Mr. and Mrs. H. Bayley, Miss Bell (Palmerston-North), Mr. Giesen (Feilding), Mr. E. Jackson (Wellington), Mr. Hardwick, Mr. Butterworth, Mr. and Mrs. Lundius, Mr. and Mrs. Meldrum, Mr. Milne, Mr. Hogg, Mr. and Mrs. Allison, Mr. Watt, Mr. Stevenson, Miss Knapp, Mr. Wray, Mr. and Mrs. Fairburn, Miss Darley, Mr. Bell (Palmerston North), Mr. H. Wilson, Mr. A. Lewis.

On Wednesday Mrs. and Miss Moore gave an enjoyable

FAREWELL TEA FOR MISS CHRISTIE

Amongst those present were Miss Christie, Miss D. Christie, Mrs. and Miss Barnicoat, Mrs. A. Izard, Mrs. H. Montgomerie, Miss Cameron, Mrs. Palmer, Miss Inlay, Mrs. Pharazyn, Mrs. O. Lewis, Mrs. Good, Mrs. McGrath, Mrs. Sarjeant, Mrs. Krull, Mrs. Hawke, Mrs. Hole, Mrs. Lomas, Miss Mason, Miss Greig (Auckland), Mrs. A. Lewis, Mrs. McNaughton-Christie, Mrs. and Miss Empson, Misses Stanford (2), McNeill.

SOME PURELY PERSONAL ITEMS.

Mrs. Dodgshun, of Wanganui, is the guest of Mrs. A. Blundell, in Nelson. Miss Wilford has gone to Auckland to be present at Miss Zoe George's wedding. Mrs. Brettburgh has returned from her visit to the South Island. Miss Bell, of Palmerston North, is the guest of Mrs. H. Bayley (St. John's Hill). Miss S. Greig, of Auckland, is the guest of Mrs. H. Sarjeant, in Wanganui. Mr. E. Jones has returned from his holiday in Auckland. Mrs. J. Bull, of Feilding, has been staying in Wanganui. Mrs. Babbage has returned to New Zealand after a year's visit to England and the Continent. Mr. W. B. Giesen, of Feilding, was in Wanganui this week. Mrs. Bond, of the Wairarapa, who has been staying in Wanganui for some months with Mrs. J. T. Stewart (her mother), left this week for Wellington, where she is joined by her husband, the

Rev. W. Bond. They intend leaving that port at the end of this month for a visit to England and the Continent. Miss Barnicoat, of Wanganui, left this week for Auckland, where she will be present at Miss Z. George's wedding. HULA.

PALMERSTON NORTH.

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A TEAM OF TENNIS PLAYERS

from the Tsonui Club visited Palmerston on Saturday, and played a match with a local team. Although Palmerston eventually won, the visitors took a lot of beating. The two best Tsonui men beat their opponents and, and the three best ladies also won their matches. A very abundant afternoon tea was provided by the ladies of the Palmerston Club, the Misses Gemmel acting as hostesses. Amongst others present were: Mrs. Gemmel, wearing a blue and white floral muslin Nilette, black hat with black feather; Miss Gemmel, white embroidered muslin, black silk belt, large black hat with pink and crimson roses; Miss L. Gemmel, white linen, sailor hat; Mrs. Smith, cream coat and skirt, cream hat with black and yellow flowers; Miss Smith, white muslin and lace, heliotrope hat; Mrs. Wheeler (Stanway), black and white check muslin, cream hat with roses; Mrs. Anderson, black and heliotrope floral muslin, white hat; Mrs. Milton, black canvas coat and skirt, black hat; Mrs. McKnight, strawberry check linen, cream lace insertion trimming bodice, black hat with black feathers; Mrs. Thompson, white linen, cream hat with navy silk scarf; Miss Pickett, white linen, blue belt, cream hat with roses; Miss Wilson, pink muslin, white hat with pink scarf; Mrs. Bendall, blue linen, white embroidery trimming bodice, white linen hat; Miss Waldegrave, white embroidered linen, cream hat with black glaze ribbon and scarlet flowers; Miss Porter, white linen, with Teneriffe insertion, cream hat with navy silk scarf; Miss M. Hayward, white linen, hat with cream and brown ribbon bows; Miss Fitzherbert, heliotrope print, cream hat with cream and heliotrope bows; the Misses Bailey (7), Wylds (2), Penny, Reed, Bell, Collins, Mrs. Wyld, Mrs. Cameron, Miss Armstrong, Miss Ida Hayward, and several others.

* Mrs. J. P. Innes entertained a party of ladies at the Manawatu Tea Rooms on Monday afternoon, on the occasion of a small

PRESENTATION TO MRS. MILLTON

previous to her departure on a two years' trip to England. The gift, a pretty pearl and gold necklace, was presented by Mrs. Mellsoop on behalf of the ladies present. As is usual at such times, there was an exchange of compliments, nice things being said of all connected with the little gathering. Mrs. Innes wore a cream Etou costume, dainty vest of lace finished with tiny turquoise, blue velvet bows, large black hat with black feather; Mrs. Milton, a rich black taffeta silk toilette, black hat with silk and black wings; Mrs. C. E. Waldegrave, grey and white striped muslin, vest of white lace, cream Leghorn hat with black tips; Mrs. Mellsoop, grey striped Etou coat and skirt, white facings and cuffs braided in black, black hat with black feathers; Mrs. Gemmel, black silk, vest of white lace cream silk scarf, black plumed hat; Mrs. Randolph, black cloth made with long coat, white satin collar braided in black, vest of lace, and narrow kiltings of pale blue silk, black hat with feathers; Miss Randolph, golden brown silk cream net and lace blouse with kimono straps of brown silk, cream hat with brown tulle and brown feather; Mrs. McKnight, white embroidered muslin, pink belt, large black hat with black feather; Mrs. Warburton, cream muslin with a pink floral design, a dark shade of green silk trimming the bodice, green hat; Mrs. Louison, grey and white striped muslin, black hat with black feather; Mrs. Tripe in cream, with long embroidered cream dust coat, black hat with black glaze bows; Mrs. Porter, cream with a narrow black stripe flannel coat and skirt, brown hat with cream roses; Miss Porter, white embroidered muslin, burnt straw hat with pink and crimson roses.

OFF TO THE OLD COUNTRY.

* Mrs. Milton leaves Palmerston on Friday to join the Corinthian, sailing from Wellington on Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Waldegrave, Miss Margaret Waldegrave, of Palmerston, and Mr. and Mrs.

Elkington and children, of Hastings, are of the same party. The Waldegraves only expect to be away six or nine months, but the others will remain at Home for two years, or perhaps longer.

A POLO TEAM

from Parewanui (Lower Rangitikei) visited Palmerston on last Saturday, and played a match. Unfortunately, several of the visitors' ponies became lame, and they had to use ponies out of condition, which did away with any chance of their winning. Messrs Levin, Giesen, G. Moore, and W. Strang represented Palmerston. The lady friends of the local club dispensed afternoon tea.

The long-talked-of visit of

MADAME CLARA BUTT

and her concert company in ancient history now. She arrived in Palmerston by the mid-day express on Monday, and was welcomed by Mr. Cohen and others. During the afternoon she drove round to see anything of interest there was to see. A very large audience greeted her at the Opera House in the evening, and needless to say, each and all were enraptured with her singing. Those present included Mr. and Mrs. J. Strang, Mr. and Mrs. W. Strang, Miss Black, Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Abraham and the Misses Abraham, Miss Higginson (Wellington), Mr. and Mrs. Hankins, Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Watson, Miss W. Watson, Mr. and Mrs. Loughnan, Mrs. J. P. Innes, Mrs. Milton, Mrs. Bendall, Miss F. Waldegrave, Mrs. and Miss Porter Mr. and Mrs. D. Reed, Mrs. and Miss Barrard, Mr. A. Barrard, Mr. and Mrs. Park, the Misses Park, Mr. and Mrs. Park (Levin), Dr. and Mrs. Wilson, Dr. and Mrs. O'Brien, Miss O'Brien, Mr. and Mrs. Mellsoop, Mrs. Louison, the Misses Fraser, and girls from Craven College and very many others.

PERSONAL NOTES.

Mrs. Renell and Miss Bell are up in Wanganui staying with Mrs. H. Bayley, St. John's Hill. Miss F. Randolph has returned from her visit South. Mrs. H. Waldegrave and her little daughters are home again, after spending several weeks in Christchurch. Mr. and Mrs. Dan Ridford, Marton, were visitors to Palmerston during the week.

VIOLET.

WELLINGTON.

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This week has been a busy round of farewell entertainments, and every day fortunate people are leaving for England.

MRS. MEDLEY'S TEA

on Tuesday was in honour of Mrs. W. Pharazyn, who has just left on her return voyage to the Old Country. Bows of tiger lilies were used with very good decorative effect, and the table was charmingly done with dahlias in yellow tones. Mrs. Medley wore black chiffon taffetas, with a vest and ruffles of delicate old lace; Miss Medley, pale blue cloth, with a dainty blouse of ivory silk and lace; Mrs. W. Pharazyn, black and white checked silk, with an overdress of black mousseline de soie, black toque, with ostrich tips; Mrs. Stowe, dark-toned chiffon glaze, lace vest and ruffles; Miss Stowe, navy and white striped glaze, with frills of ecru lace, dark blue hat, with flowers; Mrs. Duncan, black chiffon glaze, with handsome embroideries, black and white toque; Mrs. Young, wine-coloured tailor-made, black hat, with feathers; Miss Tolhurst, pastel chiffon taffetas, hat with ostrich tips; Mrs. Brandon, black and white striped glaze, lace vest, and black toque; Miss Brandon, pastel cloth Etou costume; Mrs. Foll, black chiffon taffetas, black hat, with feathers; Mrs. Sproff, black tailor-made, black and white hat; Miss Holmes, chiffon glaze, with lace yoke, toque with roses.

On Wednesday Mrs. R. V. O'Connor invited a number of guests to

AN AFTERNOON TEA

in honour of her sister (Mrs. Cameron), who is just returning to England with her husband and daughter. Flowers are always a great feature of Mrs. O'Connor's entertainments, and on Wednesday the rooms looked delightful. The drawing-room mantelpiece was done

LETTERS TO LADIES.

A BEAUTY CHAT

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