

Society Gossip.

AUCKLAND.

Dear Bee,

July 13.

Already stallholders at the forthcoming bazaar in aid of the

CRICKET FUNDS

are busily preparing for the fray, though the bazaar does not eventuate until September. Last Friday Mrs Louis Myers, The Mount, Symonds-street, gave a

PINCUSHION TEA

as a preparatory fund-raiser for the Work Stall. All the guests were asked to bring pincushions, and prizes (carried off by Miss Kent and Miss Miles) were given for the prettiest and the most original.

Mrs Louis Myers was handsomely gowned in black satin-striped ninon de soie over ivory lace, wide black ceinture and deep yoke of applied lace and net; Mrs Coleman wore a pretty navy toilette, trimmed with navy tacked chiffon and cream lace, modish hat en suite; Mrs Arthur Myers, smart soupee cloth costume in pretty natter shade, with very pretty ecrepe de chine and lace blouse, picture hat to match; Mrs Leo Myers wore an exquisitely fitting black toilette with deep point d'esprit yoke, lightened with touches of pale blue; Miss Ruby Coleman, dainty reseda green cloth, finished with velvet of same shade and lace yoke, felt hat to match; Mrs T. C. Williams, handsome black silk toilette, and mantle with very pretty little brown tulle bonnet; Mrs O'Rourke, mole-coloured souple cloth with picture hat to match; Miss Coleman was gowned in black and white, and wore a black and white hat; Mrs Charlie Nathan, pretty pale grey face cloth and most lovely white fox fur, wine-coloured hat; Mrs Foster, pansy cloth Eton costume, and smart little toque to match; Mrs Tewsley, becoming green chiffon taffeta gown, and chic little cameo pink toque; Mrs Roberts, black toilette, and black and white hat; Mrs Haines wore a cinnamon brown-braided cloth costume, and brown toque to match; Mrs Houghton's mole-coloured cloth gown had a dainty net and lace vest outlined with cerise velvet, smart plumed hat to match; Mrs Salmon (South Africa), beautifully fitting invisible check tweed coat and skirt and pretty little toque; Miss Walker, effective periwinkle blue cloth, black plumed hat; Miss Gwen Nathan, charming white cloth gown, violet hat wreathed with shaded roses; Miss Isaacs, black and white pin spot mouseline over white lace, with pale blue ceinture, picture hat; Miss Keating, green cloth tailor-made, green felt hat, trimmed with darker ribbon and wings; Miss Peacocke, pale grey taffeta, and small pale blue hat; Miss Salmon, red cloth gown and small brown hat; Miss Tewsley, becoming natter blue cloth, pretty hat, crowned with coque feathers, and white feather boa; Miss Sybil Greig, dainty white cloth Eton costume, brown hat, trimmed with shaded nasturtium rosettes; Miss Benjamin, brown cloth tailor-made gown, and small brown hat; Miss Mary Geldes was wearing white, with a picturesque violet plumed hat; Miss Ida Thompson, pretty heliotrope face cloth, small hat to match, with shaded ostrich feathers; Miss Beryl Keating, brown corduroy velvet costume and white hat; Miss Moss Davis, smart periwinkle blue tailor-made gown, picture hat to match; Miss Devore, crimson cloth Eton costume, and white hat; Miss Bay Tole, grey and black-striped tweed tailor-made costume, and pretty wine-coloured hat. Others present were: Misses Towle, Nelson, Moss Davis, Kent, Nathan, Miles, Luck, Corrie, Browning, Mills, Cooper, Buckland, Douglas-Zyman, etc.

"THE SCHOOL FOR SCANDAL"

An excellent reading was the general verdict of the large audience which attended the entertainment in connection with the winter course at the Leys Institute on Friday evening by the Pousonby Shakespeare and Rhetoric Club. The play chosen was Sheridan's sparkling comedy, "The School for Scandal." From the commencement, the reading was followed with the greatest interest, and the frequent applause and laughter testified that the points were appreciated. The cast was as follows:—Sir Peter Teazle, Mr H. Hemus; Sir Oliver Surface, Mr G. Bullen; Sir Benjamin Backbite, Mr J. Irwin; Joseph Surface, Mr S. Walker; Charles Surface, Mr A. Coutts; Careless, Mr A. Alison; Crabtree, Mr E. T. Hart; Rowley, Mr G. H. Plummer; Snake, Mr T. U. Wells; Moses, Mr E. T. Hart; Trip, Mr E. D. Good; Lady Teazle, Miss Eileen London; Lady Sneerwell, Miss Margaret Sloane; Mrs Candour, Miss Alice Gillett; Maria, Miss Bertha Jackson. Miss London wore a pink liberty satin, with ecru lace frilled berthe; Miss Sloane was in white tacked silk, with heliotrope chine sash, and pansies in coiffure; Miss Gillett wore blue mouseline de soie and white lace frills on corsage; Miss Jackson was in white ninon.

Mrs Squirrel gave

A RECEPTION

at "Sans Souci," Mount Eden, in honour of the marriage of her daughter, Miss H. V. Squirrel, to Mr A. H. Pascoe. The weather was most atrocious, but in spite of such a dreary day a most pleasant and enjoyable afternoon was spent, between 60 and 70 guests being present. Mrs Squirrel was dressed in an effective gown of black silk chiffon, trimmed with cream lace; Miss Squirrel, pretty pink silk dress and violets; Mrs. Geo. Gribbin, black silk dress, green and violet hat; Mrs. F. Gribbin, black silk dress and blue hat; Mrs. Henriksen, black lace dress, pretty green hat; Mrs. Clarke, black silk dress, Norfolk blue hat; Mrs. Howden, violet costume, green and violet hat; Mrs. Morpeth, brown costume, hat to match; Mrs. Gilbert, navy costume, wine-coloured hat; Mrs. Jennings, black and white dress, hat to match; Mrs. Nelson, black and pale blue dress, blue hat; Mrs. Martin, very stylish grey velvet costume, grey hat; Mrs. Houghton, green costume, black and green hat; Mrs. Goldwater, navy dress, green and heliotrope hat; Mrs. W. Harvey, navy costume, green hat; Mrs. W. Eady, navy costume, hat to match; Mrs. H. Taylor, navy costume, blue hat; Mrs. Brooke-Smith, black silk dress, black hat with black feathers; Mrs. Jagger-Smith, cream serge costume, cream hat with roses; Mrs. Aby, navy costume, green hat; Mrs. Kemp, stylish green costume, green hat with ostrich plume; Mrs. W. Macklow, navy costume, stylish black velvet hat; Mrs. E. W. Alison, navy costume, black and gold hat with ostrich feathers; Mrs. J. Fotheringham, green and brown dress, green hat; Mrs. Warin, stylish blue costume, blue hat; Mrs. Wainhouse, grey costume, black silk jacket, grey and black bonnet; Mrs. F. Crespin, stylish cream dress, long fawn coat, cream and brown hat; Mrs. Henderson, black and white costume, black hat; Mrs. Tucker, cream costume, brown hat; Mrs. Court, brown silk dress, brown and pink hat; Mrs. A. Hillyer, cream and black dress, black hat; Mrs. W. Neumigen, navy silk costume, hat to match; Mrs. Dawson, green costume, green and heliotrope hat; Mrs. Ernus Young, green costume, green hat; Mrs. J. D. Jones, stylish blue costume, blue hat; Mrs. Norbury, navy blue costume, hat to match; Mrs. Carter, black lace dress, black hat; Mrs. Edmiston, black costume, black and white hat; Mrs. Keating, cream costume, cream hat; Mrs. Pascoe, black silk dress, black bonnet; Mrs. Watson, green silk dress, hat to match; Mrs. McDonald, navy blue costume, hat to match; Mrs. J. Park, navy blue costume, blue and green hat; Mrs. F. Leonard, fawn costume, hat to match; Miss Ada Gillett, stylish green costume, green hat; Miss A. Edmiston,

black costume, green hat; Miss Gribbin, wine-coloured costume, hat to match; Miss D. Gittos, green and brown costume, pink hat; Miss M. Gribben, stylish cream cloth costume, pretty blue hat; Miss Ida Houghton, blue costume, wine-coloured hat; Miss E. Houghton, brown costume, cream hat; Miss Althea Gribben, pretty blue costume, charming cream hat; Miss Violet Goldwater, brown and black striped velvet, stylish brown and green hat; Miss Pearl Goldwater, very stylish green costume, green hat; Miss B. Woollams, stylish green costume, green hat; Miss Buchanan, brown dress, cream hat; Miss L. Walker, navy costume, hat to match; Miss Ivy Alison, stylish navy costume, green hat; Miss Baker, cream serge costume, cream hat; Miss Haslett, stylish blue silk dress, wine-coloured hat; Miss N. Dawson, navy costume, brown and blue hat; Miss A. Dawson, stylish grey costume, green hat with crimson roses; Miss Crispe, green costume, wine-coloured hat; Miss Henderson, green costume, green hat with pink roses; Miss Ivy Squirrel, dainty white muslin dress.

PERSONAL NOTES.

Mrs C. W. Adams, Lower Hutt, Wellington, is paying a visit to her daughter, Mrs J. Spicer, Selwyn Lodge, Selwyn-terrace, Parnell, Auckland.

Mr C. F. R. Adams, T.C.S., has been promoted to be collector and magistrate at Bijnor, U.P. India, after being at Meerut as joint magistrate for some years.

Mrs Thornton (Cambridge) and her sister, Miss Blanche Worsp, are on a visit to Auckland at present, and are staying at "Glenalvon."

PHYLLIS BROWN.

WAITEKAURI.

Dear Bee,

July 8.

The annual ball given by the friendly societies proved a great success. The walls of the hall were profusely decorated with nikan palms, relieved here and there with paper butterflies of the Oddfellows' and Foresters' colours. The supper table was laden with every dainty and decorated with red and green. Messrs B. Corbett and C. Farrelly were very energetic in their duties as hosts. Excellent music was supplied by Mrs Clark and Company Waikato, and extras were played by Miss N. Whitaker and Mr H. Markwick. Amongst the dresses I noticed were:—Mrs Whitaker, black silk, relieved with rich black lace; Mrs Waite, black silk, trimmed with guipure lace; Mrs Hutchinson, blue dress; Miss N. Whitaker looked exceedingly well in a pale pink silk frock, with pale green sash, and pale green ribbon threaded through her most becomingly dressed coiffure; Miss Pills (Auckland) also looked well in pale pink silk, with beautiful net overures, tangerine roses in hair; Mrs Kerr, cream dress, with red sash; Miss Pollock, cream dress; Miss K. Corbett, pale blue print frock; Miss Pike (Sydney) was strikingly gowned in pink variegated muslin; Mrs Tanner, cream blouse, black skirt; Mrs Hollis, black silk dress, with touches of red; Miss Taylor, cream dress; Miss Paton (Howick), white; Mrs Christie, black cashmere dress; Miss R. Christie, cream blouse, grey skirt; Mrs Griffiths, grey costume; Mrs E. Johnstone (Thames), white dress, with pale blue sash; Miss M. Gordon looked sweet in a cream stuff frock, with pale blue stripes, pale blue ribbon on hair; Mrs Campbell, grey dress; Miss Childerhouse (Thames), pretty pale blue dress, red rose in hair; Miss Markwick (Waikato), pale blue dress, forget-me-nots in hair.

AROHIA.

GISBORNE.

Dear Bee,

July 10.

ONE OF THE MOST SUCCESSFUL PRIVATE DANCES

ever held in Gisborne took place last night (Thursday) at Mrs. F. B. Barker's residence, "Te Hapara." Everything that could possibly add to the en-

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