

Miss Heaketh was gowned in white and pink, and her sister was prettily frocked in pale blue silk; Miss Myra Reed, dainty white gown; the Misses Dawson wore pretty white and pink gowns respectively; Miss Pearl Corrie wore white taffeta with touches of pale blue; Miss Walker; Miss Hill, white taffeta, toned with silver; Miss Gwen Hill wore a graceful heliotrope mousseline de soie hemmed with taffeta, clusters of deeper roses on corsage; Miss Ulie Culpant, dainty white frock; Misses Kitty and Mavis Clark were gowned in pink and blue chiffon taffetas gowns; Miss Cooke, white peau de soie; Miss Sybil Payton wore a picturesque gown of sea green satin charmeuse with lace berthe; Miss Butters, dainty white-embroidered mousseline, brightened with cluster of red roses on corsage; Miss Shaad (Dundas) was gowned in ivory crepe de chene; Miss Mahon was becomingly gowned in white, corsage spray of roses.

KIA TERE HOCKEY CLUB'S DANCE.

A most successful and enjoyable dance was given by the Kia Tere Hockey Club last Friday evening in the M.L. Albert Parish Hall. There was a large attendance. The hall was artistically decorated with arm lilies and greenery, intermingled with hockey sticks, with the club's colours intertwined. A sumptuous supper was laid in an ante-room, consisting of trifles, jellies, fruits, cakes, etc. The table decorations were very unique, the flowers being of the club colours, skilfully blended. Mrs. Watson, black silk, relieved with white lace; Miss Ballard was much admired in a sea green silk Empire frock, with lace on corsage; Miss Kerr-Taylor looked well in an elaborate costume of cerise pink silk, with gauze finishings, pink chou in hair; her sister, Miss Muriel, looked pretty in mauve silk, trimmed with velvet of a darker hue and ecru face insertion; Miss Cairns, a handsome black silk, with cream lace; Miss M. Cairns, exquisite Empire robe of blue silk, trimmed with silver cord and tassels; her sister wore a striking red silk frock, relieved with black, made in Empire style; Miss Hunt looked well in green silk; Miss Garret, white silk; Miss Eyre looked charming in white silk; her sister was also admired in white; Miss Robertson, white taffeta, relieved with lace; her sisters wore white frocks, with mauve bows; Miss Hogwood looked winsome in white silk, with cream lace, pink roses in coiffure; Miss M. Hogwood, white silk; Miss Secombe, white silk, blue evening coat; Miss Coles looked distingue in coral pink Bengaliae; Miss F. Coles, white muslin, relieved with red bows; Miss Brookes, pretty ecru lace frock; Miss I. Brookes, white silk, with blue bows; Miss Kingsford wore a dainty frock of pink silk; Miss Philipps, black, relieved with white; Miss C. Philipps wore an elaborate costume of white voile and lace; Miss Gittos wore white silk; Mrs. May, brown silk; Miss May, white; Mrs. Fowlds, grey striped silk; Miss Fowlds, pale pink silk; Miss Campbell, white taffeta, relieved with lace; Miss Whitaker, pale pink; Miss Page, white silk; Miss Parry, dainty white silk; and her sister wore a flowered muslin gown; Miss Waymouth, white silk; Miss Walters, much admired in blue silk, with tuckings, ruchings of cream lace; Miss Miller; Miss Stevenson, white voile; Miss Farrell, white silk; Miss Fogarty, heliotrope silk, trimmed with violet velvet; her friend, pretty green flowered muslin; Miss Spragg, pretty frock of blue silk, trimmed with cream lace.

The Royal Albert Hall was taxed to its utmost capacity on Friday evening last, when one of the most popular annual dances of the year eventuated, viz., Mrs. Sowerby's

FANCY DRESS BALL.

The floor was in perfect order, and Burke's band supplied the music—in fact, Mrs. Sowerby had forgotten nothing which might add even in the smallest degree to the enjoyment of her pupils and their friends. There were some charmingly represented "fancy costumes" present, mingled with the usual number of evening toilettes. Mrs. Sowerby was gowned in a handsome opal shaded glace silk, veiled in black and silver embroidered net; Mrs. Howard, black silk and lace, and lace toilette; Miss Flossie Howard, ivory shirred silk, the bodice softened with chiffon; Miss Houghton, Gipsy Queen; Miss K. Howard, Spanish Dancer; Miss G. Howard, Tambourine Girl; Mrs. Hegman, white silk evening toilette; Miss M. Gardner, Queen of

Hearts; Miss H. Dormer, Punch; Miss Noakes, Powder and Patches; Miss G. Edwards, evening toilette; Miss W. Lewis, pink silk; Miss F. Penzholz, Starlight; Miss Elinor Norton, blue silk, trimmed with cream lace; Miss K. Vialoux, evening gown; and her sister, Miss L. Vialoux, also wore a dainty evening toilette; Miss Alice Cousins, white muslin; Miss Olga Hegman, Gretchen von Vetchen; Miss Eleanor Iemonger, Italian peasant; Miss Bartley, "A Girl from Narragansett"; Miss Annie Deery, cream silk toned with old gold; Miss Leonard, evening dress; Miss Peck, pale blue muslin trimmed with insertion and lace; Miss Ivy Olesen, "Snowdrop"; Miss Gertrude Porter, "Autumn"; Miss Ina Norton, Polly; Miss Hazel Hopkins, "Oriental Lady"; Miss Clare Norton, Italian Girl; Miss Rita Easdown, Polly; Miss Winifred Hopkins, "Ye Englahe Maide, olde Style"; Miss L. Penzholz, "N.Z. Observer"; Miss Yates, black chiffon velours, Empire gown, with V-shaped vest, and sleeves of white Valenciennes lace; Miss Backworth, ballet dancer, heliotrope and green; Miss Webster, Ballet Dancer; Miss Vivie Burton, "Gretchen"; Miss Ivy Reynolds, white Persian lawn, delicately embroidered; Miss Mai Deery, champagne silk; Mrs. Williams, grey silk dress, trimmed with Irish lace; Miss Brookes, green mousseline de soie, relieved with gold; Miss Patulli, evening toilette; Mr. H. Logan, A Gentleman of gown; Miss Nisbet, white and yellow the 20th Century; Mr. G. B. Blackett, Cricketer; Mr. A. W. Beale, Cricketer; Mr. H. Scotland, Claude Melnot.

SPRING FAIR.

A spring fair, in aid of the Mission of the Good Shepherd and the Grey-street croche, was opened in the Choral Hall last Thursday afternoon by Mrs. T. C. Williams. The fair, which was promoted by the ladies of Auckland, was a most unqualified success, and the Hall really presented a very charming appearance, artistically decorated stalls, and effectively gowned helpers coming in for much favourable comment. Mrs. Hugh Campbell and Miss Henderson were most efficient secretaries, and Mr. Crowther acted as treasurer. The following were the stall-holders:—Refreshment stall, Mesdames J. L. R. Bloomfield, E. W. G. Rathbone, and A. Munro; plain, cushion and fancy stall, (City East and West), Mesdames Nelson and Myers, sen.; plain stall (Devonport), Mesdames G. Hunt and Mounier; variety stall (Mount Eden), Mesdames McFarlane and Stone; kitchen stall (Ponsonby), Mesdames Culpant, McLachlan and Calder; flower stall, Mesdames Segar and Houghton; Xmas tree, Misses Towle and F. Henderson; doll stall, Mrs. Faulder; sweet stall, Mrs. Butler. The bazaar was open for three days, and the financial results afforded great gratification to the promoters.

PERSONALS.

Miss Ada Lockie, who has been on a six weeks' visit to Auckland, returned to Wellington last week.
Mrs. A. C. H. Collins, who has been on a visit to her mother, Mrs. A. E. Devore, Parnell, Auckland, left last week for her home in New Plymouth.
Mr and Mrs Alfred Shalders and their daughter arrived in Auckland on Sunday, after a pleasant visit to Europe.

PHYLLIS BROWN.

GISBORNE.

Dear Bee, September 17.
Glorious weather prevailed for the golf tournaments and competitions, held respectively on Friday and Saturday. In the former tournament on the Friday, played for a trophy presented by the captain of the Ladies' Club (Mrs Morgan), Mrs O'Meara, for the A division, won the prize, Miss L. Tucker winning the B division prize. In the competitions on Saturday, Miss de Latour won the driving competition, Miss Adams and Mrs Barlow being equal for second place. Mrs Ulick Burke was the successful competitor for the approaching competition, while Miss Adams came first in the putting. Messrs L. Brown and F. Tail acted as judges throughout.
The men's fifth and last medal handicap competition was won by Mr C. A. J. Fenwick, Mr G. Wilcock coming second on the list. During the afternoon Mrs Morgan, captain of the Ladies' Club, presented Miss Adams, who is shortly leav-

ing Gisborne, with a handsome rose bowl, as a small token of appreciation of Miss Adams' long service as secretary, and in a neat speech expressed the good wishes of the golf members for Miss Adams' future welfare.
On Friday evening last Miss E. Gray gave a small dance at her father's residence at Waiohika, when a most enjoyable evening was spent, the guests numbering about thirty.
On Tuesday last a very enjoyable evening for juveniles was given by Mrs W. L. Rees, "Bungalow," in honour of her granddaughters, Misses P. and J. (Napier), who are at present staying with her. The entertainment took the form of a book title evening, Miss P. Lusk gaining first prize for the greatest number of successful guesses.

PERSONAL.

On Saturday last Mr Hine (Gisborne) left for a short visit to Auckland.
Amongst the passengers on Sunday for Napier were Mr Dewing, Colonel Porter, Miss Robinson, and Mrs Stephenson.
Mrs Stephenson is spending a few days with Miss Seale, Napier.
Mr and Mrs Walter Barker, the Misses Barker (2), and Messrs Barker (3) left Gisborne on Sunday last by the Monowai for Sydney, where they intend staying for a month.
Mrs A. F. Kennedy returned from Auckland on Sunday last.
Mr Anderson (Gisborne) left for Napier on Wednesday last, Mr A. F. Kennedy also visiting Napier.
Mr and Mrs F. T. Morgan left on Wednesday for a two months' holiday in Dunedin and the Southern Lakes.
The Misses Barker (2) left for the South last Wednesday.

ELSA.

NEW PLYMOUTH.

Dear Bee, September 18.
Last Friday afternoon Mrs H. Leatham gave a most

ENJOYABLE AFTERNOON TEA.

at her pretty residence, "Chirn Dun," in honour of Mrs W. Leatham, who is on a visit here. During the afternoon musical items were given by Miss Leatham and Miss Constance Leatham, and their renderings were performed in a most finished manner. Mrs Leatham received her guests in a violet cloth costume, with Grecian key pattern of violet velvet braiding on hem of skirt and bodice; Miss Leatham, cream silk striped voile, with folded satin belt; Miss Constance Leatham, white silk; Mrs W. Leatham, pretty brown costume, cream silk vest, hat with shaded roses; Mrs Wylie, dove grey costume, white felt toque with black feathers; Mrs Laing, biscuit-coloured Eton costume, faced cream silk braid, silk vest, toque en suite; Miss Wood, grey coat and skirt, black hat; Mrs N. King, green coat and skirt, hat to match; Mrs F. Fookes, navy costume, hat en suite; Mrs Fletcher, grey coat and skirt, black hat; Mrs Dewley, navy coat and skirt, hat relieved with pale blue; Mrs S. Shaw, green coat and skirt, faced with cream silk, black hat; Mrs Matthews, cream coat and skirt, black hat; Mrs Webster, tweed coat and skirt, violet and

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