

heliotrope bonnet; Mrs MacDiarmid, brown chiffon taffetas, hat with roses; Mrs Collins, green fluffed tweed costume, pretty green hat with green clover; Mrs W. Bayley, black; Mrs Bayley, green chiffon taffetas, hat with hydrangeas; Mrs C. Davies, black; Mrs Bedford, plum-coloured brocade, Tuscan-coloured bonnet with shaded roses; Mrs Rolle, green fluffed tweed coat and skirt, pretty pale green silk hat bound with plum-coloured silk and trimmed with plum-coloured quills; Mrs Penn, dark green tweed costume, white feathered hat; Mrs Standish, black.

Miss Flossie Evans gave a

DELIGHTFUL LITTLE DANCE

at the Parsonage last Friday evening, and in every way it was a most enjoyable entertainment, the house being so well adapted for such frivolities—spacious rooms, cosy balconies, delightful gardens, to wander about in. What could one want more? The supper was served in the dining-room, and the table looked very bright with a huge bowl of daffodils and fern, and with most recherché dishes lading it. Amongst those present were: Mrs Evans, scarlet silk, veiled in black point d'esprit, red rose in coiffure; Miss Evans looked remarkably well in black velvet, real lace berthe, with spray of cornflowers in coiffure and in corsage; Miss R. Evans was much admired in a soft fluffed white silk, lace berthe and tiny puff sleeves, pale blue silk sash; Miss Flossie Evans, dainty blue and white floral muslin, trimmed with Valenciennes lace and pale blue silk, blue chon in coiffure; Miss Mabel Evans, pretty white embroidered Indian muslin, pale blue silk sash; Miss Leatham, cream crepe de chine, décolletage relieved with pale pink rose; Miss K. Saxton, white hook muslin, pale blue silk folded belt; Miss G. Kyngdon; Miss Hanna, turquoise blue silk, prettily trimmed with cream insertion, folded silk sash; Miss S. Thomson, cream satin; Miss Fitzherbert, pale blue silk taffetas, lace chemisette and under sleeves; Miss Russell, cornflower blue silk taffetas, cream net chemisette relieved with pale pink roses, blue silk Empire sash; Miss Bedford, pale heliotrope muslin, trimmed with bands of velvet of a darker shade; Miss D. Bedford, cream silk, décolletage inset with cream lace; Miss L. Webster, pale pink silk; Miss Role, pretty pale blue and white floral silk muslin, silver sequined cream lace berthe, pale blue chiffon shoulder scarf; Mrs Penn, turquoise blue silk, shoulder straps inset with cream lace.

PERSONAL ITEMS.

Mrs Collins, who has been visiting her mother, Mrs Devore, Parnell, has returned to her home in New Plymouth.

Mrs W. Leatham has returned to Parnell, after visiting her relatives in New Plymouth.

Mrs T. Russell, who has been the guest of Mrs McHardy, New Plymouth, has returned to her home in St. Stephen's avenue.

Mrs Kilgour, Auckland, paid New Plymouth a short visit last week on her way to Wellington.

NANCY LEE.

PALMERSTON NORTH

Dear Bee, September 18.

The event of the week has been the first annual exhibition of the

MANAWATU ART SOCIETY.

The opening ceremony was performed by His Excellency the Governor last Wednesday night, in the presence of about two hundred members and friends. Apart from the splendid pictures, a collection of works of Maori art attracted a great deal of attention from visitors. The vice-regal party included Lord and Lady Plunket, Mr and Mrs Waterfall, Judge and Mrs Chapman, and Miss Cooper. Lady Plunket wore a cream satin toilette, and pale blue moire silk coat trimmed with velvet and lace; Mrs Waterfield, white silk, and pale grey coat; Mrs Chapman, black evening dress with lace trimmings; Mrs Cohen, black figured crepe de chine, the corsage finished with white chiffon embroidered with silver sequins, silver Josephine scarf; Mrs J. A. Nash, black velvet, with Maltese lace berthe, grey embroidered coat; Mrs Greene, purple silk, the bodice trimmed with cream lace and yellow velvet ribbon, cluster of yellow flowers; Mrs H. Palmer, black satin; Mrs Warburton, black silk toilette, embroidered cham-

pagne coat; Mrs C. Louison, yellow silk, with lace and sequin trimmings; Mrs W. Keiling, cream satin and lace; Mrs Bendall, pink floral muslin, with belt and kimono straps of pink floral chiffon; Mrs Bell, black moire, with trimmings of black lace insertion; Miss Bell, pink muslin and white lace; Mrs E. Hitchings (Feilding), white lace robe over white silk; Mrs Tripe, black silk; Mrs O'Brien, black silk toilette, cream spotted net bodice with black silk straps, Paisley coat; Miss O'Brien, pale pink crepe de chine; Miss Mona O'Brien, dark green velvet and cream lace; Miss Bewick, black evening dress, wreath of lilies of the valley in hair; Miss Wilson, black muslin toilette, embroidered in grey; Mrs Putnam, pale green silk, wide belt of darker shade of green silk; Mrs Martin, cream silk, blue satin coat; Mrs Park, black silk, with sequin trimmings, cluster of pale mauve flowers, scarf of same shade; Miss McLennan, in black, with cream coat with dark green velvet collar; Mrs Seifert, pink silk and lace.

Mrs. A. Rennell, Linton-street, gave

A SMALL BRIDGE PARTY

on Friday night, in honour of her guest, Mrs. Lightfoot, of Carterton. Mr. Rennell, Mrs. A. Rennell, Mrs. Lightfoot, Mr. and Mrs. Morrish, Miss Gibbons, the Misses Randolph (2), Messrs. C. Smith, Perston, and Scott were those playing. The hostess wore a dainty white lace blouse and black silk skirt; Mrs. Rennell, navy blue silk taffeta, the bodice trimmed with cream embroidered chiffon; Mrs. Lightfoot, black lace over white silk; Mrs. Morrish, black silk with cream lace yoke; Miss Gibbons, black silk with cream lace insertion finishing corsage; Miss Randolph, golden brown silk, cream spotted net and lace blouse, with brown silk straps; Miss F. Randolph, white muslin and Valenciennes lace, silver belt.

Colonel and Mrs. Gorton, of Bulls, gave

A BALL

last Wednesday night in honour of the coming out of their granddaughter, Miss Olga Levett. Miss Mary Monro, the oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Monro, of Palmerston North, also came out at the same dance, the two girls having been intimate school friends. A party from Government House which went over from Palmerston North to be present at the ball included the Hon. Kathleen Plunket, and Captains Gathorne-Hardy and Lyons. There also went from here Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Monro, Mr. and Mrs. Lionel Abraham, Mr. and Mrs. Frances Hewitt, and the Misses Somerville, M. Abraham, Hewitt, Russell, and D. Wilson.

Mrs. Eliot Warburton, Main-street, gave

A SMALL AFTERNOON TEA

on Monday for her sister, Mrs. C. E. Waldegrave, who returned last week from a trip to England. The drawing-room and tea-table were prettily decorated with violets, snowdrops, and daffodils. Mrs. Warburton received her guests in a rich black silk taffeta toilette, the lace bodice having silk straps; Miss Warburton, white silk muslin over white gloves, wide white silk belt; Mrs. C. E. Waldegrave, navy blue coat and skirt braided in black, black hat with black tips and cluster of pink roses; Miss Margaret Waldegrave, a dainty toilette of pale blue crepe de chine, white chiffon ruffle, hat with dark green wings; Miss Dorothy Waldegrave, navy blue Eton costume, white hat with white feathers; Mrs. H. R. Waldegrave, black coat and skirt, natter blue cloth waistcoat braided in black, black hat with black wings; Miss Frances Waldegrave, navy blue costume, made with short coat slightly braided in black, electric green hat with silk and bird of same shade; Mrs. Jack Waldegrave, a becoming cream cloth Eton coat and skirt, cream-lace vest, large cream hat with cream feathers; Mrs. W. L. Fitzherbert, brown tweed coat and skirt, green straw hat with pink and crimson roses; Mrs. F. S. Mellor, cream serge skirt and cream silk blouse, cream hat with violets, white feather boa; Mrs. P. Sim, green striped tweed coat and skirt, black hat with black feathers; Mrs. Randolph, black cloth costume, white satin revers embroidered in black, lace vest with touches of turquoise blue silk, black and white hat with black feathers; Mrs. J. P. Innes, green striped coat and skirt, collar and cuffs of cream striped with green, black hat with black tips

and tulle rosettes; Mrs. Mellor, brown tweed coat and skirt, brown hat with brown wings; Mrs. J. Bell, in brown, made with long coat, brown hat with brown feather; Mrs. Moeller, pale blue cloth costume, pale blue hat with flowers; Mrs. Oliver, dark green coat and skirt, bonnet with autumn leaves; Miss Oliver, green cloth coat and skirt, pale blue striped vest, pale blue hat.

The ladies' monthly stroke competition played

AT THE HOKOWHITU LINKS

last week resulted in a tie between Mrs. Innes and Mrs. Warburton for first place, the Hon. Kathleen Plunket being second, and Miss McLennan third. Of the juniors Mrs. H. Waldegrave was first, Mrs. McPherson second, Miss Warburton third.

A WEDDING

of interest to Palmerston was celebrated in Wellington on Monday afternoon, the 14th inst., when Miss Elsie Joseph, youngest daughter of Mrs. Jacob Joseph, of 21, Hobson-street, was married to Mr. Frederick J. Nathan. Mr. Nathan has been a popular resident of Palmerston for some years. Visitors from here present at the ceremony included Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Cohen, Mrs. A. E. Russell, Mrs. W. Strang.

PERSONAL NOTES.

Miss Finch (Wellington) is visiting her sister, Mrs. Putnam (Palmerston).

Miss Wilson (Palmerston) is visiting friends in the Pahiatua district.

Mrs. and Miss Oliver (Wanganui) are staying with Mrs. McPherson (Palmerston).

Miss Reid (Wellington) is visiting her sister, Mrs. W. Strang (Palmerston).

Mrs. L. Steelman (Palmerston) was returned from her visit to Wanganui.

Mrs. J. R. Tripe (Palmerston) is at present in Wellington.

The Misses Hayward (Palmerston) spent a few days in Wellington this week.

VIOLET.

WANGANUI.

Dear Bee, Sept. 21.

Last Saturday evening Mrs. John Watt gave a very enjoyable bridge party for her daughter, Mrs. Marsack, of Auckland. There were four tables, and the prizes were won by Mrs. Griffiths, Mrs. James Watt and Mr. Fairburn.

The Museum held a very

SUCCESSFUL FLOWER SHOW

for two days last week in the Museum Hall. The bulbs, anemones and many spring flowers were much admired. Amongst those present were Mr. and Mrs. Babbage, Mr. and Mrs. Sarjeant, Mrs. and Miss Stewart, Mrs. and Miss Skeet, Mrs. Earle, Mrs. and Miss Whitford, Mrs. Christie, Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Forman, Miss Burgess, Mrs. and Miss Mason, Mrs. Good, Mrs. Johnston, Miss Inlay, Mrs. Fairburn, Mrs. and Miss Nixon, Mrs. and Miss Williams, Mrs. H. Bayley, Mrs. Treadwell, Mrs. Corry and many others.

GOLF.

Last Wednesday there was a large number on the Belmont links. Miss Cowper won the prize in the senior division and Miss L. Harper in the junior. Afternoon tea was provided by Mrs. Paterson and Mrs. John Anderson. Amongst those present were Mesdames Butticoat, Hawke, Hole, James, Watt, Sarjeant, Lomas, Towseley, Howorth, Misses Wilford, Moore, Darley, McLean (Napier), Cave, Bates, A. Cowper, Brettagh, N. Cowper, Mrs. and Miss Anderson, Mrs. Paterson, Miss Harper, and others. On Friday afternoon the final for the ladies' golf championship was played between Miss G. Stanford and Miss N. Cowper, resulting after a close and exciting game in a win for the latter.

PERSONAL.

Mrs. S. Gordon, of Wanganui, has returned from her visit to relations in Canterbury.

Mr. E. Riddiford, of Wellington, has been staying in Wanganui recently.

Miss Wilford, of Wanganui, has returned from her visit to Sydney.

Mrs. John Watt, of Wanganui, and her daughter, Mrs. H. Marsack, of Auckland, have gone to Palmerston North for a short visit.

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