

Gathorne Hardy and Shannon, A.D.C.'s—arrived at the church, where the ceremony was performed by Bishop Wallis, attended by the vicar (the Rev. C. C. Harper), Bishop's chaplain, Denis Kiwa were the names chosen for the baby, who behaved himself with dignity through the ceremony. His godmothers are the Hon. Helen Plunket (his eldest sister), and Miss Williams (sister of Mrs. Wallis, wife of Bishop Wallis), and his Godfathers, the Hon. A. M. R. Bingham, who was formerly second A.D.C. to his Excellency, and Mr. H. C. Waterfield, private secretary to Lord Plunket. The font had been beautifully decorated with white flowers by Lady Jane Gathorne-Hardy and Miss Russell. After the ceremony at the church a garden party was held at "Woodhey," the Palmerston residence of their Excellencies. The weather was ideal—a brilliant sun tempered with a cool breeze. The grounds looked beautiful, the sloping lawns bordered with beds, a glorious mass of colour. Seats were placed everywhere, both in shady places, on the lawns and down the lovely walks. The lake looked as cool and inviting, and many availed themselves of the opportunity of a row. A large marquee was used for refreshments, lady's christening cake occupying the centre of the table. The white cake rose from a bed of fern leaves, symbolical of New Zealand, on the front was a spray of green shamrocks, and on the top "Denis" and "Kiwa" in dainty silver letters. The Palmerston band played gay music during the afternoon.

THE GUESTS.

Those who received invitations were: Mrs. and Misses R. S. Abraham, Mr. R. A. Abraham, Mr. and Mrs. Lionel Abraham, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Abraham, Mr. and Miss Armstrong, Mr. C. Anderson, Mr. D. Bruck, M.P., Mrs. and Misses D. Buick, Miss G. Beswick, Mr. and Mrs. G. Bagnall, Mr. and Mrs. P. Baldwin, Mr. A. N. Barrand, Mr. and Mrs. and Misses Barber, Mr. and Mrs. Somerville Brown, Mr. and Mrs. W. Bendall, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Broad, Mr. and Mrs. Briscoe, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Barnicoat, Mr. and Misses Bell, Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Bryant, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Batchelor, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Bagnall, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Bennett, Mr. and Mrs. P. Cooke, Mr. and Mrs. M. Cohen, Mr. and Mrs. F. Connell, Mr. and Mrs. H. Cooper, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Colbeck, Mr. and Mrs. C. U. Clauson, Mr. and Mrs. C. Collis, Rev. Egther Costello, Mr. and Mrs. R. Davis, Rev. and Mrs. G. W. Davidson, Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Elliott, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Fitzherbert, Mr. and Mrs. E. Freeman, Miss H. Fenton, the Misses Fraser, Mr. and Misses A. A. Glendinning, Colonel and Mrs. E. Gorton, Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Goldingham, Mr. and Misses Gillett, Miss Goring, Mr. and Mrs. A. Guy, Dr. and Mrs. Grey, Mr. and Mrs. F. Hewitt, Rev. and Mrs. C. C. Harper, Capt. Mrs. and Miss L. D. R. Hewitt, Mr. H. Hewitt, Mr. and Mrs. A. Holmes, Mr. and Mrs. E. Harman, Mr. E. D. Hobson, Mr. and Miss G. H. Humphreys, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Hewitt, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hankins, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Harden, Mr. and Mrs. H. Haydon, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. B. Holben, Mr. and Mrs. Hunter Brown, Staff-Captain and Mrs. Henry, Mrs. R. H. Homan, Nurse Henderson, Rev. and Mrs. Bird, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Innes, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Johnston, Mr. and Mrs. Goring-Johnston, Mr. and Mrs. J. Jackson, Mrs. W. Johnston, Captain and Mrs. Mostyn Jones, Rev. and Mrs. L. Jolly, Mr. and Mrs. Jickell, Miss Kelly, Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Keeling, Mr. W. Kinross, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Keeling, Mr. and Mrs. C. Loughman, Mr. and Mrs. F. O. Loughman, Mr. and Mrs. R. Levern, Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Levin, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd, Mrs. A. R. Lyons, Mr. W. G. Lyons, Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Luxford, Rev. and Mrs. J. J. Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. H. Barkins, Mr. and Mrs. C. Louison, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Monro, Dr. and Mrs. Martin, Miss MacLagan, Mr. H. E. McKellar, Mr. and Mrs. Mellsoop, Mr. and Mrs. McLennan, Dr. Mrs. and Miss Macintyre, Mr. D. Macintyre, Mr. and Mrs. O. Monnell, Mr. and Mrs. G. Moore, Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Moody, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Mayo, Mr. and Mrs. J. Mellie, Rev. and Mrs. Macdonald, Mr. and Miss Matheson, Mr. W. Moffatt, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Nash, Mr. and Mrs. E. Newman, Dr. Mrs. and Miss J. W. O'Brien, Mr. S. O'Brien, Mr. S. O'Loughlin, Mr. and Mrs. Foster-Pratt, Mr. B. Foster-Pratt, Mr. and Mrs. and Miss J. K. Essent, Mr. L. Essent, Dr. and Mrs. P. T. Putnam, Dr. and Mrs. C. W. Peach, Mr. and Mrs. O. Porritt, Dr. and Mrs. Pope, Mr. and Mrs. A. Palmer, Mr. and Mrs. and Misses W. Park, Captain-Adjutant

D. Pringle (commanding Manawatu Mounted Rifles) and Mrs. Pringle, Mr. and Mrs. J. Pickett, Mr. and Misses A. Russell, Mr. Reardon, Mrs. and Misses Randolph, Mr. and Mrs. D. Riddiford, Mr. and Mrs. W. Rutherford, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Stedman, Dr. and Mrs. W. R. Starve, Mr. and Mrs. W. Strang, Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Sim, Mr. and Mrs. Miss Snow, Mr. and Mrs. Miss C. Smith, Miss Stanford, Mr. and Mrs. A. Strang, Mr. and Mrs. Miss U. Slack, Mr. W. Slack, Mr. G. W. Slack, Mrs. D. O. Shute, Mr. J. A. Skerman, Mr. and Mrs. W. Stubbs, Mr. and Mrs. A. Seifert, Mr. and Mrs. L. Seifert, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Thompson, Mrs. Tripe, Mr. and Mrs. E. Tallott, Mr. and Mrs. C. Voss, Sir Joseph, Lady, and Mrs. Ward, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Wood, Mr. and Mrs. Miss E. Warburton, Mr. D. Warburton, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Waldegrave, Mr. N. Waldegrave, Dr. and Mrs. Wilson, Mr. K. Ward, Mr. K. and Misses Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. H. Watson, Mr. and Mrs. and Miss W. T. Ward, Mr. and Mrs. A. Ward, Mr. R. W. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. White, Mr. and Mrs. Miss C. E. Waldegrave, Mr. Mrs. and Miss H. R. Waldegrave, Mr. Mrs. and Miss J. G. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. H. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. J. Young.

Dresses at the Garden Party.

As I have already remarked, the day was glorious, consequently the smartest frocks could be worn without any anxiety. Lady Plunket wore a fine white Indian muslin toilette, embroidered and trimmed with white lace and insertion, bright blue straw hat, with rich pink roses, and silver foliage, pale pink parasol; Lady Jane Gathorne-Hardy, the palest green crepe de chine, floral hat to correspond; Mrs. H. C. Waterfield, cream cloth, richly embroidered in cream silk, touch of old rose velvet at waist, rose coloured hat, with cream feather and strings of rose floral ribbon; Miss Hill, an elaborately embroidered brown costume, moss green silk hat with brown feathers; Mrs. Wallis, pale grey coat and skirt, banded in grey, grey hat with white wings. Others I noticed were Mrs. Dan Riddiford (Marlon), wearing a black and white silk muslin frock over black silk, the bodice trimmed with beautiful lace, also silver embroidery and effective touches of turquoise blue velvet, large black hat lined with pale blue and trimmed with black feathers; Mrs. M. Cohen, a lovely pale blue satin toilette, white etchick feather boa large pale blue satin hat, with crown of white fur and pale blue wings; Mrs. Alan Strang, a striking pale blue silk costume, white ostrich feather boa, large black hat with feather and black ospreys; Mrs. J. A. Nash (Mayores), pale grey crepe de chine, black hat with tips; Mrs. P. Baldwin, pale heliotrope floral muslin trimmed with insertion of deeper shade, heliotrope hat with flowers and ospreys of same colour; Mrs. C. J. Monro, fawn striped silk muslin, with band of brown, edged with pale blue at foot of skirt, touches of blue on bodice, cream hat with black wings; Miss Monro, a particularly pretty frock of soft white spotted net over silk, the Empire bodice finished with bands and long ends of cerise velvet, large cerise hat; Mrs. H. Cooper, pale pink glaze silk, cream lace and pipings of brown trimmings, mauve silk hat with shaded roses; Miss Fraser pale grey silk, with black silk fringe, black plumed hat; Miss F. Fraser, palest pink crepe de chine and cream lace, black hat, with feathers; Mrs. Randolph, black cloth costume, richly embroidered in black, the waistcoat showing touch of emerald-green velvet, hold beaded chiffon vest, black hat with feathers; Miss Randolph, saxe blue chiffon taffeta, embroidered in same shade, the bodice trimmed with cream lace and tucked chiffon, large black plumed hat; Miss F. Randolph, pale blue crepe de chine, cream lace panel down front of skirt, finished with deep pale blue silk fringe, lace and fringe finishing bodice, black hat with tulle and feathers; Mrs. Hewitt, black canvas voile frock with cream lace, neat black and white hat; Miss Hewitt, the palest pink silk muslin, the skirt made with many tucks, cream lace and pink silk tassels finishing bodice, large pink silk hat; the Misses Russell wearing turquoise blue Shantung frocks, large mole-coloured hats, wreathed with pink roses and foliage; Miss McLennan, pale grey crepe de chine Empire toilette, gold sequined, cream chiffon scarf, large black hat; Mrs. Mostyn Jones, pale pink crepe de chine, with cream lace yoke threaded with narrow brown velvet ribbon, cream hat with pink roses; Mrs. Louison, white muslin and lace, large

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