

black hat with black feathers; and black ospreys; Mrs Warburton, a becoming champagne silk toilette with handsome lace design on skirt, large hat with emerald green wings, emerald green silk ruffle; Miss Warburton, white embroidered muslin, white ostrich feather boa, large black hat lined with pale blue and trimmed with pale blue roses; Mrs H. R. Waldegrave, black crepe de chine, the bodice finished with cream lace and pale blue silk, large black hat with black plumes; Miss Waldegrave, turquoise blue silk Empire frock, with yoke of spotted net, large cream hat with blue silk bows and pale pink roses; Mrs C. E. Waldegrave, black silk muslin over black silk, cream lace vest, black plumed hat; Mrs J. Waldegrave, a dainty white muslin frock, elaborately trimmed with fine lace and insertion, white ostrich feather boa, large white hat with white feathers; Mrs Lionel Abraham, a pretty frock of the palest blue silk, black and white hat; Miss Abraham, white muslin with floral border of the palest lavender, brown hat with flowers and brown feathers; Miss Marjory Abraham, turquoise blue chiffon Empire toilette, hat with long pale blue silk streamers; Mrs C. Smith, black crepe de chine Empire frock, cream lace yoke with touches of black velvet ribbon, black hat; Miss Smith, blue floral muslin, with silk trimming of darker shade, cream hat with profusion of blue flowers; Mrs Bagnall, Copenhagen, blue cloth costume, trimmed with spotted net and Oriental embroidery, black plumed hat; Mrs A. Ward, cream canvas voile and cream lace, brown hat; Mrs W. Park, heliotrope floral voile and lace, becoming black and white hat with feathers; Miss Park, cream cloth Eton costume; cream hat with pale green silk bow and pink flowers; Mrs Holmes, champagne toilette, black hat with black wings; Mrs Barber, grey and black check silk, black plumed hat; the Misses Barber, white embroidered muslin frocks, black hats; Miss Dolly Wilson, pale pink silk muslin, green silk belt, green silk hat; Mrs Stowe, cream canvas voile and lace, pale blue silk boa, black hat with feathers; Mrs Barnicoat, cinnamon brown crepe de chine, cream spotted net and ornamental embroidery trimming bodice, brown hat with tulle and pale pink poppies; Mrs T. W. Harden, cream canvas voile, ostrich feather boa, cerise floral toque with black wings; Mrs A. D. Thompson, cream serge Eton coat and skirt, brown hat; Mrs Elliott, heliotrope floral muslin with trimmings of a deeper shade of velvet ribbon, black lace hat with black feathers; the Misses Glendinning, black and white floral silk toilettes, floral hats; Mrs Pickett, cream serge Eton costume with pipings of pale blue, cream hat with flowers and green foliage; Mrs (Dr.) Wilson, a stylish coat and skirt of slate grey cloth, the coat ornamented with silver buttons, large hat with grey and white striped silk and black quills; Mrs J. M. Johnston, black and white striped coat and skirt, with black strapings, black and white hat with feathers; Mrs C. Loughnan, turquoise blue Shantung silk Empire frock, stylish black hat with emerald green wing; Mrs F. O. B. Loughnan, black crepe de with cream lace vest, small black hat with black tips; Miss Loughnan, dainty white muslin frock, white net ruffle, black hat with white tips; Mrs Porritt, white Indian muslin and lace over green silk, white hat with silk and pink and crimson roses; Mrs (Dr.) Greig, French grey Eton coat and skirt, blue hat with fawn quills; Mrs. Buick, black chiffon taffeta toilette, black and white hat; Miss C. Buick, cream and pink floral muslin, pink hat with white feathers; Miss I. Buick, white muslin and lace, floral hat; Mrs. R. Davis, a pale striped heliotrope Empire frock, hat with heliotrope wings; Mrs. Broad, green and white striped silk frock with touches of darker shade of green velvet ribbon, large white plumed hat; Mrs. Homan, pale grey and white silk toilette with lovely lace insertion, white lace coat, black hat with white feathers; Mrs. Gif-

ford Moore, white muslin and lace, black hat lined with white and trimmed with black feathers; Mrs. O'Brien, black crepe de chine, vest and sleeves of white net inserted with fine black lace insertion, black plumed hat; Miss O'Brien, cream and pink spotted muslin, with pink floral border, black hat with roses, scarlet parasol; Mrs. F. Pratt, black and white striped silk, white yoke veiled in fine black lace and finished with touches of turquoise blue, black hat with feathers; Mrs. W. T. Ward, pink floral muslin, black hat; Miss Ward, white muslin and lace, blue silk belt, blue hat; Mrs. (Dr.) Putnam, old rose costume, yoke of cream lace, pink hat with quills; Mrs. I. Jolly, dark green toilette, green hat; Mrs. F. Cooke, pale heliotrope silk, hat with wings of same shade; Mrs. Batchelor, black merveilleux frock, black hat with tips; Mrs. A. E. Bennett, white linen coat and skirt, black plumed hat; Mrs. S. W. Luxford, green chiffon taffeta, cream lace vest, black hat; Mrs. Goring Johnston, pale grey silk, cream hat wreathed with pink roses; Mrs. R. Levin, pale blue cloth frock, white feather boa, white hat with white feathers; Miss Humphries, white muslin and lace, white hat with silk rosette and pale mauve flowers.

Croquet.

On the same day a party of croquet players from Wanganui played a match against a local team on the Recreation Ground. Owing to the protracted length of some of the games several matches were not finished, and others not even commenced. Of those decided, Palmerston had the best of it, with 6 wins, 2 losses, 6 draws. The visitors were Mrs. Campbell, Mrs. Sargeant, Mrs. Saunders, Mrs. Paterson, Miss Knapp, Miss Gresson, Mrs. Lomax, Miss Skeet, Messrs. Stevenson, Izard, Goodwin, Bayley, Sargeant. Palmerston players were Mrs. Tripe, Mrs. Mellsoop, Mrs. Tunnes, Mrs. Russell, Mrs. McRae, Mrs. H. Fitzherbert, Mrs. W. L. Fitzherbert, Mrs. Bell, Messrs. Bell, Loughnan, Munro, Daniel, Elliott, Mrs. and the Misses Gemmel, Mrs. Morrah, Mrs. McKnight, Mrs. Daniel, Miss Bell, Miss D. Tripe, Mrs. Coombs, Mrs. Bayley and Mrs. Mackay (Wanganui), Mr. and Mrs. J. Lang, Mrs. Rennell were those present.

Other Events.

Mrs. H. P. Fitzherbert (New Plymouth) was the guest of honour at a small progressive bridge party given by Mrs. J. H. Hankins on Tuesday night. Mrs. Putnam and Mr. Bond were prizewinners. The players included Mr. and Mrs. Hankins, Mrs. Fitzherbert, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Fitzherbert, Mr. and Mrs. McRae, Mr. and Mrs. P. Sim, Dr. and Mrs. Putnam, Mr. Bond, Mr. Wither and a few others.

Mrs. F. Cooke, Fitzherbert-street, entertained friends at tennis on Wednesday afternoon.

Personal Items.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Colbeck left for England last week.

Mr. R. S. Abraham and Miss Abraham sail from Wellington to-day on a trip to England.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Meir returned from their wedding trip to Napier on last Saturday. They stayed at the Grand Hotel till Tuesday, and then left for their future home in Christchurch.

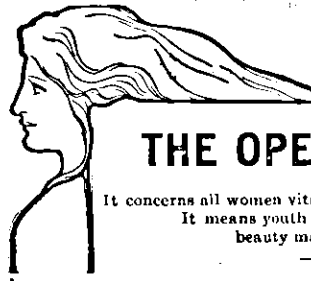
VIOLET.

CHRISTCHURCH.

March 12.

Polo.

The tournament for the handsome cup presented by Mr. A. E. G. Rhodes was concluded on Friday afternoon, when the Pareora team defeated Christchurch No. 2 by 19 goals to 15, after a very interesting game. The scintillating drizzle which fell in the early part of the afternoon made the ground very slippery, and con-



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