

and Mrs H. V. Browne, Mrs Ryan, Mrs Turnbull, Mr and Mrs Hyford, Miss Cotterell, Misses Redwood (2), Miss Carkeek, Misses McCabe (2), Misses Keating (2), Misses Watson (2), Miss Morrison, Miss Bottrell, Misses Broughan (2), Mr and Mrs Leahy, Mrs Cranston, Mrs O'Leary, Mrs Wooster, Mr and Mrs A. Mason, Mrs (Sergt.) Mason, Misses O'Sullivan (2), Miss Bronzahan; and Messrs J. Barry, who was a very efficient secretary; L. Redwood, Bartlett, Broughton (2), Smellie, Shaw, W. Morrison, Herd, Wooster, Mitchell, F. Muller, Father Servajean, Father Fahy, and hosts of others, whose names I could not ascertain. Before the close of the evening Mr Mitchell gave a clever recitation in the Scotch dialect.

Miss Ferguson, who has been away in Wellington for a week or two, has returned to make arrangements for leaving here altogether, and taking up her residence in Wellington, where she will, I believe, take up the study of massage, etc.

Miss Bourne left here last Tuesday for Wellington, where she will pay a round of visits before leaving for England, in the Gothic. All her friends here regret that she is leaving us altogether.

Miss Suisted is spending a week or two here with her relations, on her way from Wellington to Westport.

A representative football team from Nelson played here on Saturday afternoon, and after a close game defeated our men by 3 to nil.

"Olivette" is to be given here by the Operatic Society for three nights this week, and we hope that it will be a great success.

Mr J. Reid's residence, "Holmdale," was burnt down on Saturday morning, owing, it is supposed, to a defective chimney, and though the furniture was insured they have lost many things that can not be replaced, amongst others Mr Reid's valuable Highland costume, on which he set great store. Most of the furniture was saved, but all the house linen and a good deal of the children's clothing was burned. Mr Monro's

loss was covered by insurance, the will build again for Mr Reid, but in house being insured for £700. He the meantime the family is scattered—Mr and Mrs Reid and children with Mrs R. McCallum; the Misses Smith and Anderson have taken Miss Innes; and two of Mr Reid's children with Mrs Armstrong.

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NELSON.

Dear Bee, September 10.
Mr and Mrs Littlejohn gave a LARGE DANCE

at the Boys' College on Wednesday evening for the Wellington, Christchurch, and Nelson football teams. There must have been nearly 200 present, and all thoroughly enjoyed themselves. All the arrangements were splendidly carried out. The large gymnasium was converted into a delightful ballroom, decorated with ferns and greenery and hung with flags. The floor and music were alike good. Mr and Mrs Littlejohn received their guests in one of the large classrooms, which was also beautifully decorated and furnished as a drawing-room. A delicious and plentiful supper was laid in the large dining hall. Large pots of exquisite spring bulbs adorned the tables. Mrs Littlejohn wore a handsome black broche gown, with deep revers of violet velvet on the bodice; Miss M. Littlejohn wore a pretty frock of pale blue with lace trimmings; Miss Stewart Forbes looked well in white shower muslin and lace; Mrs Firth (Wellington College), heliotrope corduroy velvet, the bodice trimmed with bands of violet velvet; Mrs Wing, handsome black evening gown; Mrs E. F. W. Cooke, forget-me-not blue silk with lace trimmings; Mrs Robinson, black silk; Mrs Bain also wore black, white cap; Miss Tendall, black evening dress, the décolletage finished with rich white lace and pink roses; Miss M. Tendall, wore bright blue; Miss Gribben, heliotrope silk; Miss Duff, black

silk; Miss Sealy, pink evening blouse, black silk skirt; Miss E. Sealy, pretty green frock; Miss Leggatt, white corded silk; Miss V. Leggatt, soft white silk relieved with blue velvet; Miss Heaps, white broche; Miss Tomlinson, white muslin with rose pink ribbons; Miss E. Ledger, nil green; Miss Joy Ledger, pretty frock of soft white silk; Miss W. Roberts, cream; her sister looked pretty in pink; Miss F. Webb-Bowen, becoming gown of pink trimmed with lace; Miss Houliker, pretty blue silk with frill of white lace on skirt; Miss Blackett wore black, and her sister white; Miss M. Glasgow, deep buttercup silk; Miss P. Fell, green and white striped silk; Miss P. Buchanan, bright red; Miss Harris, nil green silk; Miss M. Harris, white silk relieved on bodice with blue; Miss D. Bell, white silk; Miss F. Conte looked pretty in white shower muslin; Miss M. Robinson, white muslin; Miss M. Mackay, white trimmed with gold braid; Miss Hodson, green silk with chiffon trimmings; the Misses Lutherford (Wellington) wore bright pink frocks; Miss Butt (Wellington) was admired in pink silk; Miss Simpson, pretty white muslin and lace frock, heliotrope sash; Miss L. Atkinson (Wellington), black velvet and silk; Miss E. Booth, pink, and her little sister wore cream; Miss F. Edwards, soft white silk; Miss C. Edwards, blue; Miss Graham, white; the Misses Clifford, Hanron, Topless, Haintain, Ellis, D. Wright, Handby, Boon, Gellatly, Burford, Milner, McKae, all wore white; Miss E. Kempthorne, pink; Miss Perrin, heliotrope and white; Miss E. Moore, cream; Miss D. Harkness, pink; Miss G. Wright, light blue; Miss L. Preshaw, white; etc., etc. Amongst the gentlemen were—Messrs Wing, Cooke, Drummond, Milner, Firth (Wellington College), Squires, Adams (2), Hamilton (2), Houliker (3), Kempthorne (2), Holloway, Handby, Finney, Fell (2), Butt, Rogers (2), Littlejohn, Ireco, Furness, Boon, Hales (2), Dodson, Collins, Hanron, and very many others whose names I did not know.

On Friday evening Mrs Percy Adams gave a DANCE

at her residence "Melrose" for her son Noel. There were about fifty present, and all spent a most enjoyable time. The drawing-room was used for dancing, the floor of which was very good. A recherche supper was laid in the dining-room, the table being beautifully decorated with spring flowers. Mrs Adams wore a becoming gown of rose pink moire, with transparent sleeves of white lace, and the corsage finished with deep ruby velvet; Miss Butt, of Wellington, who is staying with Mrs Adams, wore a pretty and becoming gown of soft white silk. Others present were the Misses Dorothy Bell, P. Buchanan, M. Buony, E. Booth, Edwards (2), Fell, Mabel Glasgow, A. Gibson, Harris (2), Houliker, Leggatt (2), Ledger (2), Martin (2), McKae, M. Mackay, M. Hodson, L. Preshaw, M. Robinson, Rutherford (2) (Wellington), Ethel Sealy, F. Webb-Bowen, and Trent (2). Messrs Percy Adams, Noel Adams, Butt (2), Coney, D. Edwards, Fell, Houliker (3), Hamilton (4), Heaps, Hayter, H-iley, A. Kempthorne, C. Levien, McLenn (Wellington), McKae, Mullan, Preshaw, Rawson (Wellington), B. Stringer (Christchurch), Tomlinson (2), and Watts (2).

FOOTBALL.

The second of the inter-collegiate matches in which the Nelson College team has been engaged this season was played on Wednesday afternoon against the Wellington College, and resulted in another splendid victory for the Nelson boys, who scored 45 points to 3. The Nelson College Boys have worked hard this year, and have been well trained, as the results of the two matches show, and there is very little doubt that they would have proved the champion collegiate team this year had they been able to meet the Wanganui College. Nelson College offered to play Wanganui College at any time or place, but the latter declined without any explanation.

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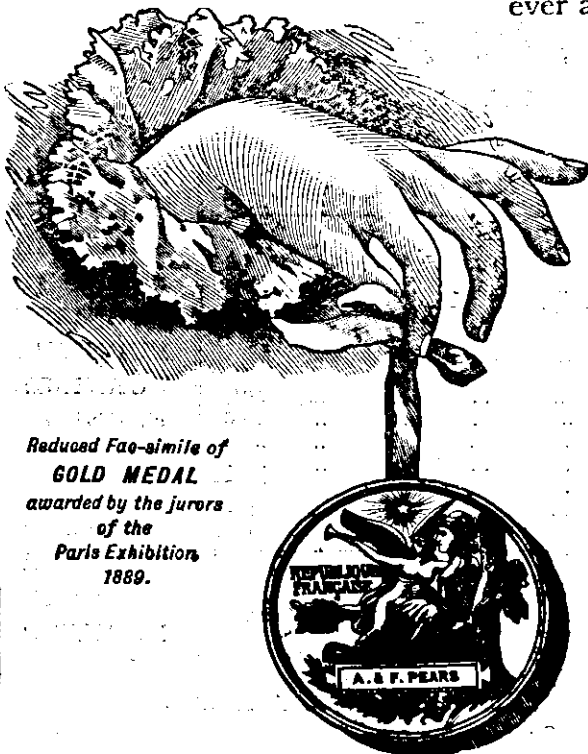
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