

Mrs Oldham, blue; Miss Wallnutt, pretty lavender muslin; Mrs Lovelidge, black costume, black hat; Miss Mowbray, grey costume, white V shape let in front and back, black hat; Miss Daisy Mowbray, fawn, trimmed with shell pink, hat and parasol en suite; Mrs. Nicol, black; Miss Nichol, dark skirt, blue blouse, blue toque; Mrs Grey, dark skirt, white blouse, black hat; Mrs Mitchellson, grey, trimmed with diamond shaped lace applique, cream toque with pink; Miss Mitchellson, blue and white, striped cambric; Misses Ireland, white muslins; Mrs S. Morris, navy and white stripe; Miss Thorpe, white muslin; Mrs Worsp, green muslin, black toque; Miss Worsp, white muslin, with green sash; Mrs Ching, handsome royal blue; material, finished with white, black hat profusely trimmed with white ostrich feathers; Miss McLean (Gisborne), white muslin, pink hat; Mrs H. Tonks, white cambric, black hat; Miss Percival, canary and white striped gown, black toque, and her sister, white muslin; and her sisters, brown holland; Mrs Ralph (Ponsonby), green plaid; Mrs Ralph (Sylvia Park), black, relieved with white; Miss Muir, pink and blue flowered muslin; Mrs J. C. Smith, black silk, black hat; Miss Smith, white; Mrs Wilson, white skirt, heliotrope blouse, heliotrope hat; Miss Scherff, white book muslin, with fawn lace; Mrs Black, dark green; Miss Atkinson, white silk, finished with black velvet; Mrs Alison, black silk, relieved with white; Mrs Grahame, absinthe green foulard; Mrs Thomas Morris, violet foulard, with white spots, brown hat, trimmed with white; Mrs Morris, white mousseline de soie, cream hat, with roses; and her sister wore a pink flowered gown; Miss Boscawen, dark skirt, pink blouse, blue ribbon round waist and neck, hat with blue ribbons; Mrs Harry Bloomfield, pale mode grey costume, white hat, with plumes; Miss Binney, grey plaid costume, black hat trimmed with blue; Miss Buckland, blue costume; Mrs Herries, blue cambric, trimmed with coffee lace applique, black hat, with yellow; Miss Horne, lavender coat and skirt, grey hat, trimmed with yellow; Mrs Alfred Nathan, pale grey tuckered silk, grey hat, with black ribbon; Mrs Browning, black and white striped costume, black toque with black ostrich feather, and her daughter wore white; Mrs Cotter, China blue foulard, trimmed with black lace, black hat; with coloured roses; Miss Cotter, green silk, veiled in white muslin, cream straw hat, with black tulle and pink flowers; Mrs Bull, black silk; Mrs Lawford, grey check; Mrs Devore, black; Miss Davy, white; Miss Dunnett, heliotrope muslin, black hat, with plumes; Mrs Moss Davis, black and white figured foulard; Miss Moss Davis, white Indian silk, black hat; Miss Wilkins, brown holland; Miss M. Wilkins, white relieved with pink; Mrs C. Phillips, royal blue, trimmed with white.

There was a very large attendance on Saturday

AT POLO.

which was held in Potter's Paddock. Mrs. Burns and Mrs. Ferguson gave the afternoon tea, which was prettily laid out in an ante-room under the stand. The table was decorated with various colours of sweet pea. Mrs. Burns, black silk, relieved with white, black bonnet; Mrs. A. M. Ferguson, white muslin, with lace insertion and tucks, black picture hat with black plumes and tulle, pink roses beneath brim; Miss Claire Smith, white pique, the waist was swathed with blue, white hat with blue and black feathers; Miss Thorne George, white pique skirt, cream Liberty silk blouse, cream straw hat, with ruche of green in front, and quills; Miss Griffiths, fawn holland skirt, white blouse, sailor hat; Mrs. Harry Tonks, white shower muslin, sailor hat; Miss Worsp, grey check skirt, white pique jacket, sailor hat; and her sister wore white, relieved with blue, hat to correspond; Mrs. Lockhart, dark skirt, white tuckered blouse with cream lace, sailor collar, sailor hat; Mrs. Elliott, violet figured foulard, black bonnet; Miss Elliott, white costume, white hat with red flowers and feathers; Mrs. (Dr.) Scott, a combination of grey and pink; Mrs. (Colonel) Dawson, flowered muslin with black Empire sash, grey

toque; Mrs. Hope-Lewis, white gown, black hat; and her daughter, white skirt, pink blouse, white hat; Miss Purchas, white muslin, sailor hat; Mrs. Craigh, dark skirt, white blouse; Mrs. Buddle, habit skirt, white blouse; Miss Gorrill, black and white striped muslin; Miss Shepherd, black costume, relieved with white; Miss Lennox, white skirt, coloured blouse, hat with flowers; Misses Kerr-Taylor (2), pink costumes; Miss Stevenson, yellow silk, veiled in white muslin, black hat; Mrs. Lawford, black skirt, striped silk blouse, sailor hat; Miss Hesketh, blue figured foulard, sailor hat; Mrs. Scott-West, dark skirt, canary blouse; Messrs. O'Rourke, C. Purchas, Colonel Dawson, Pickering, Stimpson, Dunnett, Smith, Dawson, Craigh (2), Tonks, Bloomfield, Lockhart, Woodhouse, Cotter, Herries, Drs. C. Purchas, Sharmon, Guinness and Scott.

PHYLLIS BROWN.

NEW PLYMOUTH.

Dear Bee, January 4.
The New Plymouth people celebrated the advent of the New Year by the happy idea of a universal

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and seaside carnival on the sands at the breakwater, which turned out an unequalled success. Perhaps one of the prettiest sights to the onlooker was the immense number of daintily dressed children sporting themselves on the sands, building and fortifying castles, or paddling about with bare feet and exciting the pride or fear of their anxious parents, while the young men and maidens varied the monotony of the marine element of amusement by excursions into the fern-clad sandhills, or peradventure climbing up the dizzy heights of Paritutu, finishing up the day's amusement with the time-honoured diversion of "kiss in the rain." Never before, in the history of Taranaki, have the capabilities of the "Port" been so well developed as a resort for seaside recreation, and the scene of the thousands of happy people enjoying themselves, forcibly brought to mind to many of the older visitors, visions of Margate, Ramsgate and Brighton, in the days gone by. To enhance the pleasure of the day, the committee had wisely chartered the Union Company's splendid new steamer, the Mapourika, which, during the afternoon, conveyed about 1000 passengers, including children, for a short sea trip round the Sugar Loaves and Seal Rock, thence back in view of the town, and returning to the Breakwater about 3.30 p.m. Many of those on board had never seen the sea or a steamer in their lives before, and the little ocean voyage was a revelation, and will be an event to them to talk about in the future. In fact, everything passed off well and happily, and the greatest praise is due to Messrs. W. Newman, R. Cock, W. Skinner, T. Mills and all the other members of the committee, who worked so hard and zealously to make the affair the success it proved.

The second annual meeting of the TARANAKI LAWN TENNIS ASSOCIATION

took place on the New Plymouth Club's grounds on January 1st and 2nd (Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons). We were favoured with lovely weather, if anything, a trifle too warm, and visitors from Waverley, Patea and Stratford were present. The former club proved too good for the local players, Mr. Dickie and Miss Powdrell, in the championships, playing in splendid style. Miss Powdrell, the winner of the ladies' championship singles, is a very graceful player. Mrs. Payne also played a very good game, while Miss Payne and the Misses Dickie added to the success of the Southerners. Mr. Dickie, in the final set, after a hard struggle, beat Mr. S. Smith, a local man.

Among those watching the games were: Mrs. W. Leatham (Auckland), white pique coat and skirt; Mrs. L. Leatham, pink blouse, dark skirt, hat en suite; Mrs. Penn, heliotrope muslin, with heliotrope and white net bow; Miss Kirkby, blue and white costume; Miss I. Kirkby, white blouse, dark skirt, sailor hat; Mrs. J. Cartwright, pink blouse, veiled in white muslin, black lustre skirt; Miss Cartwright, pink and green flowered muslin, trimmed with violet; Miss Hawkins, pretty blue and white blouse, cream lustre skirt; her sister looked extremely well in white; Miss Thomson, white

muslin blouse, dark skirt; Miss Bedford, white muslin, heliotrope hat; Mrs. Howley, grey; Miss Smith, violet costume, black hat; Mrs. Stanford, black; Miss Stanford, blue and white; Mrs. H. Fookes, grey costume, black hat; Miss Fookes, white; Miss Hamerton; Miss E. Hamerton, blue; Mrs. J. Wilson, blue blouse, dark skirt, sailor hat; Miss T. Berry, white and pink; Miss M. Evans; Mrs. Maurison, white, and violet tie; Mrs. Anderson (Wanganui), white, with pink and blue hat; Miss McKellar, pink and white; Miss J. McKellar, white; Miss MacDiarmid, blue blouse, holland skirt, sailor hat; Miss H. Webster, heliotrope silk blouse, trimmed with black velvet ribbon and cream lace, white skirt, pretty white hat; Miss L. Webster, white; Mrs. Lollo, white blouse, black skirt; Miss Stuart, white costume, black picture hat; her friend wore a navy blue costume, trimmed with violet velvet, pretty turquoise blue chiffon toque; Mrs. Curtis (Stratford), violet blouse, black skirt, black hat; Miss Curtis, white; Miss G. Holdsworth, white; Miss Porlace (Wellington), grey blouse, dark skirt; Miss M. Fookes, white and scarlet; Miss G. Fookes, blue and white; Mrs. Kimble, pretty grey costume, hat en suite; Mrs. MacDiarmid, green; Miss B. Bayly, grey silk blouse, black lustre skirt; Miss V. George, pale heliotrope; Miss Standish, blue blouse, dark skirt, sailor hat; Mrs. Marshall, Miss Marshall; Miss W. Mathew, white and green; Misses G. and O. Stanford; Miss Tuke; Miss Skeet; Miss Walker; Mrs. Reed; Miss Reed; etc.

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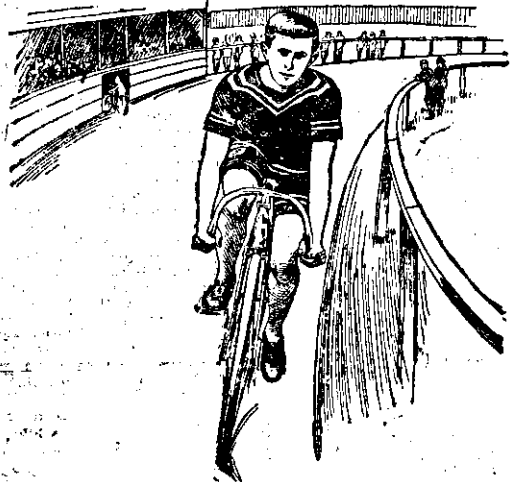
I noticed Mrs. Paul, wearing a pale green costume, with darker green trimmings, pretty cream chiffon and lace parasol; Mrs. Freeth, black, heliotrope bonnet; Miss Freeth, cream silk, hat

en suite; Mrs. Wilson, purple and white cheek costume, black hat; Mrs. H. Fookes, pretty sea-green silk blouse, trimmed with ruchings of pink silk, grey skirt; her friend wore a pretty heliotrope coat and skirt, toque en suite; Miss Testa, pale fawn; her friend wore blue; Mrs. H. Gray, heliotrope flowered muslin, over yellow; Miss MacDiarmid, white and blue; Miss Bedford, white; Miss B. Thomson, violet silk blouse, white skirt, hat to match; Misses Baker (2), white pique costumes; Miss Wilson, sage-green coat and skirt, cream vest; Mrs. Fraser; pale fawn costume, bonnet trimmed with yellow; Miss J. Fraser, blue flowered muslin, picture hat en suite; Miss G. Stanford, pink and white; Misses Fookes (2), white; Miss Hursthouse, fawn and white; Mrs. Penn, pink blouse, white skirt; Miss Kirkby, blue; Miss Knight, green shot silk blouse, grey check skirt, black and pink hat; Mrs. C. T. Mills, white; Mrs. Messinger, white and scarlet, black picture hat; Miss Walker, white and yellow blouse, white skirt, hat trimmed with pink; Miss Stanford, blue; Miss O. Stanford, white; Mrs. Wright, blue flowered muslin, trimmed with satin ribbon, hat en suite; Miss E. Hursthouse, blue blouse, white skirt; Miss C. Jacob, white; Mrs. A. Kirkby, white; Mrs. Skeet, black; Miss Skeet, grey and white, black hat; Miss G. Shaw, white; Miss McKellar, white; Mrs. Tuke, black and white; Miss Tuke, heliotrope; Miss B. Tuke, white muslin; Mrs. Walter Bayly, blue costume; Mrs. Kimble, white; Miss Marshall, blue; Miss Smith, pink and green muslin; Miss Standish; Miss B. Bayly; Mrs. Cartwright, black, bonnet trimmed with pink; Miss Cartwright; Miss E. Bayley, white; Mrs. Home, white and heliotrope, cream hat; Miss Stuart, grey.

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