

roses. They wore picturesque hats of pale blue panne, caught up with wings, and carried bouquets of pink roses with pale blue chiffon streamers. The bridegroom presented the bride with a diamond pendant, and to the bridesmaids he gave turquoise and pearl pendants. Mr W. Price acted as best man, and Messrs S. Gilmer and W. Bethune as groomsmen. After the reception Mr and Mrs Ziele left for Christchurch, the bride wearing a smart travelling dress of iron grey panne cloth, with vest of emerald green panne, black beaver hat with touches of green. The bride's mother wore a dress of black crepe de chine, inserted with lace, and black and cream tulle toque with cream roses and ospreys. Among the numerous guests were Mrs Seddon, wearing black voile, strapped with white satin; Miss May Seddon, mauve voile costume; Mrs Beau, biscuit coloured voile; Mrs MacArthur, white foulard, patterned with black; Mrs Collins, panna violet voile, and violet chiffon toque; Mrs MacDonald, black brocade; Miss McDonald, green muslin, and mauve bouquet; Misses Pee (2), white cloth dresses, and sweet pea bouquets; Miss Willis, mauve voile; Miss Skerrett, black crepe de chine and cream lace; Mrs H. Ross, lettuce green chiffon over silk; Miss Page, tussore silk and pink hat; Mrs J. Rose, pale grey voile, tucked and inserted with tinted lace; Miss Kirkcaldie, pink and white pompadour silk, and pink hat; Misses Louison (2), Christchurch, blue-grey voile dresses, with touches of rose pink; Mrs Martin Kennedy, black brocade; Mrs Henry, dove grey satin. Numerous and valuable presents were received, including several handsome cheques.

AUSTIN—McBRYDE.

The marriage of Mr Ernest Austin, second son of Mr Thomas Austin, of Napier, and Miss Helen McBryde, third daughter of Mr John McBryde, also of Napier, was solemnized on March 5th, at the Wesleyan Church, Napier, by the Rev. C. E. Becroft. It was a quiet wedding, and only the immediate relatives of the two families were present. The bride was given away by Mr Griffiths. She was attended by Miss Florence Austin. Mr G. Austin, brother of the bridegroom, acted as best man. The bride wore a white silk dress with ruffles and flounces of soft lace; over the tulle veil she wore a wreath of orange blossom, and she carried a bouquet of white blooms. Miss Florence Austin wore pale yellow silk, trimmed with the same shade of ribbon, and hat and feathers to match. After the ceremony the guests adjourned to the residence of the bride's relatives for refreshments. The bride and bridegroom subsequently left for Wellington.

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Society Gossip

AUCKLAND.

Dear Bee,— March 9.

WATER EXCURSION AT HOME.

Favoured as we are in Auckland with a bright sky and a lovely harbour, studded with numerous beautiful islands and picturesque bays, an excursion by water is a pleasant form of entertainment, and one always greatly appreciated. The Royal New Zealand Yacht Club were fortunate in the choice of last Saturday for their excursion at Home, given to follow up the motor launch race. A little after half-past two o'clock the ferry steamer Eagle left the North Shore ferry tee with about fifty or sixty guests, who responded to the Royal Yacht Club's hospitable invitation. The afternoon was perfect, sea and sky combined to present our harbour in one of its most beautiful aspects, and the picturesque view of the Waitemata, with the ships of the Australasian Squadron, innumerable white-winged yachts dotted as far as one could see, and the motor launches fitting and dancing on the sparkling waters, was the source of many expressions of delight from the interested spectators. After the motor launch race, some excitement was displayed when a pulling race took place between the crew of H.M.S. Lizard and our North Shore Naval men, the race ending in a win for the men-o'-war-men. At the conclusion of the afternoon's races on the water the party were entertained at afternoon tea in the club's rooms. The tea-table looked very pretty, decorated with flowers and the R.N.Z.Y.S. pennant down the centre. The arrangement of the rooms and table decorations were supervised by Mrs Humphrey Haines, who had a number of willing assistants. During the afternoon Mrs E. Moss Davis contributed some songs. Amongst those present I noticed:—Mrs C. P. Murdoch, who wore a mourning costume; Mrs Humphrey Haines wore a coral pink glaze silk blouse under a grass lawn and lace bolero, white pique skirt, and a white hat with lace and pink flowers; Mrs E. Hughes wore a lawn and black striped lawn, burnt straw hat, with cream lace; Mrs Louis Myers, black voile skirt and silk tucked bodice, black and white bonnet, with blue ornaments; Miss Myers, white silk blouse, with lace pelarise, cream serge skirt, white hat wreathed with Parma violets; Miss Oxley, black silk striped lustre, with cream guipure lace revers, black and white hat; Miss Winnie Leys, white Swiss embroidered muslin, with touches of blue, lawn straw plateau hat, wreathed with green leaves and violets; Mrs Chatfield, black mervelleux, black and white hat; Mrs E. W. Alison, white and black floral muslin, with transparent yoke, black hat swathed with white lace; Mrs F. Baume, ivory Scillian lustre, with black velvet, black plateau hat; Mrs Churton, white pique, white hat with yellow flowers; Mrs T. Hutchison, rose pink linen, white

hat with yellow and black butterfly; Mrs Runciman, black costume; Miss Runciman, grass lawn, with white spots, lawn hat with forget-me-nots and green leaves; Mrs E. Moss Davis, blue and pink floral muslin, white hat with lace and magenta roses; Miss Gray (Barnura), navy and white spotted foulard, burnt straw hat; Mrs Caldwell, tussore silk, white hat with autumn leaves and roses; Miss Caldwell, tucked grass lawn, with lace diamond medallions, lawn hat with chine silk bow at the back; Miss Cleghorn, white and blue floral muslin; Mrs W. Gray, black mervelleux, white chiffon ruffle, white hat; Miss Gray, blue silk blouse, black skirt; Mrs Oxley, grass lawn skirt, white blouse, and heliotrope hat; Madame Lefevre, cream striped muslin, pink chiffon hat; Miss Lee, blue muslin, white hat with forget-me-not; Misses Alison, white silk blouses and black skirts respectively; Miss Crawford, white and blue muslin blouse, black skirt, white hat.

Last Wednesday, the weather being beautifully fine, there was another large attendance on the

EDEN AND EPSOM LAWNS.

The afternoon tea was provided by all the members. There were several very interesting singles played amongst the ladies. Miss S. Rice beat Miss D. Udy, and Miss P. Gorrie beat Miss A. Stewart two sets to one. This was a very pretty match, and some very good play was witnessed.

Mrs John Dawson wore black skirt, fawn tussore silk blouse, black toque; Miss Dawson, holland gown, burnt straw hat; Miss Cooke, white muslin, with large blue floral design, the dress was finished with white lace, white hat; Mrs Beale, black skirt, pink figured foulard blouse, black hat with pink roses; Mrs Hautain, black with ceru lace, black hat; Miss Rice, pink cambric, and her sister wore a holland skirt, pale green blouse, with ceru lace, white hat; Miss Cozens, holland skirt, white blouse, white hat; Mrs Yates, holland skirt with white braiding, white blouse, large white hat with roses; Mrs Oldham, holland gown with white braiding, sailor hat; Mrs Mair, holland skirt, tussore silk blouse, with lace collar, white hat; Miss Stewart, azure blue linen gown, sailor hat, and her sister wore pink; Mrs Kenderline, dark skirt, fawn tussore silk blouse, black hat; Miss Pearl Gorrie, holland circular flounced skirt, white blouse, white flop hat; Miss Trevithick, dark skirt, pale pink striped blouse, white hat; Mrs Oberlin-Brown, pale grey striped gown, black hat; Miss Oberlin-Brown, white muslin gown, white hat; Miss Kitty Oberlin-Brown, navy delaine, white hat; Miss Bleazard Brown, ciel blue foulard, large hat, and her sister wore a holland skirt, white blouse, sailor hat; Mrs Fenton, striking costume of absinthe green lawn, large hat with roses; Miss Hill, dark skirt, white blouse, sailor hat; Mrs Watkins, canary skirt, white blouse, white hat; Miss Paton, grey plaid gown, sailor hat; Miss Hull, holland skirt, white blouse, sailor hat; Miss Towle, white pique skirt with silk blouse, with ceru lace, white hat; Miss Garland, dark skirt, bydrangea blue silk blouse, lashed with broad flowered ribbon, burnt straw hat, and her sister wore a dark skirt, pale blue muslin blouse, sailor hat; Miss Sloman looked

chic in a dainty pink cambric, white hat swathed with silk; Miss Bramwell, pink linen skirt, white blouse, white hat; Mrs Udy, black skirt, navy foulard blouse, black hat; Miss Udy, holland skirt with white braiding, white silk blouse, white hat; Miss D. Udy, holland skirt, blue blouse, white hat; Mrs Coates, black toque, lavender flowered blouse, black skirt with flowers; Miss Coates, holland skirt, white blouse, with blue rosettes, white hat.

Misses Percival (2) and Hesketh gave the afternoon tea

AT POLO.

There was a large attendance of players. Amongst them were:—Messrs. O'Rorke, Meredith, Tomks, Lloyd, Hume, Burns, Crowther, C. Puresha, N. Taylor, Cotter, Hall, C. Morrin, Dr. Maitland. The large "At Home" of the Golf Club rather marred the attendance of the ladies. Amongst the ladies present I noticed: Miss Hesketh, fawn spotted muslin with under-dress of silk; Mrs Anson, dome-blue silk, hat with flowers; Miss Edith Percival, white cambric; and her sister wore a fawn tussore silk; Mrs Torrance, black silk veiled in lace, white vest, black bonnet; Miss Morrow, white cambric with blue sash, sailor hat; and her sister wore a white muslin with pink sash, sailor hat; Mrs Lloyd, white serge coat and skirt, white hat.

Mrs J. J. O'Brien gave an "At Home" at her residence, "Lombard," Ponsonby, on Thursday afternoon to meet Mr Walter Kirby and the members of Madame Melba's concert party. The hall and reception rooms were very prettily decorated. The hostess, assisted by her nieces, received in a beautiful gown trimmed with lovely Irish lace now very much worn in England. Amongst those present were Bishop Lenihan, the Rev Dr Egan, Mrs Sydney Nathan, Mrs Fred Baume, Mrs Toke, Miss Elva Rogers, Miss Natalie Dawson, Mr and Mrs Frederick Griffiths, Mrs E. Mahony, Mrs T. Mahoney, Mrs Boardman, Mrs Bedford, Mrs Smith, Mrs Allison, Mrs J. B. and the Misses Graham, Mrs Dignan, Mrs Brown, Miss Brophy, Mrs Goldwater, Miss Casey, Misses Lynch, Mrs and Miss Leyland, Mrs McCabe, Mr Walter Kirby and Miss Haven, contributed to a musical programme. Mr and Mrs O'Brien received many congratulations on their safe return to Auckland.

The Auckland Golf Club opened their season on Saturday last by a

LARGE AT HOME.

The weather was magnificent. The match between the officers of the fleet and the local club members began at ten o'clock in the morning. At the conclusion of the game the players were guests of the club at luncheon, the captain, Mr E. D. O'Rorke, doing the honours as host for the club, and there could not be two opinions as to his consideration courtesy to all. Play started at two o'clock in the afternoon with the mixed foursomes. At the conclusion of the foursomes afternoon tea was served in the pretty rooms of the Golf Club House. There was a very large crowd present, and I found it utterly impossible to even remember half who were present, but have done my best. Mrs Gillies, black silk with lace, black bo-

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