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**MACALLAN-GUY.**

On April 1, at All Saints' Church, Palmerston North, was solemnised the marriage of Dr Macallan, of Dannevirke, with Miss Guy, daughter of Mr Duncan Guy, of Dannevirke, and formerly of Napier. The bride, who was led to the altar by her father, wore a travelling dress of blue cloth with hat to match. She was attended by her two sister as bridesmaids. The Rev C. C. Harper performed the nuptial rite, and subsequently the bride and bridegroom left en route for Europe.

**HILL-BINNS.**

A pretty wedding took place at St Mary's, Merivale, when Miss Minnie Binns, second daughter of Mr F. C. Binns, Winchester-street, Merivale, was married to Mr Fred Hill, of Bradford, Yorkshire. The Rev A. W. Averill officiated, the service being part choral. The Misses Binns (sisters of the bride) and Miss Hill were the bridesmaids, and Mr H. Hargreaves acted as best man. Mr and Mrs Hill left for Dunedin by the Ionic for their honeymoon, and in which steamer they leave shortly for a trip to England.

**BRENNAN-BIRCH.**

The marriage was recently celebrated in Wellington of Mr. J. M. Brennan, of the firm of Boyd and Brennan, Wanganui, and Miss Ada Birch, daughter of Mr H. Birch, chief engineer of the Wellington Gas Company. The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a dress of ivory mervelleux, elaborately tucked and trimmed with lace, and a deep lace collar. Her two bridesmaids, Misses Amy Birch and K. Brennan, were in dainty white muslin gowns, prettily tucked and trimmed with lace. Mr. P. Morphy was best man, and Mr. C. Newhau groomsmen. The bridegroom presented the bride with a gold watch, and her two attendants with gold brooches. After the ceremony, which was performed by the Rev. W. J. Elliott at the Wesley Church, Taranaki street, a reception was held at the residence of the bride's parents, Courtenay Place. The wedding presents included a silver biscuit basket and teapot from the employees of the Gas Company, and a set of carvers from the Wesley choir, of which the bride was a member.

**O'MEARA-STEVENS.**

The marriage of Mr. J. O'Meara, son of Mr. M. O'Meara (Launceston, Tasmania), to Miss Mabel Stevens, daughter of a well-known resident of the Wairarapa, was celebrated at Carterton last week by the Rev. R. Young. Misses Ivy, Olive and Elsie Stevens and Miss M. Tucker were bridesmaids, and the bridegroom was supported by Mr. Jonas, of Masterton, and Mr. J. Baillie (Mayor of Carterton).

**GRACE-CLARKE.**

News has been received in Wellington by cable of the marriage of Mrs. Alice Michell Clarke (widow of the late Professor Michell Clarke) to Mr. John Grace, nephew of the Hon. Dr. Grace, M.L.C., and now his son-in-law also.

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*Society Gossip*

**AUCKLAND.**

Dear Bee,— April 7.

**AUCKLAND TENNIS CLUB**

held their annual "at home" last Wednesday afternoon on their lawn, Grafton road. There was a good attendance, though the weather was bitterly raw and cold—a decided foretaste of the approaching winter. Afternoon tea, accompanied with cakes, jollies, fruit salads and fruits of every description, was served in the pavilion. In the final of the first-class matches Miss Nicholson and Miss Harvey beat Miss Mowbray and Mrs. Coates; in the second class the final round was Misses Metcalf and Coates v. Misses Ireland and Gittos, but we did not wait to see the result, as it was getting late. Mrs. Pasmore, white linen gown, with pink waistband, had swathed with pink silk; Mrs. G. Coates, white pique skirt, white blouse, white hat; Mrs. Mair, black skirt, white blouse, white hat; Miss Coates, holland skirt, white blouse, white hat; Mrs. Grey (Mount Eden), black silk costume, with beading, black bonnet; Miss Grey, dark skirt, hydrangea blue Russian blouse, sailor hat; and her sister wore a dark skirt, darker blue blouse, sailor hat; Mrs. Isidor Alexander, black trained skirt, black and white figured foulard blouse, cream hat with royal blue; Miss Nicholson, black skirt, white blouse, white hat; and her sister wore a dark skirt, mauve plaid blouse, sailor hat; Miss Metcalf, fawn skirt, white blouse, with pink, white hat; Mrs. W. R. Holmes, Lincoln green skirt, white blouse, white hat; Miss Cozen, grey skirt, white blouse, sailor hat; Miss Steel, white pique; Miss Oberlin Brown, black skirt, white blouse, white hat; and her sister, Miss Kitty, holland skirt, white blouse, sailor hat; Miss Sinclair, navy silk, with cream braiding, hat with feathers; Miss Hall, navy skirt, white blouse, sailor hat; Miss Ring, black skirt, white blouse, sailor hat; and her sister wore a black skirt, grey saque jacket, black hat; Miss Pekin, grey skirt, white blouse, sailor hat; Mrs. Palethorpe, white skirt, pink figured blouse, hat with pink; Mrs. W. H. Churton, dark skirt, light blouse, sailor hat; Miss Stewart, white muslin, with blue; Miss J. Ireland, white pique, white hat; Miss Gittos, white skirt, netliotoppe flowered blouse, white hat; Mrs. Cooper, dark skirt, white blouse, white hat; Miss Harvey, black skirt, white blouse, sailor hat; Miss Mowbray, black skirt, white blouse, white hat; Miss Binney, black costume, finished with white, black hat; Miss Kelly, black gown, with braiding, black hat with white flowers; Mrs. Keals, black skirt, white blouse, white hat; Miss Butters, holland skirt, white blouse, black hat with pink flowers and grey veiling; Mrs. Gentles, dark skirt, white blouse, cherry-coloured toque; Miss Prime, white; Mrs. Newell, white skirt, blue blouse, white hat; Mrs. Edmiston, grey camel's hair costume, made with Russian blouse, white vest, hat with feathers; Miss Dargaville, white pique skirt, silk blouse, white hat; Mrs. Jackson, dark skirt, white blouse, white hat; Mrs. Jones, blue and white striped cambrie, white hat; Miss Denniston, white muslin gown, hat with pink flowers; Miss Savage, blue costume, with fawn lace, black hat; Mrs. (Dr.) Lindsay, black skirt, white blouse, golf cape, black hat with plumes; Miss Workman, claret skirt, white blouse, black hat with plumes; Miss Ledingham, bright blue skirt, white blouse, sailor hat; Miss Towle, blue skirt, white blouse, white hat. Mrs. H. Heather and Miss Hull provided the afternoon tea on the Eden and Epsom lawns on Saturday last. There was a large attendance of players. The tea table was picturequely decorated with light blue delphiniums, single yellow dahlias and white China asters; Mrs. W. Aicken, white pique costume, black hat; Mrs. Molginsie, black skirt, green blouse, black hat; Mrs. Fenton,

navy serge costume, black hat; Mrs. E. Heale, black skirt, violet foulard blouse, black hat, with flowers; Mrs. Oldham, black skirt, white blouse, black hat; Mrs. Turner, dark skirt, blue blouse, black hat; Mrs. A. Heather, black voile, black mantle, black bonnet; Mrs. H. Heather, grey skirt, white blouse, white hat; Mrs. —, Heather, black skirt, white blouse, white hat; Mrs. Mair, holland skirt, white blouse, white hat; Mrs. Haultain, black; Mrs. Hudson, dark skirt, light blouse, sailor hat; Miss P. Gorrie, holland skirt, white blouse, white hat; Mrs. Hooper, grey skirt, with black braiding, blue blouse, white hat; Miss Bleazard Brown, dark skirt, white blouse, white hat; and her sister wore a holland skirt, cream blouse, white hat; Mrs. John Dawson, black skirt, tussore silk blouse, black toque; Miss Gwen Gorrie, black skirt, white blouse, hat with silk; Miss Hope Lewis, navy serge; Miss Hull, blue linen skirt, white blouse, white hat; Mrs. Cooke, stylish navy and white striped costume, toque to correspond; Miss Cooke, black skirt, blue figured blouse, dome blue knitted Tam-o-shanter; and her sister wore navy; Miss Trevithick, navy foulard, sailor hat; Miss Bramwell, black skirt, pink flowered blouse, white hat; Miss Oberlin Brown wore a navy foulard; Miss Paton, dark costume; Mrs. Udy, black skirt, navy blouse; Miss D. Udy, holland gown; Miss Stewart, fawn skirt, white blouse, with blue ribbons, white hat; and her sister wore a white dress with pink ribbons, white hat; Miss Coates, holland skirt, white blouse, sailor hat; Miss Rice, holland skirt, pink blouse, sailor hat; Miss Stella Rice, pink linen costume, sailor hat; Miss Towle, dark skirt, light blouse.

Despite the inclemency of the weather in the morning on Saturday it cleared up beautifully in the afternoon. There was a good attendance on the

**PARNELL TENNIS LAWNS.**

The final of the croquet championship doubles came off last week, but on account of some dispute concerning the association rules the match will no doubt have to be played again. Amongst those present were: Mrs. Duthie, black voile skirt, white blouse, black hat; Mrs. Kenderdine, black skirt, white blouse, white hat; Mrs. Ashley Hunter, black skirt, handsomely strapped with black satin, bands, black silk blouse, black hat with white veil; Mrs. E. W. G. Rathbone, black trained costume, with satin strappings, black hat; Mrs. McConnell, pale blue muslin, burnt straw hat; Mrs. Gilles, black silk, black bonnet; Mrs. Thorne-George, very stylish Royal blue bengaline, the skirt was made with tuckings and bands of ceru lace placed perpendicularly from waist to full flounce, bolero, cream lace vest, black hat; Mrs. Colbeck, dark skirt, white blouse, black hat; Mrs. Tewesley, black costume, white collarette and revers, black toque with azure blue silk; Mrs. E. C. Smith, dark skirt, white blouse, black hat; Mrs. Bruce, violet gown, white lace collarette, white hat; Miss White, black skirt, rosewood coloured blouse, black hat; Mrs. Hugh Thompson, black costume, white lace collarette, black hat; Miss Dargaville, white pique skirt, white muslin blouse with lace insertion, Panama hat; Miss Basley, pretty azure blue lined gown, black hat; and her sister wore a black costume, hat with blue forget-me-nots; Mrs. Upfel, black; Mrs. W. Bloomfield, holland skirt, white blouse, white hat; Mrs. Lucas Bloomfield, black skirt, white blouse, hat wreathed with variegated roses; Mrs. Segar, black voile costume, black hat; Miss Frater, black skirt, fawn blouse, black hat; Mrs. Newton, black gown, white lace collarette, black hat; Mrs. C. Brown, Royal blue skirt, white blouse, black hat; Mrs. Colegrove, black skirt, absinth green blouse, black hat.

**AFTERNOON TEA.**

Miss Ethel Mahon, of Mount St. John, Epsom, who is to be married to Mr. H. E. Vaile the third week in April, entertained a number of her friends at an afternoon tea last week. The rooms were prettily decorated with flowers, the tea table in the dining room being particularly pretty, with vases of pink and white cosmos. Delectable dishes of sweets of all descriptions, with the ever-refreshing tea, were handed round. The guests were received by their young hostess, who looked charming in a dainty white silk dress, and was assisted by Mrs. Mahon, who wore black silk, relieved with white. During the afternoon musical items were rendered by some of the guests.

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**ENGAGEMENTS.**

Miss Nora Carr is shortly to be married to Mr Lawrence.

Miss Zeta Aicken is shortly to be married to Mr G. Goldsboro.

The engagement of Miss Edith Bleazard-Brown to Mr Biss is announced.

An engagement between Mr Burn-Murdoch and Miss N. Hunt, Waikato, is announced.

Mr Norman Banks, of Cambridge, is shortly to be married to Miss Isabel McCaw, daughter of Mr John McCaw, Matamata.

**ORANGE BLOSSOMS**

**HUGHES-BROWN.**

The undenominational Church, Hampden, Hawke's Bay, was filled with a large congregation on April 2 for the marriage of Mr James Hughes, late of "The Brow" Station, with Miss Dolly Brown, of Hampden. The wedding party began to arrive at two o'clock, and by the hour fixed for the ceremony nearly every seat in the body of the church was occupied. The bridesmaid looked charming in a dress of white silk trimmed with insertion, and lace round the hem of the skirt, and finished at the waist with a narrow satin sash. She wore a large black hat, covered with chiffon, and carried a bouquet. The bridegroom presented her with a gold and pearl brooch. The bride entered the church, leaning on the arm of her uncle, who gave her away. She was attired in a simply made dress of white silk, with beautiful lace on the bodice, a narrow border of the same lace was laid round the skirt, and she wore a veil to correspond over a few sprays of orange blossoms. The bridegroom was attended by Mr Walter Arrowood, as best man. The Rev H. P. Cowx performed the ceremony. Later in the afternoon the young couple took their departure for Wanganui.

