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**ENGAGEMENTS.**

The engagement is announced of Mr. Newell Lusk, Parnell, to Miss Frieda Lawler, Thames.

Miss Gladys Beale, eldest daughter of Mr. John Beale, Parnell, is engaged to Mr. McWilliams, curate of St. Mary's, Parnell.

Miss Kate Buchanan, of Gladstone road, Parnell, is to be married to Mr. Woodhouse, stationmaster at the Thames, at the end of this month.

**ORANGE BLOSSOMS**

YOUNG—FAIR.

A wedding which has been looked forward to with more than usual interest eventuated at St. John's Church recently, when Mr J. C. Young, who has recently returned on holiday leave after three years' sojourn in South Africa, was married to Miss Teresa Fair, daughter of Mr J. W. Fair, of Westport. The trouble expended on the church decorations, and the eagerness of the crowd that thronged the church and its vicinity were evidence of the exceptional popularity of the young couple. The bride, who was given away by her father, looked very winsome in a lovely dress of white satin, the court train of which was festooned with chiffon and orange blossom, and the bodice beautifully trimmed with ruffled chiffon and point lace. An embroidered tulle veil, fastened by a spray of orange blossom, and a bouquet of cosmos and chrysanthemums completed a charming costume. The two senior bridesmaids, Miss J. Fair and Miss Nosworthy (Blenheim), wore blue silk dresses, trimmed with Paris insertion and finished with collars and under-sleeves of Breton net, and large black crinoline straw hats with black plumes. They also wore gold bangles, the bridegroom's gifts, and carried particularly pretty bouquets presented by Mrs Harden. The two tiny bridesmaids, Misses E. Fair and K. Boswell, were very dainty in white silk frocks and Dutch bonnets. They carried floral baskets and wore gold bouquets, given by the bridegroom. Mr G. Young acted as best man and Mr J. Fair as groomsmen. Mrs Fair (the bride's mother) wore a handsome black silk gown, trimmed with silk Maltese lace, and a large black hat with violets; Mrs R. A. Young (mother of the bride-

groom) looked very well in black silk, relieved with violet, and black hat with autumn leaves; while Mrs Henry Young, of Greymouth, in a purple dress with touches of black on the bodice, and toque to match, looked agreeably noticeable. Among the guests were Mrs Boswell, in grey voile costume and black and pink toque; Mrs Robinson (Wellington), in red cloth costume and black hat with feathers; Miss Falla, in cream voile and lace, draped toque; Mrs Sinclair, in black dress with Paris lace front, and large black hat; Miss Sinclair, whose beautifully embroidered muslin dress and black chiffon hat was reminiscent of summer; Miss Kettle (Greymouth), in handsome black costume and unique embroidered chiffon toque; Mesdames Murdoch, Marris, Enright, Hughes, J. Suisted, E. Suisted, Dart, Cattrell, Bailie, Dalglish, Sontgen, Weston, Ewan, Furneaux, Pain, Riley, Struthers, Taylor, Miss Trumble, Messrs R. A. Young, H. Young, E. Young, R. Falla, Lowrey, Dart, E. Suisted, Weston, Enright, Townson, Boswell, Dr. Mackenzie, and many others. After the ceremony the guests assembled at the residence of the bride's parents, where good wishes were expressed and the usual toasts honoured. In the evening Mrs Fair entertained one hundred and fifty young people at a dance in the Princess Theatre, where all had a thoroughly good time. Mr and Mrs J. C. Young leave on Saturday for Wellington, en route for South Africa, where their future home is to be. The bride's travelling dress was blue cloth with white chiffon front, and her hat of handsome blue velvet, trimmed with ospreys and lace. The presents were most numerous and suitable, the chief being: From the bridegroom to the bride, gold granny chain with greenstone heart pendant; from the bride to the bridegroom, silver-mounted walking-stick and silver-backed brushes; father of the bride, table silver and cheque; mother of bride, household linen; Miss J. Fair, point lace collar and prayer-book; Mr G. Fair, breakfast cruet; Mr J. Fair, cheque; Mr Chas. Fair, cheque; Messrs E. and A. Fair, silver toast rack; Mr and Mrs R. A. Young, inlaid table of N.Z. Woods and greenstone carver rests; Mr and Mrs H. A. Young, silver entree dish; Messrs H. A. and H. R. Young, South Africa, cheques; Mr G. Young, silver-mounted bread plate and knife; Mr A. Young, silver card tray; Mr H. Young, silver thimble; Mrs W. Robinson (Wellington), silver sugar basin; Master H. Young (Greymouth), silver jewel case; Mrs McArdle, oak and silver tray and silver teapot; Miss M. Nosworthy (Blenheim), silver trinket box; Mrs Coleridge Farr (Christchurch), table centre; Miss Taylor (Bulls), cushion cover; Mr and Mrs E. B. Boswell, three volumes songs; Mr and Mrs Townson ebony backed brushes and pillow shams; Miss L. Townson, scent bottle; Westport Musical Club, oak and silver biscuit barrel; Mr and Mrs Enright, oak and silver salad bowl; Mr and Mrs Kettle (Greymouth), breakfast set; Miss Kettle, painting; Mr and Mrs Weston, greenstone and silver bread server; Mr and Mrs Harden, greenstone pendant; Miss Brown, greenstone heart; Mr and Mrs Bailie, afternoon teaspoons; Mrs Hughes, greenstone brooch; Mrs J. Suisted, greenstone pendant; Mr and Mrs Dart, book; Mr A. Wilson, Moore's poems; Mr and Mrs F. Munro, oak and silver butter dish; Mr E. Young, twelve photos; Mr R. Whyte, view of West Coast; Miss Kiely, card case; Mr F. Herring (Charleston), oil painting; Mrs Lander, silver toast rack; Miss Higgins, silver candlesticks; Miss Smith, silver-mounted card case; Mrs Dalglish, painting; Mr and Mrs E. Suisted, silver and greenstone salt spoons; Mr E. Nahr, pair photo frames; Miss Murdoch, painting; Mr and Mrs Neve, crumpled tray and brush; Mrs Sinclair, Tennison's poems; Miss Sinclair, picture; Mr Graham, serviette rings; Mrs McRae (Nelson), silver mustard pot; Messrs J. and T. Enright, electric torch light; Mrs W. Snodgrass, honey jar; Dr. Simpson, silver and crystal jam dishes; Mr and Mrs Pain, salad bowl; Dr. Mackenzie, silver nut dish; Mr Slachan, silver hot-water jug; Captain and Mrs Furneaux, case of silver spoons; Mr and Mrs Gardner (Grey-mouth), greenstone bread fork; Messrs Roche, oak tray; Misses Atchison, lemonade jug and glasses; Miss Sontgen, photo stand; Mr and Mrs W. Bright, biscuit barrel; Mrs C. Malfroy (Hokitika), silver-backed brush and button book; Mr Norris (Charleston), silver jam dish; Mr and Mrs Cattrell, cream and sugar stand; Misses Hay Mackenzie, oak tray; Mrs Struthers, pickle jar; Miss Snodgrass, afternoon teaspoons; Mr and Mrs Kell-

ing, silver scent bottle; Mr I. Slee, silver inkstand; Miss Riley, plaque; Miss Falla, ash tray; Mr and Mrs Riley, salt cellar; Miss Mackay, set of brushes; Mrs Castle (Wellington), table centre; Miss Whyte, silver and ruby jam dishes; Mr and Mrs Rogers (Dannevirke), silver serviette rings; Mr and Mrs W. Blaxall, silver-mounted cut-glass vases; Miss H. Richardson, silver and ruby sugar basin; Mrs Boswell, sen., Wedgwood hot-water jug; Mrs Kane, silver hot-water kettle; Mr J. O'Kane (Wellington), set of carvers; Mr Kempton (Hongkong), silver-mounted pearl shells; Mr and Mrs Price, silver jam spoons; Mr Lowrey, gold curb bangle; Misses Lempfert, song book; Misses Greenland, butter knives; Mr and Mrs J. Powell, sugar basin and spoon; Captain and Mrs Ewan, glass and silver butter dish; Miss Gallagher, silver bread server; Miss M. Gardner, salt spoons; Miss Hannigan, hairpin box; Mrs Hatch, pin cushion; Misses McLean, silver shoe horn and button hooks; Miss Joyce, silver manicure set; Mr and Mrs J. Marris, silver cake forks, in case; Miss V. Marris, silver jewel case; Miss Kerr, silver powder bottle; Mr Falla, half dozen silver serviette rings; Mr and Miss Bird, sugar basin; Mr and Mrs Murdoch, greenstone and silver jam spoon.

**REECE—WALKER.**

There was a very pretty wedding lately at Awhitu, when Mr James Reece was married to Miss Ellen Walker, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs T. H. Walker, of Awhitu. The Rev. C. F. R. Harrison, of Holy Trinity, Waiuku, performed the ceremony, at "Corvey," the residence of Capt. Bollens, the bride's uncle. The bride, who was given away by her father, looked pretty in her handsome

gown. She carried a lovely bouquet of white chrysanthemums, Christmas roses, and maidenhair fern. The two bridesmaids were Miss May Walker and Miss Emily Bollens, who were exceedingly well dressed, both alike. Mr Ed. Reece acted as best man. After the ceremony about 22 invited guests sat down to a sumptuous meal, where hearty toasts were given for the future happiness of the young couple. Then followed some good musical pieces and songs. Miss Cruickshank was at the piano, Mr T. H. Walker played the violin, and Mr Thomas Walker the clarinet. The music was well appreciated. The younger folks had an enjoyable dance, which lasted till the small hours in the morning. Mr and Mrs Reece left by the s.s. Weka for Auckland on their honeymoon trip, amidst the hearty congratulations of a large number of friends, cheers being given for the future prosperity of the bride and bridegroom.

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