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Dear Bee, June 28.
A DELIGHTFUL BALL

(given by the Waipawa Rifle Volunteers) took place at Waipawa on the 18th inst., and was attended by the principal families of the neighbourhood. The rooms were decorated with great taste. The music was supplied by Miss A. Boyle (piano) and Mr J. Petess (organist). All the arrangements were carried out under the supervision of Captain H. C. Collett and an excellent committee of ladies. Amongst those present were: Mesdames Hamlin, Todd, Collett, Ross, H. M. Rathbone, Peters, Lowe, Downer, Misses Todd, Tansley, Adams, Mabin, Reed, Watts, Boyle, Peacock, Stafford, McKenzie, Rosser, Rose, Percy, Robinson, Leech, etc. Extra dances were played by the Misses Tansley, Moroney, O. Todd, and Mr E. Pettitt.

A large number of people was present AT THE GOLF LINKS

on Saturday, and afternoon tea was given by Miss Ormond. Amongst the visitors were Mesdames Perry, Coleman, Cato, Cargill, Smith, Hoadley, Tabuteau, Misses Hoadley, Davis, Todd, Coleman, Chapman, Rutherford, Kirk, etc. The ladies played for a prize given by Mrs Gordon, and this was won by Miss McLean, 77-10-67.

The Tuesday evening LECTURE AT THE ATRENAEUM

was given this week by Mr W. Dinwiddie. There was a large attendance, and the lecture, the subject of which was "Shakespeare, the Man," was most interesting. Next week an address entitled "An Evening with Dickens and Thackeray," will be given by Mr Cargill.

St. Andrew's Hall, Port Ahuriri, was well filled on the evening of the 24th inst., when the Cathedral choir gave an EXCELLENT CONCERT

in aid of the funds of St. Andrew's Church. Miss Adele King, who was as usual much applauded, sang "Slumber Sea," when the audience demanded an encore. Miss Williams also responded to the calls for an encore after her song "Star of Bethlehem." Mr C. Margoliouth played an andante on the violin in his most finished style, and "The Longshoreman," by Mr C. Ellis, was also very good. The Cathedral choir charmed all with their part songs. An item in the programme which was of great interest to many was the trio by Misses King, Bishop, and Mr Sharp, of "Ti Pego." A delightful song, "The Friar of Orders Grey," was given by Mr Longworth. At the end of the programme votes of thanks were passed to Mr Sharp and the choir by the Rev. O. Dean and Captain Botham.

The weather was very wet and unpromising for the Winter Meeting of the Hawke's Bay Jockey Club at Hastings, nevertheless there was a fair at-

tendance. One of the great events of the day was the ladies' bracket race, which was won by Apres. During the afternoon Sir William Russell presented the trophy to Mrs Rathbone, the owner of the horse, amidst hearty cheers.

MARJORIE.

WANGANUI.

Dear Bee, June 25.
On Friday afternoon Mrs and Miss Alexander

GAVE AN "AT HOME"

at their residence in Victoria Avenue to meet Mrs and Miss Phillips (Canterbury). Mrs Alexander received her guests in a handsome black silk bengaline costume, the skirt having a long train, and the bodice draped with exquisite lace. Amongst those present were Mesdames Phillips, Barnicoat, Moore, Grieg, G. Marshall, Eyre-Kenny, Watson, Krull, H. Sarjeant, Innes, and the Misses Phillips, Barnicoat, Jackson, Krull, and others.

A MOST ENJOYABLE DANCE

was given by Mrs McDonnell, Wickstead-street, on Friday, 19th, about ninety guests being present. Her large drawing-room and dining-room had the folding doors removed, and was used for dancing, the floor being perfect; in the spacious hall a delicious and dainty supper was laid out, the table decorations consisting of vine leaves, shaded in the most exquisite autumn tints. The verandah was completely covered in, carpeted and illuminated with Chinese lanterns, and converted into a drawing-room, with numerous easy chairs and sofas. The evening being chilly, it was an ideal night for a dance. Many pretty and effective costumes were worn. Dancing was indulged in till a late hour. Mrs McDonnell wore a handsome black silk, relieved with cream lace; Miss McDonnell, pale blue silk, trimmed with silvery tinsel, trained skirt, shirred round the waist; Miss Hilda McDonnell, white silk frock with numerous frills and lace trimmings; Mrs Lomax, black silk frock, the corsage ornamented with Oriental embroidery; Mrs Craig, bridal gown of rich cream silk, profusely draped with lace; Mrs Barnicoat, black and white striped silk costume, trimmed with Limerick lace; Mrs Phillips (Canterbury), black tuckered silk skirt, Oriental shaded silk blouse; Mrs John Stevenson, black silk gown, veiled with Brussels net having a large spot on it, black velvet corsage with numerous net frills and handkerchief sleeves, crimson flowers in coiffure; Mrs James Watt, pretty pale pink silk, crepe-de-chine sounces, cream lace trimmings; Mrs Gifford Marshall, black tuckered silk skirt, blue silk blouse, veiled with black lace; Mrs S. Gordon, black silk costume; Miss Morecroft, effective white muslin frock, the skirt composed of numerous frills, edged with black velvet ribbon; Miss Pickering, black silk gown; Miss F. Morecroft, white tuckered

Liberty silk with insertion and lace; Miss O. Hickson, terra cotta flowered smalin; Miss Phillips (Canterbury) wore a becoming gown of white silk; Miss Barnicoat, pale pink silk, veiled with accordion-pleated grey silk voile, the corsage prettily made with a wide cape effect, sprays of pink roses and pink in coiffure; Miss Anderson, cream brocade with true lover's knots, trimmed with lace; her sister wore a pink silk costume with flowers to correspond; Miss Dodgshun, black satin, relieved with white; Miss Ethel Christie, cream silk gown, trimmed with rosettes of turquoise blue velvet ribbon and bolero of cream net, the corsage with blue velvet shoulder straps; Miss Jones, black mervelux frock, ornamented with jet; Miss Baker, heliotrope silk; Miss Page, black silk with herthe of Honiton lace; Miss Ranson, white frilled silk, trimmed with cream lace and insertion, crimson rose in front of corsage; Miss Montgomerie, black silk frock, relieved with white; Miss Nellie Cowper, black silk; Miss Gresson, pale pink, trimmed with black velvet and cream lace; Miss Jackson, black silk with black velvet shoulder straps and white chiffon; Miss Jessie Marshall wore a stylish costume of pale blue silk, numerous frills, edged with cream lace and insertion; Miss Borlase, black satin gown. Also present: Messrs C. Wilson (Mangamahua), Wood (2), Dr. Barnard, L. Stedman, Laidlaw, Houston, Gordon, Craig, Lomax, Featherstone G. Saunders, Blackmore, Hatherley, Stevenson, Fowler (England), Izard, Fairburn, Van Aech (Waitotara), Brandon, Higginson (Wellington), Blair (2), Harold, Jardine, Dodgshun, Montgomerie, and others.

On Friday evening, at the Museum Hall, the pupils of Mrs Newcombe gave

A CONCERT

to a large audience of invited friends, and received the certificates obtained by them at the local examinations in music of the Royal Academy of Music and

Trinity College. Dr Hatherley presented the certificates and prizes during the interval.

The weather was perfect on Saturday, June 13, for

THE FOOTBALL MATCHES

between representatives from Te Aute (Hawke's Bay) and Wanganui Colleges, consequently the attendance was large. Fully 2000 persons must have been present on the Collegiate School grounds by the time the senior match commenced. In the junior match the visitors had a considerable advantage, and the game resulted in Te Aute 14 points, Collegiate School nil. The senior match was splendidly contested, the visitors scoring 11 points to Wanganui's 8 points. Amongst the onlookers I noticed Mrs Logan (Napier), grey tweed coat and skirt, black hat with velvet; Mrs Barnicoat, dark heliotrope cloth skirt, Louis coat of astrakhan, grey fur collar, black velvet hat with black plumes; Mrs Phillips (Canterbury), navy blue cloth costume, Russian blouse, large blue velvet collar, blue felt hat with black velvet and shaded green bird and wings; Mrs Montgomerie, black skirt, handsome velvet mantle with applique, black bonnet with crimson and gold; Miss Barnicoat, electric blue hopsack, capes piped with blue satin of a darker shade, white felt hat with velvet and wings; Miss Harrison, navy blue cloth gown strapped with silk, Russian blouse, blue felt hat with velvet and birds; Mrs (Dr) Bey (Greytown), navy blue cloth costume with

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