

ding party adjourned to "Trecearne," where a recherche wedding breakfast was partaken of, after which the happy couple left by the midday train for Auckland en route to Dunedin, where the honeymoon will be spent. The bride's going-away dress was an exceedingly pretty heliotrope voile and black picture hat.

CLAYTON--HERRICHL

A pretty wedding took place at St. Barnabas' Church, Mt. Eden, Auckland, on October 14, when Mr. F. A. Clayton, only son of Mr. H. R. Clayton, of Invercargill, was married to Miss Hilda F. Herrich, daughter of Mr. J. G. C. Herrich, of Auckland. The bride looked charming in a trained dress of white thin silk, elaborately trimmed with Valenciennes lace and insertion, and accordion-pleated chiffon. She wore a beautiful veil of old Limerick lace, the gift of the bridegroom's grandmother, a coronet of orange blossoms, and carried a lovely shower bouquet. She was attended by her sister (Miss Daisy Herrich) and Miss Mary Jones (of Arahapua) as bridesmaids. They were dressed in dainty blue and pink French muslins respectively, trimmed with Valenciennes lace and insertion, and hats to match. They also wore gold brooches, the gifts of the bridegroom. The bride's travelling costume was of dark blue cloth, with vest of white satin and guipure insertion, and she wore a black Torcadore hat. Mr. T. E. West (Dunedin), acted as best man, and Mr. G. W. Herrich as groomsmen. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. W. E. Lush, an old friend of both the bride and bridegroom. A number of friends were afterwards entertained at the residence of the bride's parents, "Korimako," View-road, Mt. Eden. The happy couple were the recipients of a large number of beautiful and costly presents and congratulatory telegrams. They left last week by the s.s. Ngapuhi for their future home in Marton.

MACKAY--BLICK.

A very pretty wedding was celebrated at St. Michael's Church, Christchurch, on October 7, when Mr. G. Mackay, of Nelson, was married to Miss Isabel Blick, youngest daughter of the late Mr. W. Blick, of Blenheim, and step-daughter of Mr. James Sinclair, of Christchurch. The Ven. Archdeacon Averill officiated. The bride looked charming in a lovely gown of white merveilleux and chiffon, with beautifully embroidered tulle veil fastened with orange blossoms, and carried an exquisite shower bouquet. She was attended by a little page as train bearer (Master B. Strain), in blue velvet faced with white satin, Honiton lace collar and cuffs, and two bridesmaids, the Misses F. Macbean Stewart and J. Olney, who wore white voile gowns, beautifully fagotted with white silk and trimmed with pink Oriental embroidery, pink silk waist belts, cream straw hats with cream lace and pink silk trimming, and shower bouquets of cream and pink roses. They wore turquoise and pearl brooches, the gift of the bridegroom. Mr. J. U. Collins was best man, and Mr. A. Adams groomsmen. The guests after the ceremony were entertained at the Art Gallery by Mr and Mrs James Sinclair, a very large number being present. Mrs Sinclair wore a handsome gown of black brocade, trimmed with ficelle lace and silver sequins, toque to match, and carried a lovely bouquet; Mrs Matheson, (aunt of the bride) wore black, relieved with heliotrope; Mrs Atkinson (aunt of the bride), black costume, with touches of pink; Miss Blick black voile, relieved with pale blue; Miss F. Blick, very pretty pale blue voile, hat to match, with cream lace; Mrs Strain, pale grey cloth, pretty toque to match; Mrs Diamond, a lovely gown of pale grey voile, with cream lace vest and undersleeves; Mrs Mickle, light brown cloth, hat relieved with pale blue; Mrs Manning, fawn dress, trimmed with white; Dr. and Mrs Macbean Stewart, Mrs Patterson, Mrs Averill, Rev. and Mrs Dunne, Mr and Miss Connell, Misses Manning (2), Way, Muter, Colborne-Veal, Bowker, Croxson, Kohn, Mrs Olney, Mr and Mrs H. C. Godfrey, Miss L. Hodgson, etc. The presents, which were very numerous and handsome, included much silver and several cheques. The bride's going away dress was of blue voile, with Oriental trimming of blue and green, floral toque to match.

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Dear Bee, October 20.

AT THE THEATRE.

It is a long time since I have enjoyed myself so much at the theatre as I did last week at Arizona. The company is an exceptionally strong one, and the play itself a decided improvement upon those we have been seeing lately. Even if there were no acting, one would be quite satisfied to sit and look at Miss Van Buren, who is sweetly pretty, and who dresses beautifully too. If you have an opportunity of seeing Arizona, be sure you don't miss it, as I am sure you will enjoy it as much as I did. There were numbers of people there we know, and amongst them I noticed the following: Mrs. Brigham wore a very handsome black silk gown; Miss Brigham, pretty white voile skirt, ivory satin blouse, inserted with Paris lace; Miss Ella Brigham, white skirt, dainty pink silk blouse; Miss Leys, black skirt, lovely pale green silk blouse, finished with lace; Miss Dawson, black skirt, pretty white silk blouse, trimmed with insertion; Miss Muriel Dawson, black skirt, dainty white evening blouse; Mrs. (Dr.) Lewis, black gown, lovely electric blue cloth opera coat; Miss Eileen Lewis, black satin, with pale blue ribbon in coiffure; Mrs. Russell, pale sea green silk gown, trimmed with lace and velvet of darker shade; Mrs. Smith, white silk, finished with lace and satin bands; Mrs. Tevsey, very handsome maize coloured broadened silk; Mrs. Holmes, heliotrope glaze silk, trimmed with Paris tinted lace; Mrs. Friend, pretty black and blue gown; Miss May White, dainty pale blue frock; Miss George, black evening gown, with lovely black satin opera coat; Miss Zoe George, black, with pretty crimson opera coat; Miss Williams, black skirt, dainty white satin blouse; Mrs. Louis Myers, rich black silk, with handsome black and white opera coat; Mrs. Dr. Collins, black evening gown; Mrs. (Dr.) De Clive Lowe, black skirt, lovely pink blouse, finished with lace, and narrow black velvet ribbon; Mrs. Bull, black silk; Mrs. Birch, long grey cloth opera coat, black frock; Mrs. O'Rorke, white evening gown, lovely pink opera jacket; Miss Beale, black skirt, white silk blouse, with pretty lace collar; Miss Esther Beale, pretty white silk frock; Mrs. Gillilan, black silk, with ecrú insertion; Miss Dagmar Gillilan, soft white silk frock, with touches of black on bodice; Mrs. Ross, black skirt, pretty white blouse; Miss Lusk, black skirt, white blouse, with ecrú lace collar; Miss O. Lusk, black skirt, dainty white silk blouse; Mrs. Lewis, handsome black broadened silk gown, with white chiffon bos; Miss Dolly Davis, black skirt, white satin blouse, pretty pink opera coat; Mrs. Carrick, black with transparent lace yoke, long grey opera coat with black fur trimmings; Mrs. Archie Clarke, pale grey, finished with ecrú lace and cream Brussels net; Mrs. Nathan, black gown with berthe and stole ends of cream lace, lovely black and white broadened opera coat; Mrs Dillingham wore a handsome

black gown; and her little daughter looked sweet in white and pale blue; Mrs W. Philson, black and white; Mrs Clem Lawford, black skirt, pretty pink satin blouse; Miss Feuton, white satin blouse, old rose skirt; Miss Lewis, black skirt, pretty white blouse with red roses; Mrs George, handsome black silk gown; Mrs Colbeck, black ecrú de Chine blouse, black shirred skirt; Mrs Nathan, black skirt, lovely blue glaze silk blouse; Mrs Laird, black with pretty pale grey opera coat, trimmed with Oriental embroidery; Miss Maudie Nicholl, dainty pale blue gown with lace trimmings; Miss Annie Nicholl wore a very pretty white frock and crimson opera coat; Mrs (Dr.) Inglis, black satin, the square-cut corsage outlined with turquoise velvet; Mrs Myers was in black silk; Miss Myers, white silk with spray of pink roses on corsage; Miss E. Myers, black, relieved with pale blue; Mrs Hadley, very pretty white jewelled net gown with black velvet trimmings; Mrs Firth, black gown with square-cut neck; Mrs (Dr.) Shanman also wore black; Mrs A. B. Reynolds, black gown; Mrs R. M. Watt, blue blouse and Paris net coffee jacket, black skirt; Mrs McCosh Clark, black evening gown; Mrs Paton, black gown; Miss McCosh Clark looked pretty in pale blue; Miss M. Cotter, dainty light evening dress and crimson theatre cloak; Miss W. Cotter, Nil green silk and lace; Mrs (Dr.) Parkes, handsome light gown with pink and blue chon; Mrs Duffie, white silk gown with pale blue ribbon threaded through her hair.

If ping-pong has become a 'vanishing craze' the enjoyable dance which was held on October 16th to celebrate the termination of

THE KIA ORA PING-PONG CLUB, at any rate proves that it is a means to an end," writes a Thames correspondent. "The interior of the hall was beautifully decorated with an abundance of ferns, lycopodium and arum lilies. The committee are to be congratulated on the success of their arrangements, a special word of praise being due to Miss Jephson (secretary) and Mr. Thompson. The supper was dainty, the table being decorated with the club's colours, blue and old gold. The music was perfect, and so was the floor. During the evening Dr. Lapraik presented the winners of the season's tournaments with their well-merited trophies, and recognising that "brevity is the soul of wit" soon disposed of them in a few complimentary remarks. Miss Inez Read was the recipient of an autograph album (presented by the club); Miss Maribel Lawlor, a gold brooch, with sapphire centre (Mr. Hallis' donation); Miss Eva Gillespie, combined purse and card case, silver mounted (Mr. Ryan's gift); and Mr. F. Carpenter, a tobacco pouch (by the club), and handsome pair of gold sleeve links, given by the president, Mr. McCullough. Mr. Carpenter, on behalf of himself and the lady recipients, thanked the club and the donors. Amongst the ladies present were: Mrs. Wright, in a rich black merveilleux, draped with chiffon and lace; Mrs. Read, handsome black voile, profusely tucked and outlined in silk guipure; Mrs. Jephson, black velvet, frilled with black lace and sleeves of the same; Mrs. Collier, black satin, the bodice veiled in tulle; Mrs. Ryan, black silk and jet; Miss Jephson looked nice in a white book muslin, frilled and tucked, coat of white figured net, finished off with wide silk Maltese lace; Miss Betty Jephson (debutante) wore a dainty frock of soft white silk, shirred at intervals, and much befrilled, white ribbon in coiffure; Miss E. Walker, cream broadened silk skirt, with net frills, headed with ribbon, spangled net bodice; Miss Haszard (Waikato), cream silk, transparent lace yoke; Miss A. Adams, green gauze and chiffon; Miss E. Bagnall (Turua), white muslin over vieux rose; Miss Edwards, black velvet, transparent yoke and sleeves and chiffon rosettes; Miss Williams, cream silk and

old gold poppies; Miss Read, white silk, blue chon; Miss Inez Read, white silk, tucked and trimmed with clumpigunge insertion; Miss Baker, yellow silk; Miss Bertha Baker, white silk, with frills and red geraniums; Miss Maribel Lawlor wore a becoming white silk, with tucked frills and inset insertion; Miss West, white silk blouse, with chiffon collar, black skirt; Miss Hilda West, becoming white silk; Miss Dunster, cream silk blouse and black voile skirt; Miss Me-Watters, elaborately tucked white silk, lavishly trimmed with lace; Miss E. Gillespie, pretty white silk, with handkerchief blouse and lace edging; Miss Lucas, primrose silk, lace coat; Miss Law (debutante), dainty white silk, shirred and tucked; Miss Bell looked graceful in white silk, severely cut and outlined in insertion. Amongst the gentlemen I noticed Dr. Lapraik, Messrs. Murphy, Hague-Smith, Thompson, Carpenter, Reid, Braid, Gillespie, West, Sullivan, Ryan, Williams, Gossman, Woods, Nicol and Osborne (Turua).

SHAKESPEARE SOCIETY RECITAL.

The closing recital of the present season was given by the Shakespeare Society in the lecture room of the Y.M.C.A. on Tuesday evening, October 13th, before a crowded and fashionable audience. Such excellent renderings rightly deserve the support and patronage they have received, which should encourage the society to continue its efforts next season. The play selected for this performance was "Hamlet," and the cast: Claudius, King of Denmark, Mr. B. McVeagh; Hamlet, son of the late King, Mr. Eved Earl; ghost of Hamlet's father, Mr. W. R. Walker; Polonius, Lord Chamberlain, Rev. W. Jellie; Horatio, friend to Hamlet, Mr. H. Herbert; Laertes, son to Polonius, Mr. R. H. A. Potter; Marcellus (an officer), A. Player, First Gravedigger, Mr. Montague; Second Gravedigger, Mr. E. W. G. Rathbone; Bernardo (an officer), Messenger, Mr. R. A. Singer; Francisco, a soldier, Rev. W. Jellie; Gertrude, Queen of Denmark, and mother to Hamlet, Mrs. Ockendon; Ophelia, daughter to Polonius, Mrs. Kekwick. Some: Denmark, Mrs. Kekwick looked pretty in a flowing white crepe de Chine. Miss Ockendon wore a black evening gown, with white lace berthe caught with crimson and white roses; Mrs. E. Sanderson, green gown, adorned with lace; Mrs. Henry Wilson, black satin skirt and black velvet Monte Carlo jacket; Mrs. Davis, black gown, and black and blue cloak; Mrs. Ashley Hunter looked remarkably well in black; Miss Ivy Buddle wore a graceful black Louise silk gown, with Paris point lace pelerine; Miss Pews, black gown and white lace collar, caught with blue chon; Mrs. J. W. Tibbs, red silk blouse, with cream lace collar, black silk skirt; Miss Violet Tibbs, white silk blouse, with crimson chon, crimson skirt; Mrs. A-liton Bruce, black evening gown, adorned with white lace, red theatre cloak; Miss Savage, blue silk blouse and white lace collar, darker skirt; Miss Gorrie, white and blue; Miss Lucas wore a lovely white brocade, with white lace berthe and pink roses; Mrs. W. R. Walker, black and white striped silk; Miss Walker, white silk and ecrú lace; Mrs. Wm. Gorrie, black voile, strapped with glaze silk and black applique; Mrs.

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