Shantung and violet hat; Mrs. Hughes, striped linen tailor-made and black hat.

New arrivals in Wellington are: Mrs. and Mrs. Leonard Tripp, who came out from England in the Malwa. It will be remembered that Mrs. Leonard Tripp was formerly Miss Geraldine Henry, and her marriage with Mr. Tripp was celebrated in England a few months ago.

The Medical Conference.

Apparently there is no end to the entertainments which are to relieve the hard work at the Medical Conference next week. The Wellington centre is giving two "At Homes"—one at Day's Bay on Tuesday, and the other at Trentham on Thursday. There is also to be an official reception by the Mayor, and another by the President (Dr. Purdy). Then Dr. and Mrs. Young are giving a dance, preceded by amateur theatricals—the latter being got up by Miss E. Watson and Miss R. Simpson. In between there will be sandwiched various private affairs, the visiting ladies being particularly well looked after. A special "At Home" will be given for them by the members of the Pioneer Club.

Victoria League.

Next Monday week the Victoria League are having an "At Home" to enable people to meet Miss Talbot, the London secretary. A few days later there will be another gathering, this time with His Excellency the Governor in the chair, when Miss Talbot will explain the aims and objects of the league. The meeting will be a public one, and has been arranged by Miss Talbot's express desire. Miss Olive Godwin was hostess at a very enjoyable little tea on Tuesday, when several members of the Williamson Company were among the guests. Miss Godwin wore a Princess lingerie robe with elaborate appliques of lace, big black hat with plumes; Miss Dorothy Court was wearing lotus blue Shantung smartly braided, and a blue hat; Mrs. Frank Greene (Miss Lottie Sargent), pink linen tailor-made and black hat with roses; Mrs. Bert Gilbert, grey Sicilienne and black hat; Mrs. Tewsley wore pale blue Sicilienne, the long coat having more revers, pale blue hat with plumes; Miss Tewsley, striped linen tailor-made and black hat; Mrs. Corliss, grey Shantung and hat with roses; Mrs. Findlay, blue voile with guimpe of broderie Anglaise and a blue hat.

Engineers' House-warming.

There were about four hundred guests at the Marine Engineers' Institute on Tuesday, when the members gave their house-warming party. A very fine building it is, and the furnishing is both artistic and comfortable, while the view from the promenade roof is excellent. Tea tables up there were greatly appreciated on the opening day, and to many of the guests it was quite a novelty. The library was used for refreshments, the decorations being of red sweet peas. The Hon. J. Millar, who performed the opening ceremony, was accompanied by Miss Millar, the latter wearing a lingerie robe of lawn and lace and a hat with roses. Mrs. Darling wore peacock blue charmeuse, the yoke of fine black Chantilly lace, and a black hat; Mrs. A. R. Hislop was in black and white ninon, and a black toque.

Educational Conference.

Various entertainments have been given in honour of the visiting delegates of the Education Conference, which has been sitting here this week. An "At Home" by Mr. Hogben (Inspector-General of Schools) and Mrs. Hogben was followed a few days later by an evening party at the residence of Mr. W. Gray, who is head of the Training College here.

NEW ZEALAND IN LONDON.

SUCCESSFUL "CINDERELLA" DANCE.

(By Our Lady Correspondent.)

LONDON, January 14.

The annual "Cinderella" dance of the New Zealand Association took place last night in the Crown-room of the Holborn Restaurant. About seventy couples were present—many well-known New Zealanders among the number—and the entertainment was a splendid success.

Mrs. Hall-Jones, wife of the High Commissioner, very kindly acted as hostess, and received the guests in the reception-room at the entrance to the Crown-room.

Mr. C. Wray Palliser made a capital host, and the undoubted success of the evening was due to his unremitting attention to all the guests.

Mrs. Hall-Jones wore a gown of cream lace over eau de nil silk with pearl and greenstone ornaments. She was accompanied by Miss Hall-Jones, who looked very charming in a beautiful frock of shell pink charmeuse, veiled in chiffon of the same shade, and trimmed with black iridiscent trimming and Limerick lace.

Mrs. Palliser, accompanied by her two daughters and her young son, was in black glace, with an overdress of net embroidered in sequin, with which she wore diamond ornaments.

Miss Palliser wore a white satin Empire dress with a silver overdress, and had a silver turban ribband; her sister was in an ivory satin Princess frock with a yoke garniture of crystal and gold, and wore a gold tissue bandeau in her hair.

Other New Zealanders present were: Dr. and Mrs. Parkinson (late of Christchurch), and their midshipman son. Mrs Parkinson wore a graceful gown of black crepe de chine trimmed with sequins and jewelled net, and with a bandeau of gold tissue in her hair.

Miss Lizzie Shand, of Dunedin, in pale pink crepe de chene, the bodice trimmed with aluminium lace and insertion; Miss Simpson, of Christchurch, in pink charmeuse, the bodice draped with real lace, turquoise ornaments; Miss Berry, cream charmeuse, with a wide berthe of Irish lace; Miss Herrick, rose-pink satin trimmed with Limerick lace; Miss Laing and Miss Mollie Laing, of Wellington, were both in white silk, one wearing a rose velvet bandeau, the other a silver tissue ribband; Miss Dall (Dunedin), in white charmeuse, trimmed with lace, she wore a belt spray of crimson roses; Mrs Mason, in bright flame colour chiffon, with a Princess tunic of black sequins, a hair bandeau of flame-coloured velvet; Mrs Witt, of Auckland, in black silk, with a white feather boa; Miss Ivy Witt, in white ninon over white silk, with trimmings of pale blue; Mrs Michael (Dunedin) in a black spangled frock; Mrs Abbott, a charming gown of black and white lace, the bodice jewelled with irridescent embroidery; Miss Davis, white crepe de chene, with silver bugle trimming, silver cord and tassels in her hair; Mrs Foden (Timaru), pink and white foulard, handsomely trimmed lace; Mrs Hector Nelson, in a white satin Princess gown, with a garniture and deep yoke fringe of silver beads with pink roses, beautiful pearls; Miss Easton, pale pink charmeuse; Mr C. W. Saunders (Dunedin), Mr Sutherland Ross, Mr Tweed (son of Dr. Tweed, of Dunedin), Mr E. M. Kennaway, Mr Mason, Mr Hector Nelson, Mr Boak (Dunedin), Mr Jno. Ross (Christchurch), Mr Samuel, Mr Foden (Timaru), Mr Bridge, Captain Oliver. Supper was charmingly arranged boulevard fashion in the restaurant, an excellent band playing all the time, and soon after midnight "God Save the King" brought a very successful and enjoyable evening to a close.

HAMILTON.

February 18.

Croquet.

The Hamilton Croquet Club sent a representative team to Cambridge on Saturday last, to try conclusions with the local players. The lawns were in very good order, and a most enjoyable time was spent. The following are the match games:—Miss Walknutt and Mrs. Horne were beaten by Mrs. Richardson and Mr. Norman Banks; Mrs. Bennett and Mr. Kavanagh beat Mrs. Earl and Mrs. McDermott; Messrs. Gillet and Ackerman were beaten by Messrs. Marshall and Henley—the Hamilton players being mentioned first in each case.

Tennis.

On Saturday last some of the members of the Hamilton Tennis Club journeyed to Te Aroha to play the local and Morrinsville team. By some mistake, arrangements had not been made very definitely, which resulted in a good deal of lost time, which is somewhat deplorable after coming so far. It would certainly seem advisable to start play in Singles with those arriving by an earlier train, leaving the courts free for the Doubles when the full team had mustered by the train arriving later. No doubt this course will be followed in succeeding times, for experentia docet in match arrangements as well as other things. The following are the scores, the Hamilton players being mentioned first in each case:—Dodson and Jolly (2) v. Morpeth and Whitaker (9); Fabling and Shand (9) v. Bryers and Maingay (5); Ward and Sare (5) v. Farron and Payne (9); Miss Hunter and Jolly (5) v. Miss Cooke and Morpeth (9); Mrs. Ward and Dodson (5) v. Miss Hare and Whitaker (9); Miss Wilkinson and Shand (9) v. Miss Taylor and Maingay (1); Mrs. McCarthy and Fabling (9) v. Mrs. Seville and Bryers (4); Teresa Tompkins and Ward (9) v. Miss Neville and Farron (6); Mrs. McCarthy and Miss Wilkinson (7) v. Mrs. Seville and Miss Taylor (0); Mrs. Ward and Miss Hunter (3) v. Misses Hare and Cook (6); Dodson (8) v. Whitaker (9); Shand (9) v. Maingay (6); Ward (6) v. Payne (9); Jolly (3) v. Morpeth (6). Total—Hamilton, 89; Te Aroha and Morrinsville, 88.

ZILLA.

CAMBRIDGE.

February 18.

Bowling.

A party of Hamilton bowlers visited the Cambridge Bowling Club last Wednesday, when a most enjoyable day was spent. The greens played well, and the games were keenly contested, the match ending in a draw, the score in the aggregate being 57 all. The local first year players won their games by one point. Refreshments were provided by the local players.

Croquet.

There was a large attendance on the local Croquet Club's lawns on Saturday afternoon, on the occasion of a visit from the Hamilton Club. The lawns were in splendid condition, and some enjoyable games were played. Afternoon tea was dispensed by the members of the local club. The following were the games played, Hamilton being mentioned first:—Messrs. Gillett and Ackerman were defeated by Messrs. Marshall and Henley; Miss Walnutt and Mrs Horne were defeated by Mrs Richardson and Mrs N. Banks; Mr Kavanagh and Mrs Bennett defeated Mrs Earl and Mrs McDermott.

Tennis.

The matches for the trophies presented to the Cambridge Lawn Tennis Club for competition have caused keen contests in the first and second rounds. Matches played so far include:—

Combined: Miss R. Nixon and R. J. Roberts (received 35) defeated Miss E. Reese and A. Reese (received 45), 75—68.

Men's Singles: Roy Roberts (received 40) defeated C. Simpson (received 5), 75—71. L. Isherwood (received 25) defeated C. P. Stone (scratch), 75—61. A. Nicoll (received 20) defeated J. Cox (owe 30), 75—56.

Ladies' Singles: Miss K. Swayne (received 25) defeated Miss Cox (owe 30), 50—33. Miss F. Cox (received 25) defeated Mrs Isherwood (received 10), 50—44. Miss E. Reese (received 25) defeated Miss I. Stone (received 5), 50—44.

Personal.

Archdeacon Willis and family have returned to Cambridge from their annual holiday to St. Helier's Bay.

The many friends of Mr Frank Willis, son of Archdeacon Willis, will be pleased to hear he has gained a "Maria Blackett" scholarship, which entitles him to enter St. John's College to continue his studies. He has been for the last three years a pupil at Christ's College, Christchurch.

ELSIE.

GISBORNE.

February 17.

A Successful Dance.

A most successful dance, given by Mrs. John Murphy, took place at H.M. Theatre on Monday night last, when a large number of Mr. and Mrs. Murphy's friends were present. The stage, arranged as a drawing-room, and supper-table was beautifully decorated with profusions of yellow daisies, whilst Vita Bros.' band supplied very excellent music. Masks and dominoes were worn by the ladies up to the third dance when, owing to the warmth of the evening, they were discarded. Mrs. J. Murphy, the hostess, received in a gown of beautiful cream satin charmeuse, corsage of pearls, and carrying a lovely bouquet of tuber roses. The hall presented a most artistic appearance at the commencement of the evening, the dominoes worn being of all hues. Amongst the guests present were Mrs. Bennett, wearing white satin covered with Chantilly lace; Mrs. R. Scott, black chiffon velvet; Mrs. R. Murphy, gray satin and lace; Mrs. W. Sherratt, pale mauve ninon; Mrs. Jex-Blake, white chiffon over satin, silver sequin trimming; Mrs. T. Sherratt, black taffeta and white hat; Mrs. R. Sherratt, white net over old rose; Mrs. C. Thomas, pale pink taffeta; Mrs. Wilkock, mauve velvet, berthe of Tuscan embroidery; Mrs. H. de Lautour, pale pink satin; Mrs. C. Sainsbury, pink crepe de chine; Mrs. O. Sainsbury, soft white satin; Mrs. Gillingham, white crepe de chine, trimmed with gold and silver; Mrs. McKenzie (Hawke's Bay), white ninon trimmed with silver; Mrs. Russell (Hawke's Bay), black satin trimmed with jet and silver; Mrs. K. S. Williams, pale pink satin; Mrs. Sherwood, deep mauve silk; Mrs. J. Williams, pale green taffeta; Mrs. Mann, pale pink satin relieved with vieux rose velvet; Mrs. R. Barker, Saxe blue satin trimmed with Oriental braiding; Mrs. S. Rutledge, rose-figured chif-

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