were principally New Beahand studies, most of them Rotorus and Kawhis scenes. Amongst the very large number present were: Mr. and Mrs. Polson, Miss Pobson, Br. and Mrs. Earle, Mr. and Mrs. Pattle Izett, Miss Bayly, Mr. H. F. Christie, Mr. and Mrs. Fairburn, Mr. and Mrs. Corry, Miss Corry, Mr. and Mrs. Undfield, Misses Wadfield, Dr. M. Earle, Mrs. Good, Mr. J. T. Stewart, Mrs. and Mrs. Babbage, Mrs. Spenser, Miss Spenser, Mrs. and Mrs. John Mason, Miss Mason, Mrs. danisch, Mrs. Moore, Miss Moore, Mrs. Cuttheretson (Invercargill), Mrs. Anderson, and many others. Mrs. Anderson, and many others.

Personal.

Mes. Cuthbertson, of Invercargiil, who has been staying with her sister (Mrs. Pattle fzett) in Wanganui, has returned to her home

Mr. and Mrs. John Stevenson, of Wa-

nganai, are staying in Wellington.

Mrs. Gifford Marshall, of Wanganni, is spending some weeks in Christchurch with her father (Mr. Russell).

Mrs. Rennel, of Palmerston N., is

staying in Wanganui with her daughter (Mrs II, Bayly). Miss D. Christic, of Wanganui, is stay-

ing in Rangitikei with Mrs. Dan Riddi-

Mr. Butterworth, of Wanganui, is aying in Wellington. Mr. and Mrs. Colin Campbell, of Wa-

ngamui, have been spending a few days in

nganui, have been spending a rew ways in the Empire City.

Miss O'Brien, of Wanganui, has re-turned from her frip to Wellington.

Mrs. Janisch, of America, who has been the guest of her sister (Mrs. John Mason) for some weeks, has returned to Aud land.

SOUTH TARANAKI.

Things have been very quiet after the races, and there has been nothing to chronicle this week. Owing to Friday being the day of mourning for the late King, the dance which was to have been held at Patea to night was postponed until Tuesday.

Miss Coutts has returned to Onehunga after spending some weeks with her

after spending some weeks with her people.

Dr. MacGibbon has disposed of his practice in Hawera to Dr. Thomson. Dr. MacGibbon leaves for England next Wednesday. Mrs. MacGibbon and the children are going to Dunedin until his return. They will be very much missed. Messrs S. Ronddson and R. King, who have been spending a short holiday here, have returned to Wellington.

Miss. Success. of Palmerston is the

have returned to Wellington.

Miss Stevens, of Palmerston, is the guest of Mrs Stringer.

Miss Brewer (Waverley) is paying a visit to her brother in Hawera.

Miss MacGibbon (Dunedin) is staying with Dr. MacGibbon (Dunedin) is staying with Dr. L. Lysaght has returned home from Wangami

from Wangamii.

STRATFORD.

May 20.

The Theatre.

The town has been exceptionally quiet The town has been exceptionally quick this week, no social gatherings to speak of. "The Night of the Party" had a very good house on Tuesday night. A large contingent came up from Eltham, including Mrs Harris, Mrs McGarry, Mrs Wilkinson, Mrs Cramp, and others; from Stratford, Mrs Crawshaw, Mrs Young, Mrs Paget, Mrs E. C. Robinson, Mrs Dudge, Miss Fussell, Mrs Menzies, the Misses Hunter, etc.

Bridge.

Mrs E. C. Robinson gave a small bridge party on Wednesday night for Mrs Collins (New Plymouth), who is at present staying with her. Amongst the invited were: Mrs Stubbs, Mrs Glasgow, Mrs Uniacke, Mrs Paget, Mrs Budge, Mrs Bonnall Remell.

At Home.

Mrs Young was "At Home" to a few friends on Thursday afternoon,

Personal.

Great sympathy is felt for Mrs A. syly. Auckland, whose little daughter Great sympathy is are to have build daughter died there on Sunday, and was buried in Stratford on Wednesday.

Mr and Mrs Pookes have returned after their short visit to Wellington.

Mr and Mrs Young have returned from Waltimeton.

Wellington.

Mr Deacon has left for New Plymouth,
Rev. H. A. Favell, vicar of Holy Trinily Church, leas been summoned to Auckland, to assist temporarily as chaplain
charge of the parish during the Batemfw
and secretary to the Bishop. The Rev.
A. H. Colville will take charge of the
parish during the vicar's absence.
Mrs. O. Curtis and family have re-

Mrs O. Curtis and family have re-turned from Auckland. Mr C. Bayly (Toko) has returned

Mr C. Bayl from Augkland.

from Augstand.

Mr Raikes has left for the South Island, owing to the death of his brother.

Mrs Raikes and family have returned from their short holiday to Opunake.

Mrs Collins, New Plymouth, is at present on a visit with Mrs E. C. Robinson.

DENISE.

NELSON.

May 19,

Personal.

Miss Lorimer (Girls' College) is visit-ing friends in Wellington. Miss Kirton has gone for a trip to

Wellington, Miss Francis (England) has returned

to Wellington.

Mr. and Mrs. Robinson (Wellington) are staying with Mr. and Mrs. Robinson, Bank of N.S.W.

Miss Stuart-Forbes has left for the Korth Island. Mr. and Mrs. Fowler (Boys' College)

lave left far a holiday trip in the North.

Mr. W. Devenish, Collector of Customs at Greymouth, is at present spending a short holiday in Nelson.

DOLCE.

BLENHEIM.

May 19,

Last Saturday evening Mrs. A. Western entertained a number of young people at her residence at Tua Marina in honour of her guest, Miss Western (England). A dainty supper was served in the large dining room. Dancing was kept going merrily until midnight. Mrs. A. Western received her guests in black with redisced with crome large. Miss A. Western received her guests in black satin, relieved with creme lace; Miss Western (England), black net over white glace; Miss C. Western, cream hace robe; Miss R. Western, pade green silk; Miss Calla Western, white silk. Others present were: Misses I. Horton, heliotrope muslin; D. Horton, pale blue muslin; Beresford (Sydney), pale blue ninen; Ethel MacDonald, cinnanon brown glace, relieved with emerald green; Mailland relieved with emerald green; Maiuland (Wellington), old rose satin; Messrs, Western (5), Beresford (Sydney), Northeroft, Reid (England), Burgess, Mead, Jackson, Horton, Haggard, Dr. Atthingor, (Sydney) Mead, Jackson, Ho Atkinson (Sydney),

Small Dance.

Lady McGill and Miss McGill lington), who have been visiting Dr. and Mrs. Pentreath in Walter-street, have re-

turned.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Waits ("Lansdowne") left last week on an extended frip to Java and Australia.

Mrs. D. Strachan ("Cowley") has been spending a week at "Waitohi" House, Picton, and leaves on Tuesday for

Captain Erle and Mrs. Johnston (Wellington) are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. F. N. Dillon at "Leefleld."

Mrs. Lucas (Christchurch) is the guest f. Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Vavasour at Ugbrooke,

Mr. R. J. Bell is visiting the North Island.

Miss Baber (Wellington) is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. G. Waddy at Spring-

Mrs. Carey is visiting friends in Kai-

Mr. and Mrs. J. Huddleston (Timaru). who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Huddleston, have returned. Mrs. Hunter-Brown (Nelson) is the

Mrs. Hunter-Brown (Nelson) is the guest of Miss Filue) in Alfred-street.
Mrs. J. Corry left on Saturday for a trip to the Fiji Islands.
Miss Stuart-Forbes (Nelson) is visiting Mrs. Murro at Bonkhouse.
Mr. K. Stace (Robin Hood Bay) spent for dry with Mrs.

a few days with Mr. and Mrs. J. Mowat Springlands,
Mr. A. Bell (Riverlands) has returned

from a short visit to Christchurch.
Mr. Sinclair Macalister (Wellington)
is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Neville

("Thurston")

Roland Powell, of Havelock, whose Mr. Rohand Powell, of Havelock, whose book of poems was favourably reviewed in the "Weckly Graphie" last November, has received the following letter from his consin, Lieut.-General Sir R. S. Baden-Powell:—32, Princes Gate, S.W.—Thank you so much, my dear cousin, for your kind present of the volume of your verse, which I shall read with the greatest interest. — Yours sincerely, R. Baden-Powell. terest. -Powell.

CHRISTCHURCH.

Memorial Services.

All functions, both public and private, have, been postponed in consequence of the universal mourning for the late King. the universal mourning for the late King. On Sunday afternoon a military memorial service was held in Cranmersquare. The troops at headquarters and fattetion, and the senior cadets, attended in full dress, and wearing crepe. Bishop Julius gave an impressive and appropriate address. The King's favourite hypms were sung, and the service closed with the singing of the National Anthem.

Anther.

Another open air memorial service took place in the afternoon in Cranmer-square, and was attended by all the local territorial forces. Most of the religious denominations, were represented at this service, which was presided over by Bishop Julius.

Personal.

Miss Nedwill has returned to Christchurch from a trip to Auckland and

church from a trip to Auckland and Rotorua.

Mrs. J. C. Wilkin has returned from Auckland; she is the guest of Mrs. C. Wilkin (Phristehurch).

Mrs. Henry Wood (Avonside) is spending a few weeks at Sunner.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Millton (Birch Hill) are in Christchurch. Mrs. J. Millton left yesterday, 18th, to join the Athenio for England.

Mrs. Bethell ("Pahan Pastures," Culverlen) has been spending a few days

for England.

Mrs. Bethell ("Pahan Pastures,
Culverden) has been spending a few days
in Christchurch.

Mrs. George Helmore and family have
returned to Pendalton from Sunmer, there they have been spending the holi-

days.

Miss Somerville (Wellington) is the guest of Mrs. Deans (Riccarton).

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Ensor ("White Rock") are spending the winter months

in Christchurch.

Mrs. D. Macfarlane, "Lyndon," has been in Christchurch for a few days.

DOLLY VALE.

CARLUKE.

May 18,

A Ball.

A most enjoyable ball was beld at China Town on 29th April for the opening of the Rai Valley Social Hall. The floor was splendid, and the music, which was supplied by Mr. Rutland, was all that was to be desired. Extras were played by Mrs. Thorpe, Miss Jones and Mr. Clements, and Mr. Harris also obligate the company with a song, which was greatly appreciated. Mr. Simpson acted as M.C. Supper was provided by the lail Valley ladies, to whom great credit was due for the manner in which they worked to make everything a success.

The Carluke Hockey Girls have again opened the senson here, and we wish them every success.

Mrs. Barton has returned to her hor

arra, narros nas returned to ner nosses again after a few weeks' holiday in the North Island.

Mrs. D. McIssace has also returned home again after a visit to Feilding.

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