

Social Gathering.

The Presbyterians held a social gathering in Fay's Hall on Tuesday evening, and were fortunate in obtaining some good singers. Miss Urquart, who has lately arrived from Scotland to visit friends in Blenheim, was the guest of Mrs. Dickson at "The Manse," and was loudly applauded for her songs. Mr. Hutton was another singer well worth listening to. Mrs. Nicol and Mr. Fletcher also sang.

Personal.

Mr. Hamilton Billie, formerly of Picton, has resumed his duties as manager of the Foxton branch of the Bank of New Zealand, after a year's sick leave.

Mr. and Mrs. Beasley (Taranaki) have returned home, after a visit to Mr. and Mrs. Nicol, in Picton.

Mrs. Cawte, who has been spending a week or two in Picton, has returned to Mahakipawa.

Old friends of Mr. and Mrs. Westmacott, erstwhile of Picton, are glad to hear that they are flourishing in the Old Country, and are enjoying life greatly in motor-car expeditions.

RELLE.

BLENHHEIM.

June 23.

Small Dances.

On Friday evening a most enjoyable impromptu dance was held in the new "Loloma" Tea Rooms by the Misses Niven and Bull. Dancing took place in a large room on the lower portion of the building. Misses Niven and Bull received their guests at the head of the stairs, both wearing soft black taffeta dresses, relieved with cream lace. Some of those present were: Mrs. Walker, black sequined robe over black taffeta; Mrs. Bennett, black taffeta gown; Mrs. Mills, pale green taffeta robe; Mrs. F. Bull, cream crepe de chine; Misses Chaytor (2), white silk dresses; R. Horton, bordered muslin dress; Amuri Neville, white silk; Belle Griffiths, black nylon Empire robe; Clouston (2), white taffeta dresses; Janet Bell, white muslin; M. Bell, black silk; E. Mowat, pale green muslin; Ivy Ewart, white muslin; N. Bull, mauve velvet robe; Messrs. H. Dodson, B. Moore, Waddy, Churchward, C. Mills, F. Bull, F. Clouston, A. Bell, P. Hill, Pierpont, C. MacShane, and Dr. Bennett.

On the Links.

Quite a number of ladies and gentlemen journeyed to the Riverland Golf Links last Saturday afternoon. A dainty tea was provided by the ladies present. Some of those I noticed were: Mesdames C. Chaytor, Maelaine, B. Clouston, Misses Douslin, Chapman, Ross, B. Griffiths, Chaytor (2), Clouston (2), E. Mowat, R. Horton, Messrs. Davey, B. Moore, C. MacShane, Bird, B. Clouston, Davis, Hart, Small, Fisher.

Presentation.

Quite a gathering of the friends of Mr. W. Matheson assembled at the Blenheim railway station on Thursday afternoon to bid him farewell. Mr. Matheson has for the past year been on the staff of the local branch of Messrs. Dalgety and Co., Ltd., during which time he has made himself very popular in our midst, and it was with feelings of regret we bethought of his transfer to the Wellington branch of the Company. Prior to taking his departure Mr. J. Ibbot Sharp, on behalf of himself and staff, presented Mr. Matheson with a handsome travelling rug as a memento of their appreciation of his many good qualities.

Personal.

Mrs. Carey is visiting Mrs. Dillon at Leefield.

Miss Vere Brittain is visiting Langley Dale.

Invitations are issued for the wedding of Miss Hazeldean Florence, second daughter of Mrs. W. E. Clouston, "St. Andrew's," to Mr. A. Bell, of "Riverlands," for July 2nd.

Miss Perret (Renwicktown) is visiting Miss Newton in Maxwell-road.

Mr. K. Willis was in town during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Adams (Langley Dale) have returned after spending a few days in town.

Mrs. Florence, wife of our worthy Stipendiary Magistrate, has joined her husband in Blenheim. They have taken up their quarters at the Criterion Hotel.

Hon. C. H. Mills and Mrs. Mills (Wellington) are staying at the Club Hotel.

Miss Olive Mills (Wellington) is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Neville (Thurston).

Miss Evelyn Mowat is spending a few days in Wellington.

Mr. W. B. Stevenson (Upcot) passed through Blenheim during the week on his way to Christchurch.

Mr. R. McCallum is visiting the North Island.

Mrs. I. Johnston (Waverley) is visiting her parents at Ugbrooke.

JEAN.

NELSON.

June 23.

Tennis Dance.

The annual tennis dance, given by the Nelson Lawn Tennis Association, was held this year at Warwick House, instead of at the School of Music. The music was splendid, the floor in perfect order, and those present had a very enjoyable time. Some of those present were: Mrs. Macquarie, who was wearing black nylon, relieved with cream lace; Mrs. Wright (Cable Bay), blue and white striped mousseline de soie; Mrs. C. Y. Fell, black taffeta and lace; Mrs. Squires, pale blue satin with tunic of sequined net; Mrs. Walter Colt (Brightwater), black nylon over silk, silver scarf; Mrs. C. H. Broad, pale blue satin, with tunic of blue net; Mrs. Dudley Edwards, peach pink taffeta with panels of gold tissue; Mrs. Thomson (Cable Bay), black crepe de chine; Mrs. H. S. Robison, palest grey chiffon; Mrs. J. Glasgow, eau de nil satin; Mrs. H. C. Cook, white satin Empire gown with silver embroidery; Mrs. E. Jackson, frock of white chiffon over satin with silver; Mrs. Brusewitz, white chine silk; Mrs. M. Grace, white chiffon taffeta with gold lace; Mrs. Hintz, crimson taffeta; the three debutantes, Miss Marjorie Pearless (Wakefield), Miss Eileen Adams (Stoke), and Miss Daga Brusewitz, each wore pretty semi-Empire frocks of white satin, and carried shower bouquets of white flowers; Miss E. Booth, white chiffon with overdress of embroidered crepe; Miss D. Booth, white satin Empire gown; Miss Richmond, pale blue silk, with overdress of floral gauze; Miss Blackett, pale green charmeuse with silver; Miss Ledger, pink chiffon taffeta; Miss E. Ledger, pale blue satin gown; Miss Stevens, black lace robe over black silk; Misses Clark, white chiffon taffeta; Miss Houliker, white satin, with overdress of sequined net; Miss F. Edwards, frock of white nylon with touches of gold embroidery; Miss C. Edwards, eau de nil silk; Miss M. Cook, pale blue satin Empire gown; Miss C. Greenfield (Blenheim), white chiffon over silk; Miss D. Webb, mauve chiffon and silver; Miss F. Maginnity, white satin Empire gown; Miss Wastney, buttercup taffeta; Miss Tomlinson, pale blue and silver embroidery; Miss S. Tomlinson, pink charmeuse; Miss Wix (England), white satin with overdress of sequined net; Miss M. Hamilton, white satin semi-Dirigoire gown; Miss Trolove, pink and gold; Miss Chilton, mauve charmeuse; Miss V. Bamford, pale blue charmeuse; Miss J. Wright, white chiffon; Miss W. Dixon, black net over black taffeta; Miss G. Wright, black net over silk; Miss D. Bell, pale pink satin; Miss Hair, white silk. There were also present: Messrs. G. Macquarie, C. Green, Clark (2), H. Cook, F. Hamilton, Hord, Hair, Booth (2), Houliker (3), Squires, Brown, Hamilton (4), C. Leven, Wright (Cable Bay), G. Holy, D. Edwards, J. Glasgow, Thomson (Cable Bay), K. Walker, R. Dodson, Bamford, H. Harley, W. Colt (Brightwater), Bunny, E. Jackson, Grace (2), Langley, Adams, Hurst.

DOLCE.

CHRISTCHURCH.

June 25.

A Dance.

An assembly dance, the third of the series, took place in Miss Cox's rooms, "Te Whare," Hereford-street, on Friday night, and was a great success. The guests were received by the hostesses, Mrs. Gower-Burns and Mrs. W. J. Moore. Mrs. Burns wore a cream brocaded satin relieved with gold; Mrs. Moore, a gown of pale grey chiffon taffetas and lace; Miss Burns, Wedgwood blue satin, with draped skirt; Miss H. Burns, black nylon over black satin, with embroideries of jet; Miss Moore, frock of turquoise blue nylon; Miss D. Moore, shell-pink crepe de chine, with crystal and pearl embroideries; Miss Theonim (Dunedin), cream satin and net Princess dress; Miss Wood, white net, threaded with pale blue satin ribbon; Miss Humphreys, black striped nylon, relieved with cream lace; Miss Agnes Humphreys, ivory white striped gauze, with cherry coloured roses; Miss G. Merton, gown of black spotted net, relieved with emerald green; Miss Wilding, heliotrope mousseline de soie; Miss Hamner, Princess frock of dark blue velvet, with fichu of cream lace; Miss M. Hamner, myrtle green velvet, relieved with cream lace; Miss D. Anderson, pale grey nylon over mauve crepe de chine; Miss Kitson, white nylon; Miss Park, ivory striped chiffon and lace; Miss E. Prins, pale heliotrope chiffon taffetas; Messrs. Deniston, Gibson, Gaddy, Anderson, Wilding, Fell, Campbell, Wright, Vavasour, Gore, Wood, Lees, Fryer, Boys, Harper, and several others were present.

College Conversations.

Canterbury College conversazione was held in the College Hall on the same evening. There was a very large attendance, the hall being quite filled. The proceedings opened with a concert and short play. The various departments of the College were thrown open to the visitors, who were most interested in watching various experiments—the machine-room of the engineering school, and so on. In the meantime the large hall was cleared for dancing, which commenced at 11 p.m. The chaperones were Mrs. Blunt and Mrs. Farr. Several of those who were at the Assembly dance, which took place on the same evening, also attended the College dance. The lateness of its opening enabled them to do so.

Card Party.

On Tuesday evening, Mrs. Collins, Armagh-street, gave a progressive card party. Five hundred was the game chosen. Mrs. Appleby and Miss Guthrie won the ladies' prizes; Mr. Cooper and Mr. Simmons the gentlemen's. Mrs. Collins was wearing grey silk; Miss Collins, frock of black net, relieved with gold braid. Amongst the guests were: Colonel and Mrs. Hawkins, Mr. and Mrs. Evans, Mr. and Mrs. Tyers, Mrs. Appleby, Mrs. E. Currie, Misses Jones, Russell, Spooner, Merton, Croxton, Guthrie, Bruce, Messrs. Collins, Gould, Cooper, Guthrie, Murray, Holderness, Marchant, Parsons, Simmons, and Van Asch.

Personal.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Abraham (Levin) are the guests of Miss Humphreys at Fendalton.

Miss Theonim (Dunedin) is paying visits to her Christchurch friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald McLean (Mt. Hutt) have been staying with Mrs. Nan-carrow in Armagh-street.

Mrs. Johnstone (Mount Torlesse) is spending a few days in Christchurch.

Miss Thurston, the matron of the Christchurch Hospital, who is on sick leave, is the guest of Dr. and Mrs. Stevenson, Webb-street, Merivale.

Mrs. McKellar (Christchurch) is staying in Timaru. Mrs. Guy Pascoe and Mr. and Mrs. C. Wigley (Christchurch) are also visiting Timaru.

Mrs. Bealey, "Horarata," is the guest of Miss B. Russell, Salisbury-street, Christchurch.

Mr. and Mrs. Heaton Rhodes (Christchurch) left for Sydney this week.

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