

with chiffon shoulder scarf and a large pink rose in her coiffure; Mrs. Babbage, black silk with cream net and lace; Mrs. Colin Campbell, black silk with fur coat; Mrs. James Watt, smart robe of pale blue charmeuse made in Princess style; Miss Cowper (Dannevirke), black velvet with berthe of cream lace, and the same forming a turn-back effect on the sleeves, crimson velvet in her coiffure; Miss Bretlarch wore a rose pink silk gown with panel edged with buttons of the same.

A Delightful Dance.

A number of Wanganui people went to Bulls on Tuesday to a very delightful dance given by a committee of ladies in the new Town Hall. Some went by train, but the greater number motored down. Amongst those present were: Dr. and Mrs. Christie, Miss Christie, Mr. and Mrs. Good, Dr. M. Earle, Mr. and Mrs. Izard, Mrs. G. Marshall, Miss Marshall, Miss Moore, Miss Wilford, Messrs. Martin, Butterworth, Bannister, Strouts, Wales, Palmer, and others.

Personal.

Miss Queenie Nixon, of Wanganui, is staying with friends in Palmerston North.

Miss Russell, of Wanganui, is visiting friends in the Rangitikei district.

Miss Good, of Hawera, is staying in Wanganui with Mrs. H. Good.

Mrs. R. Lethbridge, of Turakina, has been the guest of Mrs. A. Izard in Wanganui.

Miss A. Riddiford, of Palmerston North, has been staying in Wanganui with Mrs. H. F. Christie, St. John's Hill.

Mrs. Ballance (England) is staying in Wanganui with her sister, Mrs. Foreman.

Mrs. Dodgshun, of Wellington, who has been staying in Wanganui for some weeks, left on Friday for the Wairarapa.

HUIA.

STRATFORD.

July 8.

Stratford is once more taking an interest in mundane affairs. Our invalids are slowly recovering, and things in general are more cheerful.

During the Week.

Mrs. H. Good had a small afternoon tea on Tuesday.

Mrs. Wake had some friends for bridge on Wednesday, Mrs. Crawshaw having to postpone her bridge party till next month on account of influenza.

Mrs. Hogg was "At Home" on Wednesday afternoon, and in spite of the inclement weather, many went out to Midhirst by train, and had a most delightful afternoon.

Euchre Party.

Mrs. F. Wake gave a charming progressive euchre party on Friday afternoon, the artistic dining-room being properly decorated with daffodils and masses of violets. The hostess received her guests in a most becoming Empire frock of black chiffon taffeta, with lace yoke and jet passementerie; Miss Nina Wake wore a pretty cream lace frock. Among the guests were: Mrs. T. C. Pookes, in heliotrope silk with hat en suite; Mrs. Monroe, brown silk taffeta, gold trimming on bodice, black velvet toque; Mrs. Hugh Good, Russian coat and skirt, large burnt straw hat with roses; Mrs. Fraser Grant, grey costume, black velvet toque; Mrs. Budge, cream lace robe, large black hat with plumes; Mrs. Young, vieux dress, dark blue hat; Mrs. Dillon-Carbery, dark people coat and skirt, hat to match; Mrs. Uniacke, blue and brown striped costume, black silk revers, large black velvet hat; Mrs. Menzies, dark blue coat and skirt; Mrs. E. C. Robinson, blue coat and skirt, black silk roll collar, blue hat; Mrs. Hogg, grey coat and skirt, large green hat; Mrs. Wallace, Mrs. Glasgow, heliotrope costume, large blue hat; Mrs. Rennell, coat and skirt; Mrs. Hawkins, dark green silk Empire robe; Mrs. Paget, blue and white striped delaine, black hat; Mrs. Stubbs, black glaze silk, black toque; Miss Bedford (New Plymouth); Miss Fussell, Miss Orbell, Miss Joyce Monroe, Mrs. Coppings; Mrs. Evert, brown costume, with large hat en suite; Mrs. Heatley, and others. The first prize was won by Mrs. Young—a very pretty clock; Mrs. Menzies was the winner of the second—a handsome vase, the hoody falling to Mrs. Uniacke—a charming little belique skillet.

Personal.

Mrs. Porritt has returned from her visit to New Plymouth.

Mrs. Raikes and family are in New Plymouth for a few days.

Mrs. O. Curtis and family are away for a holiday.

Dr. and Mrs. Harrison have returned from their visit to the South Island.

DENTISE.

NELSON.

July 7th.

Euchre Party.

An enjoyable Euchre Party was the one given by Mrs. C. T. Fell at "St John's." Mrs. Fell received her guests in a becoming gown of grey brocade, with panels of handsome lace; Miss Sylvia Fell was wearing a pretty gown of white liberty satin; Miss Atkinson, navy blue silk; Mrs. H. Cock, buttercup taffeta; Mrs. D. Edwards, peach coloured charmeuse; Mrs. S. Gibbs, white lace over satin; Mrs. Robison, black velvet Empire gown; Mrs. C. H. Broad, grey taffeta; Miss Langley Adams, black chiffon; Miss C. Edwards, green charmeuse, with oriental galon; Misses Clark, white silk; Miss Wix, cream satin; Miss Tomlinson, rose pink satin; Misses Cock, blue charmeuse; Miss Hair, pink silk; Miss Bamford, black; Misses Booth, white chiffon; Miss Webb, pale blue; Miss D. Bell, white chiffon; Miss Hodson, black; Miss Gillison, black chiffon; others present were:—Messrs. Richmond, Fell, D. Edwards, H. Cock, Broad, Robison, Clark, Richmond, Houliker (3), Hamilton, Grace, R. Dodson, Johnson, O'Beirne, Booth, Richmond, C. Hamilton, Levien, Drs. Gibbs and Johnson.

More Euchre.

Another large Euchre Party was given by the Misses Ledger—"Waltons" for the Misses Cock, who leave next week for England.

Miss Ledger wore an Empire gown of grey figured silk, with net yoke; Miss Lucy Ledger was wearing natter blue chiffon, with sleeves of white net; Miss Stuart-Forbes, black and white gown; Misses M. and W. Cock, black net frocks; Miss G. Cock, lavender muslin; Mrs. H. C. Cock, pale blue nimon; Miss Elsie Booth, white chiffon, with gold embroidery; Miss Richmond, black, with lace plastrons; Miss Kirton, sky blue silk; Miss Trolove, white net; Miss F. Edwards, white taffeta; Miss C. Edwards, green satin; Miss Leggatt, black taffeta. Misses Coster, white striped silk, with mauve flowers; Miss Maginity, vieux rose glaze; Miss Tomlinson, cream net; Miss Roberts, pink silk; Misses Clark, white gauze over silk; Miss Houliker, black spotted net; Misses Langley Adams (2), pale blue silk; Miss Stevens, geranium red brocade; Miss N. Sealey, black silk, with bertule of Maltese lace; Miss D. Bell, white net; Miss Haggitt (Dunedin), white spotted net; Miss Hodson, black charmeuse satin, with sequins.

The prize winners were Miss M. Houliker, and Miss Mand Cook, and the other prizes fell to Miss F. Edwards, and Miss Booth.

Personal.

Mrs. R. S. Booth (Union Bank) and Miss D. Booth are visiting friends in Wellington.

Miss Sylvia Fell has gone to Wellington.

Dr. and Mrs. Gregory (North Island) are the guests of Mrs. Mules, Bishopdale.

Miss D. Wix has left for Blenheim.

DOLCE.

PICTON.

July 7.

Euchre Tournament.

The sixth of the series carried on by the Fire Brigade was held on Monday evening, and despite the weather, the slushy streets, and the darkness, there was a very good attendance. Mrs. Tarrant won the ladies' prize, and Mr. F. Rouse the men's.

The Weather.

The Rev. Mr. Bates has proved himself a true prophet in this country, and though there was no wind to speak of, the rain made up for nearly three days and came down for nearly three days and nights in torrential quantity. The usual gentle Waitohi stream was a rushing torrent, and lakelets adorned the low-lying parts of the town. No damage was done locally.

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