

leaves; Miss E. Baird, smart cream coat and skirt, mole hat with white wings; Miss — Baird, light biscuit cloth coat and skirt, hat en suite; Miss Peddie, bronze tweed costume, saxe blue hat.

**Personal.**

Great sympathy is felt for Mr. Luckie in his long illness.

Mrs. J. Miller has returned from Wellington.

Mr. G. P. Donnelly has gone to Christchurch.

Mrs. Gibb has returned to Marton. She has been spending some weeks with her daughter, Mrs. Halse, of the Bank of New Zealand.

Mrs. Neil (Feilding) left for Feilding last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Lowry have gone to Christchurch.

Mrs. Fairclough (Dunedin) is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. McKibbin.

Mrs. Stevenson (Gisborne) is the guest of Mrs. Symes.

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**FEILDING.**

August 12.

**Rinking Party.**

Miss Shannon and her brother gave a most delightful rinking party on Thursday last in the Drill Hall. The stage was done up as a drawing-room, with easy chairs and carpets, and was used for bridge players and onlookers, among whom I noticed: Mr. and Mrs. Clayton, Mr. and Mrs. Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. Millar, Mr. and Mrs. Horrocks, Mr. and Miss Levett (Kiwitea), Mrs. Luxmoore, Mr. and Mrs. McBeth, Rev. and Miss Jones, Mrs. Walker, Miss Baddely (Wanganui), Miss Carey (Kiwitea), Mrs. McAllum, Dr. and Mrs. Willis. At the back of the stage the supper table was laid, which was prettily decorated with spring flowers. Among those rinking, I noticed: Mr. and Mrs. Shannon, Miss McBeth, Mr. and Mrs. Montgomerie, Mr. T. Shannon, Mr. and Mrs. Gillespie, Mr. and Mrs. Glasgow, Mr. and Mrs. Banks, Mr. and Mrs. Baddeley (Kimbolton), Mr. Atkinson, Mr. and Miss Long, Mr. Grimwade, Miss E. Bruce, Miss J. Bruce, Miss Prior, Miss Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. McLennan, Mr. and Mrs. Blundell, Mr. and Mrs. Wheeler, Miss Wyatt, Miss Walker, Mr. Moore,

Mr. Manning, Mr. S. Baddely, Mr. A. Banks.

**Bridge Party.**

Mrs. H. Stewart gave a small bridge party at her residence, Camden-street, on Wednesday last. Bridge was played in the drawing-room, which was prettily decorated with spring flowers. Mrs. Gillespie won the first prize. Mrs. Stewart received her guests in a pale green frock; Mrs. Horrocks, dark blue coat and skirt, burnt straw hat trimmed with black; Mrs. Clayton, black skirt, white silk blouse, black hat; Mrs. Glasgow, brown costume, hat to match, lined with blue; Mrs. Montgomerie, striped blue coat and skirt, black hat; Mrs. McAllum, goblin blue coat and skirt, black hat; Mrs. Roberts, purple coat and skirt, black hat; Mrs. Alymer, cream coat and skirt, hat with violets; Mrs. Willis, tweed coat and skirt, hat with wings; Mrs. Halliday, pale blue frock, toque with pink roses; Mrs. Porter, grey costume, with a very becoming black velvet hat.

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**NEW PLYMOUTH.**

August 12.

**A Dance.**

Quite the most important social function of the season was an "At Home" given in the Brougham-street Hall, by Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Burgess, last Thursday evening, in honour of their nephew, Mr. Sydney Burgess. The hall was beautifully decorated with mirrors, framed with sprays of white camellias and peach blossom, while the many windows and doorways were artistically draped with dainty curtains. The supper-table was charmingly decorated with stands of daffodils, with silver candlesticks at even intervals. Mrs. C. H. Burgess received her guests in a very handsome primrose satin, with tunic of cream lace, decolletage slashed with pale blue; Mrs. Paton, a lovely cream lace robe, over pale blue taffetas, bands of silver sequined guimpe on corsage; Mrs. Morrison, a charming and very handsome black lace robe, heavily sequined, over white taffetas, corsage draped with folded lace; Mrs. Sladden, handsome gold sequined net over a foundation of pale pink taffetas; Mrs. Wylie,

charming cream lace robe over glaze; Mrs. Glasgow looked extremely well in pale blue taffetas, with kimono bodice inset with cream lace; Mrs. Claude Weston, looked very handsome in a striking robe of scarlet taffetas, veiled in black net, with overdrape of black nylon, finished with rich gold sequined berthe; Mrs. Southall looked handsome in ruby velvet, relieved with cream net; Mrs. F. G. Evans looked distinguish in peach-coloured brocade; Mrs. H. Bailly, pale celiotrope crystalline, prettily trimmed with rich cream lace; Mrs. Walker, a lovely cream Indian lace robe, over a glaze foundation; Mrs. S. Smith, cream silk taffetas, corsage finished with silk lace; Mrs. Wills, a dainty cream Oriental satin; Miss Ellis, black satin trimmed with real lace, and silver sequined passementerie trimming; Miss Hanna, very pretty rose pink silk, with broad band of black lace insertion on skirt, and narrow black Valenciennes lace edging folded bodice; Miss Brewster, pretty cream lace robe, over a silk foundation, satin folded ceinture relieved with a pale blue and gold buckle; Miss H. Humphries, black satin, gold sequined berthe; Miss Fitzherbert, cream Liberty satin, with draped skirt, caught up with silken tassels, lovely lace finishing corsage; Miss Lora Fitzherbert, pale grey nylon over rose pink taffetas; Miss E. Atkinson, very pretty primrose tucked net over maize-coloured satin; Miss Simpson looked extremely well in vieux rose silk, cream net tucker finished with Saxe blue Oriental trimming; Miss D. Simpson, pale blue silk; Miss G. Kyngden looked pretty in pale pink taffetas; Miss Bayley, black net; Miss Cutfield looked handsome in rose-pink taffetas; Miss Dempsey, very pretty pale blue taffetas, bolero of cream silk insertion, finished with cream silk fringe; Miss I. Lewis, oyster pink chiffon taffetas; Miss G. Fookes, cream lace robe; Miss Bedford, cream silk; Miss D. Bedford, pale pink satin charmeuse; Miss B. Evans looked well in a cream lace robe, with violets relieving decolletage; Miss F. Evans, very pretty vieux rose silk, folded bodice, over cream net chemisette; Miss M. Evans looked winsome in white nylon, trimmed with silver; Mrs. Home, pale green taffetas, embossed on hem of skirt and corsage with rose-pink flowers; Miss Blundell,

pale blue muslin; Miss Mills, cream lace; Miss Saxton, hydrangea blue striped silk voile, trimmed with bands of a darker shade; Miss S. Thomson, cream satin tunic, finished with silver tassels; Miss M. Thomson, white satin and silver; Miss L. McAllum, scarlet satin veiled in net, cream net chemisette slashed with black; Miss B. Matthews, pale blue muslin, with hand-painted border; Miss Roy, cream lace robe; Miss G. Roy, cream messaline, trimmed with silver; Miss N. Capel, very pretty pale blue taffetas, with tunic and decolletage trimmed with bands of silver; Mrs. Penn, cream silk; Miss E. Penn, pale blue muslin; Miss Curtis, white crepe de chine, finished with gold fringe; Miss Ryan, pale pink nylon; Miss V. Kirkby looked pretty in pale blue muslin; Miss L. Brown, turquoise blue silk, blue ribbon threaded through collar; Miss L. Webster, pale blue taffetas veiled in chiffon; Miss MacDiarmid, cream chiffon taffetas; Miss Shaw, pale blue muslin; Mrs. Gold, black silk, with real lace berthe.

**Personal.**

Rev. A. H. Colville, who has been residing at Stratford, and who spent a few days in New Plymouth, has now returned to Auckland.

The Rev. Dean McKenna is on a visit to Auckland.

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**STRATFORD.**

August 12.

**During the Week.**

A delightful day was spent on the links on Thursday, when a visiting team from Inglewood played our local club. Mrs. Fraser Grant (assisted by Mrs. Menzies, Mrs. Bulge, Miss Fussell, and others) gave a much-appreciated tea in the club house.

Mrs. Crawshaw's last bridge party of the season was most enjoyable, the evening ending with a very dainty supper. Amongst those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Stubbs, Mr. and Mrs. Kennel, Mrs. Reid, Dr. and Mrs. Menzies, Mr. and Miss N. James, Mr. and Miss Wake, Miss Monroe, Mr. F. N. Thompson, Mrs. Henderson, Mr. Vaughan, and others.

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