

skirt, hat to match, with bulberry mount; Mrs. K. Cowper, black corded-up coat and skirt, black stole and muff; black fur toque; Miss Gould (Auckland), dark tweed coat and skirt, straw hat with wreaths of shaded flowers; Mrs. Peel, dark grey cloth costume, beautiful sealskin stole and muff, with sable tails, grey straw hat with wings; Mrs. Gill-Carey, electric blue hopsack coat and skirt, black hat, black wings, and touch of gold; Miss Coots (Hawera), navy blue coat and skirt, large black hat, with wreath of shaded flowers; Mrs. T. Saunders, pale mauve coat and skirt, large mauve satin hat, with wings in the same tones; Mrs. F. Cowper (Dannevirke), brown flecked tweed coat, black satin revers, golden brown satin hat, with black wings; Mrs. Chamberlain, violet fluted coat and skirt, becoming violet hat with wings to match; Mrs. Greenwood, blue and white flecked Harris tweed, cream lace vest, pretty velvet toque; Miss O'Brien, green Norfolk Harris tweed coat and skirt, hat to match, with bulberry mount; Mrs. F. Moore, black coat and skirt, black hat with ostrich plumes, grey fur stole and muff; Mrs. Montgomerie, black silk costume, black silk mantle, black bonnet, with touch of white in it; Miss Danley, navy blue coat and skirt, floral toque composed of violets, grey furs; Mrs. S. Gordon, navy blue coat and skirt, white feather boa, black hat with blue satin crown swathed with the same; Miss G. Christie, navy blue coat and skirt, black velvet toque, grey fox furs; Miss A. Cowper, black and white coat and skirt, blue straw hat with wings; Miss N. Cowper, navy blue coat and skirt, black hat with black and white wings; Mrs. Bayley, long black velvet coat profusely braided, black velvet toque.

Rinking.

The skating rink still continues to be very well patronised. Amongst those I have noticed lately were: Miss Gresson, Miss Hanken, Miss Stevenson, Miss Reid (Australia), Miss Hanner (Christchurch), Miss Brettargh, Miss Thomson (Sydney), Miss Willard, Miss Radley, Miss Drumock, Miss Spencer, Miss Brown, Miss Kerr, Miss P. Jones, Messrs. Stevenson, Reid, Wilson, Brettargh, Chamberlain, Jones, Dr. H. Christie, Brown, and others.

Personal.

Miss Reid (Australia) is the guest of Mrs. Hurst in Wanganui.
Amongst those in Wanganui for the steplechase meeting were Mr. and Mrs. Loughnan (Palmerston), Mr. and Mrs. Abraham (Palmerston), Mrs. Potts (Palmerston), Mrs. Jones (Palmerston North), Mr. T. G. Wilson, Miss Wilson (Balls), Mr. and Mrs. Strang (Palmerston North).
Mr. and Mrs. McGregor (Wairarapa) are spending a few days in Wanganui.
Mr. and Mrs. Fisher (Dunedin) are spending a few days in Wanganui.
Miss D. Christie of Wanganui is staying with friends in Rangitikei.

HUTA.

STRATFORD.

June 2.

rarewell Dance.

There has been quite an exodus of people from our town during the last

few weeks, the latest to leave being Mrs. K. C. Robinson, to whom a very enjoyable dance was given last Friday, when about forty couples were present. The hall looked very gay with the pretty dresses worn by the ladies, and the supper table most tempting with its decoration of holly, rich in its profusion of red berries. Mrs. Fookes was gowned in black velvet, richly trimmed with jet, becoming jet ornaments in coiffure; Mrs. Wake wore very pretty pearl grey charmeuse, with overdress of chiffon trimmed with handsome guipure of the same tone, a garniture of shell-pink chiffon on bodice; Mrs. Anderson, buttercup chiffon taffeta; Mrs. E. C. Robinson, white net trimmed with satin, red poppies on corsage; Mrs. Young, handsome black sequined net over black silk; Mrs. Johnstone, becoming gown of tangerine satin and brocade; Mrs. Porritt, dainty white silk; Mrs. Stubbs, black silk; Mrs. Glasgow, sage blue ninon de soie, gold garniture on bodice; Mrs. Crawshaw, black embroidered net over silk; Mrs. Hogg, black voile, becoming headress of red roses; Mrs. Kimbell (Hawera), white taffeta diratoire gown trimmed silk braid, cluster of pink roses in coiffure; Mrs. Wilkie, black voile; Mrs. Coppings, Mrs. Rennell, mole chiffon velvet, with berthe of Alencon lace, becoming amber and steel hair adornment; Mrs. Menzies, white taffeta, trimmed crystalline net; Miss James, white, relieved with red; Miss Nancy James, becoming salmon pink dress; Miss Joyce Glynes (Auckland), mole-coloured voile with cerise sash; Mrs. Melville (Dunedin), white net over white silk, Oriental trimming; Miss Crawshaw (Sydney), cream Russian net over pink, sequined hair bands; Miss Black, black voile, blue roses in hair; Miss White (Hawera), sea green charmeuse, with chiffon overdress of self colour; Miss Anderson, eau de nil silk and net; Miss Stronach; Miss Fussell, white silk, relieved with black velvet; Messrs. Grant, Fookes, Wake, Young, Crawshaw (2), Robinson (2), Stubbs, Menzies, Anderson (3), Dr. Steven, Wilkie, James (2), Spence, Vaughan, Fussell, Webster, Copping, Glasgow.

Mrs. Crawshaw entertained a number of young people on Saturday evening, the "party" later going on to the rink.

Personal.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Rennell left for Wanganui on Monday, where they intend to take up their residence.
Mr. J. L. Stanford returned by the mail train on Saturday, after many weeks spent in Australia.
Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Raikes were passengers by the mail train on Monday for New Plymouth, going north for a month's holiday.
Mrs. E. C. Robinson left for Auckland on Monday, where she intends to pursue her musical studies.
Mrs. Paget returned from Wanganui on Friday, where she had been to attend the races.

DENISE.

SOUTH TARANAKI.

Hawera, June 2.

A Dance.

The second of Miss Douglas' assemblies was held last Wednesday evening, and proved to be most enjoyable. The night was cold, and the floor and music excellent. Miss Douglas wore a pale pink taffeta, cream coat; Mrs. Moore, black

frock; Mrs. Glenn, black silk, dark green coat; Mrs. Webster, black satin, pretty Oriental scarf; Mrs. Bell, pink charmeuse trimmed with silver; Mrs. Wylds, cream satin, relieved with red; Mrs. R. McLean, blue taffeta with a silver spangled overdress; Mrs. Bright, black, with touches of gold on corsage; Mrs. Page, black sequined net; Mrs. Parkinson, black taffeta with ninon tunic and steel trimmings; Mrs. O'Callaghan, cream crepe de chine with bands of gold embroidery; Miss Brett, pale pink charmeuse with sequin trimming; Miss Reilly, pink charmeuse; Miss C. Reilly, cream ninon, tunic and corsage finished with silver; Miss Glenn, black taffeta; Miss Q. Glenn, white Indian muslin, trimmed with embroidery; Miss Carey, pale green crepe Empire frock; Miss Stace, white charmeuse with ninon tunic edged in silver; Miss Wilkinson, frock of floral chiffon; Miss Johnson, turquoise blue silk; Miss Williams, heliotrope with tunic of darker shade of chiffon; Miss B. Nolan, pink silk crepe; Miss L. Nolan, white muslin; Miss E. Moore, maize-coloured silk; Miss Wells (Waikato), cream frock, finished with sequin trimmings; Miss Glynes (New Plymouth), grey taffeta, relieved with black; Miss Stringer, white muslin; Miss W. Stringer, sage blue charmeuse with tunic of ninon and touches of silver tissue; Miss White, wine-coloured silk.

Personal.

Mrs. McDiarmid has returned from Wellington.

Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Cassell left last Monday on a six months' trip to England. During their absence Archdeacon and Mrs. Evans (New Plymouth) will have charge of this parish.

Miss Glynes (New Plymouth) is the guest of Mrs. Moore.

Miss Wells (Waikato) is the guest of Mrs. Bell.

Mrs. and Miss Duckworth, who have been visiting Hawera, have returned to Dunedin.

Miss Ward, who has been the guest of Mrs. Barton, has returned to Auckland.

Mrs. Fairburn (Wanganui), is visiting Mrs. Good.

Miss M. Moore is visiting Wellington.

Miss Beetham, who has been the District Nurse here for twelve months, has resigned, and returned to Auckland.

Miss Douglas is visiting friends in Hanke's Bay.

JOAN.

NELSON.

June 1.

Ball at "Mountrath."

A very enjoyable dance was given by Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Cooze, at their residence, "Mountrath," last week, for their daughter. Miss Ivy Cooze, who made her debut, was charmingly gowned in white satin, with short tunic of white chiffon, deeply banded with silk embroidered lace; Mrs. Cooze wore a becoming frock of black satin, with a deep hem of Coronation-blue satin, the overdress being of black silk fisher net, her shoulder scarf was of royal blue ninon and silver sequins; Miss Myrtle Cooze wore a white silk frock, with pale pink sash; Mrs. Barr was wearing a handsome gown of green satin charmeuse; Mrs. Archie Hamilton (India), pale blue chiffon and lace frock; Mrs. G. Hoby, pretty gown of white duchesse satin, the centre and tunic trimmed with pink rosebuds; Mrs. Burnes, white satin, with handsome overdress of black net embroidered in silver;

Mrs. Wright (Cable Bay), blue and white striped ninon; Mrs. D. Edwards, lotus blue satin, with tunic of jewelled chiffon; Mrs. McLarra, black silk gown; Mrs. Noel Adams, pretty gown of maize satin, with inset panel of dyed lace; Mrs. H. Cook, buttercup yellow taffeta; Mrs. Guy Ellis (Tadmor), black chiffon frock; Mrs. Robinson, pale grey ninon, pink rose tucked in the centre; Miss Richmond, white satin with gold embroidery; Miss Iva Hudson (Tapawera), white silk frock; Miss E. Ledger, pale blue ninon; Miss J. Ledger, pretty black chiffon gown; Miss E. Booth, green satin; Miss D. Booth, white satin; Miss D. Webb, yellow taffeta; Miss Houlker, white net over satin; Miss Heddon, black net gown; Miss Blackett, pale green charmeuse; Miss B. Sharp, turquoise satin; Miss K. Biechyden, pale blue silk; Miss Lucas, soft white satin; Miss G. Clark, pale blue taffeta; Miss F. Clark, white chiffon over pink silk; Miss Tomlinson, raspberry taffeta; Miss K. Selanders, sky satin with net tunic; Miss C. Greenfield, white chiffon; Miss Haggitt (Dunedin), pale blue ninon; Miss Gilkinson, white chiffon taffeta and silver. Others present were: Messrs. C. H. and J. Cooze, Percy Adams, G. Ellis, Edwards, Hamilton (4), N. Adams, Wright (Cable Bay), Hoby, Houlker, Booth (2), Levien, Clark, Cook, McLaren, Robinson, Biechyden, Warnock, Dodson, Burnes, Harris, Brown (Stoke), Dr. Barr and Captain A. Hamilton.

Euchre Party.

A delightful euchre party was given by Mrs. Selanders for her guest, Miss Somerville (Masterton). After several games of progressive euchre had been played, the prizes were won by Miss Houlker and Miss Frances Clark. Mrs. Selanders was wearing black chiffon over silk; Miss Kathleen Selanders, pretty white silk frock; Miss Somerville, cream silk and lace; Miss Richmond, white chiffon over silk; Miss Blackett, violet velvet; Miss C. Edwards, white silk; Miss E. Booth, cinnamon ninon over taffeta of the same shade; Miss Stevens, cream crepe; Misses Magninity, white voile frocks; Miss J. Ledger, white muslin frock; Miss Houlker, pale green crepon over silk; Miss Leggett, soft white silk; Misses Clark, pale blue ninon; Miss D. Webb, black chiffon frock; Miss L. Lucas, grey satin; Miss Ivy Cooze, white muslin and Valenciennes lace; Miss D. Booth, cream embroidered silk; Miss Heddon, black chiffon.

Personal.

Mr. and Mrs. Brigg-Wither have returned from their visit to the North Island.

Mrs. Simpson, who has been the guest of Mrs. Lyall, has returned to her home in Wellington.

Mrs. Somerville (Masterton) is staying with Mrs. Selanders.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Broad have returned from their visit to Wellington.

Mrs. Claud Harris (Tadmor) is visiting friends here.

DOLCE.

PICTON.

June 1.

Musical Club.

On Monday evening the Musical Club met at Dr. and Mrs. Redman's home in Dublin-street. Among those present were Mrs. and Miss Haslett. Mrs. and the Misses Macalister, Captain and Mrs. Bur-

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