

W. Greenslade, cream silk blouse, black silk skirt; Mrs. Georgetti, stylish grey gown, with cream net tulle; Miss Rothwell, black silk; Miss Stevens, green taffeta silk; Miss Malcolm, pale pink ninon, blue spangled scarf; Miss Bayly, pretty green silk; Miss Wallcutt, white muslin; Miss Wrigley, cream skirt, and lace blouse. Among the gentlemen were: Messrs McLeod, Georgetti, English, Stevens, White, Talhoun, McGuire, A. H. Hyde, Dr. Hyde, Messrs Cork and Totman.

ZILLAH.

ROTORUA.

September 15.

Mr. Alexander, of Wellington, Mr. and Mrs. and Master Seecombe, Mr. and Mrs. Garrick, Mr. and Mrs. Green, Mr. Quarterly, Mr. Gardner, of Auckland, Mrs. Izard and Mrs. Polton, from Christchurch, Miss Dalrymple, from Wanganui, Mr. and Mrs. C. Mulville, Mr. W. Mulville, from Wellington, are staying at Waitera House.

Mr. and Mrs. Brickscott, of Adelaide, Dr. and Mrs. Hoysted, of Melbourne, Mr. C. Lucas, from Sydney, Mrs. and the Misses Coles, from Auckland, Mr. H. H. Kimbar, from Melbourne, Mr. A. L. Butler, Mrs. R. Irvine, from New York, Dr. Krauss, Chief Justice of Samoa, Mr. and Misses (2) McIlwraith, of Melbourne, Mr. Nation, of Auckland, are staying at Geysers Hotel.

Mrs. W. A. Carter has taken her children to Russell for a change.

Mrs. W. R. Blow and daughter have left for Wellington, to spend a three week's holiday.

Mrs. F. Dyer has returned to Wellington, after spending a fortnight in Rotorua.

Mr. Hart, of Pahiatua, Mr. Barry, of Gisborne, Messrs. Autfrey and Cellier, of England, Mr. Duncaif, from Tauranga, Mr. and Mrs. Woodward, Mrs. Elliott Davis, of Auckland, Mr. and Mrs. Fitzgerald, Mr. Morley, Messrs. Raphael, of London, Mrs. McGrath and Miss Wilkinson, from Wellington, Mr. Pugh, from Hamilton, are staying at the Grand Hotel.

Mr. Johnson, from Auckland, Miss Norman, from Auckland, Mr. Tanner, of Wanganui, Mr. Matthews, of Gisborne, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Rutherford, of Canterbury, Mr. Komvics, of Pahiatua, Mr. Foster, of Pahiatua, Mr. Ashwin, of Cambridge, Mr. Latts, of Hawke's Bay, Mr. Francis, from London, Mr. and Mrs. Bantler, from Gisborne, Mrs. Haynes and Miss Jones, from Sydney, Miss Badger, of Tauranga, Miss Judd, Miss Evans, from Wellington, Mr. Astley, Mr. Gloister, Mr. Caughy, from Auckland, Mr. Cable, from Wellington, are staying at Brou's.

Mr. and Mrs. Purvis, of Devonport, Mr. and Mrs. McPherson, from the Wairarapa, Mr. Matthews, of Manchester, England, Miss McDonald, Miss Wilson, of Christchurch, Mr. and Mrs. Burton, of Auckland, Mr. and Mrs. Tate, from London, Mrs. Leo Myers, son and daughter, of Auckland, Mr. and Mrs. Miss Buckland, of Auckland, Misses Douglas (2), Mr. and Mrs. Slattery, Mrs. and Miss Hutchings, Mr. and Mrs. Johnson, from Wellington, Mr. and Mrs. Flattery, of Wellington, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Johnson, of Te Anau, Misses Jeffries and Brew, from London, are staying at Grand Vue.

RATA.

TE KUITI.

September 15.

Bachelors' At Home.

Quite the most important social function ever held in the King Country was the "At Home" given last Friday by the bachelors of Te Kuiti and immediate surroundings. Visitors from all parts of the Dominion were present, including Sir James Carroll and Mr. Wm. Jennings, M.P. The Skating Rink was transformed into a beautiful ballroom. The whole of the walls were most artistically decorated with nikan palms, ferns, Chinese lanterns, and bunting. At the entrance, on either side of the hall, were two small platforms, which were tastefully furnished with easy chairs and lounges for the chaperons. At one corner of the hall a bower of fernery contained claret cup-boards and all kinds of cool drinks. A large marquee was used as a sitting-out room, which was also beautifully decorated with ferns and native shrubs, softly lit with Chinese lanterns. In another marquee a splendid supper was served. The music was supplied by Henley's Orchestra from Palmerston North, so that with good music and a perfect floor everything

went merrily until the small hours of the morning. The whole turnout was perfect in every detail, and the bachelors are to be highly congratulated on the immense success of their efforts. To the joint secretaries, Messrs. Cochrane and St. Hill, a special compliment must be paid for their excellent management. Among the large number of ladies present I noticed the following:—Mrs. Broadfoot, white Duchesse satin; Miss Chudleigh (Christchurch), white charmuse relieved with red; Mrs. Moslyn Jones, ivory satin; Mrs. Byrt Jordan, white silk, pale blue silk fringe; Miss Westmacott (Christchurch), white charmuse and ninon; Miss Shannon (Feilding), pale blue satin; Mrs. Millar, dainty gown of vieux rose satin; Mrs. Cory Matthews, pale pink chiffon taffeta; Miss Coeks (Cambridge), pale pink crystalline; Miss Wyatt (Feilding), apple-green satin; Miss Grattan, white silk; Miss Kirtton (Feilding), white satin; Mrs. Cowern, cream charmuse; Mrs. Kirk, pale green silk, overdress of sequin net; Mrs. Reynolds, vieux rose silk; Miss Wildman (Auckland), white satin, overdress of white silk net; Mrs. Cheal, hand-painted white chiffon, overdress of ninon; Mrs. Staudish, black velvet; Mrs. Alfred Julian, pale heliotrope satin, overdress of black silk net; Mrs. Pine, black silk; Miss Pine, black silk; Miss L. Pine, cream voile; Mrs. Arthur Johnstone, black velvet; Miss Simcock, vieux rose silk; Miss Stott, pale blue satin; Miss Hunt, green silk; Mrs. James, sky-blue silk; Miss King, pale pink silk; Mrs. Kerr, white silk; Miss Kerr, pink silk; Mrs. O'Brien, white silk; Miss Melling, pink silk; Mrs. Melling, black silk; Mrs. Wranfield, pale blue charmuse; Miss Graham, pale pink satin, overdress of white silk net; Miss Ivy Graham, cream satin; Miss Ellison (debutante), soft white silk, pearl trimming; Mrs. Robert Sommerville wore her wedding dress of white charmuse, pearl trimming; Miss Sellars (Auckland), pale grey ninon; Mrs. Gadsby, black silk voile; Mrs. Hyde (Hamilton), white satin; Mrs. Goig (Hamilton), pale heliotrope satin; Mrs. Alex. Johnstone, Coronation blue satin, overdress of black silk ninon; Miss Johnstone (Auckland), pale blue silk; Miss McKenzie, cream palette silk, pearl and sequin trimming; Miss Boddie, white silk; Miss McGovern (Te Awamutu), white charmuse and ninon overdress, pearl trimming; Mrs. Vercoe, black velvet, square-cut bodice, deep collar of opal trimming; Mrs. Hitchcock, white silk; Mrs. Clapham, white silk; Mrs. Lundon (Auckland), pale pink satin; Miss Schierff (Auckland), pale pink ninon and silk; Mrs. Georgetti (Hamilton), beautiful dress of green, satin, overdress of lovely embroidery; Miss McAlbin (Hamilton), white satin overdress of crystal net; Miss Gould, white silk; Miss — Gould, white silk; Miss Nash, black silk, red flowers; Miss Irons (Wellington), pale blue crepe de chine; Mrs. Wright (Te Awamutu), natter blue satin; Mrs. Stevens, cream satin, lace overdress; Miss Board, white silk; Miss K. Board, pale green silk; Mrs. Gresham (Auckland), apricot silk; Mrs. Zolbel, cream lace over yellow silk; Miss McMill, pale pink satin; Mrs. Warrow, violet velvet; Mrs. Forsyth, black silk; Miss Jordan, black silk; Mrs. I. J. Jones, white silk; Mrs. Bayly, turquoise velvet; Mrs. Lissman, heliotrope silk voile; Miss Honan, blue silk; Mrs. Spencer, claret silk; Miss Spencer, cream silk; Miss James, pale blue satin.

RITA.

GISBORNE.

September 10.

Juvenile Dance.

A large juvenile dance was arranged by Mrs. Jex Blake for last Friday evening, and proved a very great success. About 150 juveniles were present, some quite tiny tots, and when all were dancing the hall presented quite a fairyland appearance. A good number of grown-ups were present, amongst them being: Mrs. Jex Blake, wearing pale blue satin, tunic of blue ninon, silver fringing; Mrs. Hine, black velvet evening gown; Mrs. Barns-Graham, black chiffon, overdress Spanish lace, jet fringing; Mrs. Ackroyd, grey velvet gown; Mrs. Sherratt, pink satin, tunic and bodice of Paris lace; Mrs. W. Smith, black velvet gown; Mrs. Stephenson, lemon satin; Mrs. H. Williams, cinnamon Roman satin and lace touches; Mrs. Stack, black silk gown; Mrs. Seymour, black silk chiffon taffeta; Mrs. Bramson, black velvet gown; Mrs. R. Murphy, cream satin gown; Mrs. Henderson, black silk, crimson roses; Mrs. Winter, black velvet gown; Miss

Nolan, black silk, berthe of emerald green silk; Miss Pyke, pale heliotrope floral silk; Miss Murray, black velvet; Miss Agnew-Brown, pink silk; Miss Sherratt, black silk; Miss Williams, cream silk gown; Miss Ackroyd, black velvet, silver girdle; Miss Davies, cream silk, Lisse gown; Miss N. Davies, white silk; Miss Hine, cream satin gown; Miss Evans, vieux rose silk gown; Mrs. Blair, pink silk; Mrs. H. de Latour, shell-pink satin and lace; Mrs. Field, cream satin; Mrs. Murray, black silk gown; Miss de Latour, cream voile, piped black velvet; Miss Falconer, pink silk; Miss D. Falconer, cream silk; Mrs. A. Ross, black silk; Miss M. Ross, cream silk; Mrs. Traill, cream satin; Miss Bright, blue satin; Messrs. Curtis, Babant, O'Brien, Kells, Jeffries, Busby, G. Willcock, H. de Latour, Murphy, Henderson, Coote, Cowan, Schiering, Traill, Hamilton, etc.

ELSA.

FEILDING.

September 14th.

A Dance.

A very enjoyable subscription dance, got up by Miss Long as a wind-up to her dancing classes, was held in the Parish Hall last Tuesday. The supper table was prettily decorated with yellow daffodils. There were a great number present. Some of the children (who were in fancy dress) were: Beatrice Dermer, Japanese lady; Meg. Knyvett, butterfly; Theo. Knyvett, forget-me-not; Betty Roberts, school-girl; Dulcie McGuire, Old Mother Hubbard; Tul Gieson, grandmamma; Jenn Gieson; Kate Greenaway; Gwen Jackson, Japanese girl; Doris Jackson, flower girl; M. Buchanan, Dutch girl; Gordon Campbell, scout; Clifford Gieson, flour bag; Don Perry, Highlander; Russell Gieson, jockey; Miss Long, pretty silk frock, silver trimming; Mrs. Long, black velvet, white lace; Mrs. Montgomery, grey silk; Mrs. Walker, black; Mrs. Atkinson, black lace; Mrs. Hault, black frock, blue scarf; Mrs. Gillespie, rose satin, overdress of floral chiffon; Mrs. Horrocks, blue satin, overdress of fisher-net; Mrs. Glasgow, white frock, green scarf; Miss Wyatt, green satin, steel trimming; Miss Johnson, pale pink; Miss O'Halloran, pale pink taffeta; Miss Foote, white taffeta; Miss Walker, black velvet; Miss Levin, ruby velvet, point lace berthe; Miss Burrell, pretty white satin frock; Miss Shannon, pale green, tunic of blue ninon; Miss Jones, pale green, overdress of chiffon; Miss Dewes, pretty blue velvet, handsome overdress of jewelled ninon; Miss E. Bruce, pale pink with silver trimming; Miss Hill, white muslin; Miss Haybittle, pale blue, satin bands in hair; Miss Haybittle, white ninon, white bows in hair. Messrs. Long, Dermer, Knyvett, Perry, Foote, Hault, Shannon, Luxmoor, Davy, Hawk, Karkett, Fletcher, Atkinson, Horrocks, Roberts, Glasgow, Gillespie, Taylor, Mills.

Personal.

Nurse Linton (Palmerston) is the guest of Mrs. Barton.

Mrs. Aylmer has returned from Wanganui.

Miss Wyatt has returned from her holiday.

Mr and Mrs. Hill have returned from their holiday.

Miss Smith (Palmerston) is the guest of Mrs. Long.

TUI.

HASTINGS.

September 15.

The organisers are to be congratulated on the very fine bull show which was held in St. Matthew's Hall this afternoon. A slight drizzle set in early in the afternoon, marring the attendance to a great extent. A very delicious afternoon was provided by the ladies.

There have been several parties for young people this week. Miss Symes gave an afternoon in honour of her niece, and Mrs. Hurley (Bank N.S.W.) gave a young folks party on Friday afternoon.

Personal.

Miss E. Macfarlane, Olive Grange, has returned from Gisborne.

The friends of Mr and Mrs J. A. Miller will be pleased to hear that their little son (Max) who has been seriously ill is now making a good recovery.

Mrs. Duncan (Dunedin) is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Wallace, Omatu road.

Mr and Mrs. and Miss Turnbull, "Keraru," are visiting Dunedin.

Miss Nairn has gone to Napier for a short holiday.

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