

Among the guests was Mrs. Anderson, who had come up from Christchurch for her son's marriage, and was staying with Mrs. Bristow. She wore black crepe de chine draped with lace; Miss Anderson's dress was of changeant charmeuse in tones of opal and electric blue. Among the near relatives present were: Mrs. Milward (Wanganui), black ninon embroidered in jet; Mrs. Napier (Auckland), acid blue taffetas, the coloured embroideries enhanced with paillettes.

Farewell Teas.

Several teas were given as farewells to Miss Cooper, but one of them, where Mrs. Turnbull was hostess, the bride-elect was suffering from a severe cold and was unable to be present. Violets, narcissus, and daphne decorated the rooms, and as each guest brought a contribution of linen, Miss Cooper received many charming gifts. Mrs. Turnbull wore black ninon inlet with lace over white satin, with embroideries in pale blue. Her daughter, Mrs. Arthur Cooper, was in floral taffetas veiled in pale blue ninon; Miss Turnbull had on a lingerie robe of lawn and lace; her two younger sisters had picture frocks of pale blue charmeuse with quaint flecks of muslin.

Personal.

Three important weddings during the week brought a good many visitors to Wellington. Staying with Mrs. Bristow for the great occasion were Mrs. Anderson (Christchurch) and Mrs. Napier, from Auckland. The Misses Anderson were guests of Mrs. Ewen. Then for the same purpose came Mrs. and Miss Bowen from Napier (who stayed with Mrs. Seed).

Mr. Justice Cooper had a large house party for his daughter's marriage, including Mrs. Gilray (Dunedin), Miss Seed (England), Miss Neville (Blenheim), in addition to his son, Mr. A. Cooper, and the latter's wife, who had come from Hamilton, and Mr. B. Cooper.

As Mrs. Theo. Cooper and the Misses Ella, and Hilda Cooper are still in England, Mrs. Gilroy, sen., and Mrs. Turnbull, who is Mrs. Arthur Cooper's mother, assisted their host in entertaining. Mrs. Barnett (Wanganui), who is the bride's aunt, was also in Wellington for the wedding.

Mrs. Bullance (Wanganui) and Mrs. Milward (Wanganui) came to Wellington specially for the marriage of Miss Martin and Mr. Anderson.

Lady Findlay, who with her two younger sons has gone to England for the boys' education, had many friends to see her off on Thursday morning, and her cabin on the Ruapehu was fragrant with farwells posies of violets and freesias.

CAMBRIDGE.

Mrs. and Miss Caldwell, who came up for the marriage of Miss Taylor here, returned to Auckland, and are again staying at "Cargen." Mr. Caldwell has remained in Cambridge.

Miss Cecil Willis returned home on Saturday, after a stay in Auckland of three weeks.

Archdeacon Walsh returned to Cambridge on Wednesday after spending a few weeks in Auckland.

Miss Dunne returned from her holiday on Thursday, which she spent in Auckland.

Miss Duffin, of Auckland, is spending her holidays in Cambridge, and is staying with Mrs. Chitty at "The Willows."

Mr. and Mrs. Mervyn Wells have gone to Auckland for a few days.

HAMILTON.

Bridge.

A very cold and stormy evening was the one on which Mrs. Douglas, Miss Rothwell, and Mrs. F. Wilson had arranged the second bridge evening in aid of the Hamilton Croquet Club. This fact greatly affected the attendance. Mrs. Totman carried off the pretty ladies' prize, Mr. Shepherd winning the men's. Mrs. Douglas received her guests in white silk blouse and black silk skirt; Mrs. Wilson wore black taffeta silk; Miss Rothwell, black silk voile trained dress, with lace yoke and sleeves. Among the players were: Mrs. Ewen, in black velvet gown; Mrs. Ferguson, pretty blue grey Empire frock, blue chiffon waists; Mrs. Watt, pale blue silk, cream silk scarf; Mrs. English, cream silk; Mrs. Greenhalde, black silk stripe, relieved with cream lace; Mrs. Totman, navy blue charmeuse, with lace yoke; Mrs. Stevens, black silk; Miss Stevens, myrtle green silk, with

blue piping; Mrs. Shepherd, pale pink Sicilian, prettily tucked; Mrs. Tompkins, black velvet trained frock; Mrs. Smith, navy charmeuse, with metallic embroidery, navy scarf; Mrs. King, cream cloth, with touches of black; Mrs. Carter, grey ninon over blue; Miss Wrigley, cream embroidered frock. The next gathering of the series will be at Mrs. A. Hyde's on July 12th, at 2.30, when progressive five hundred will be played.

Dance.

A dance was given by Mrs. Oliver at "Wartle" on Thursday last, in honour of the debut of Miss Amy Oliver. The continual bad weather kept many friends away from what was a jolly dance. Mrs. Oliver received her guests in pretty black silk; Miss Margaret Oliver wore pale blue taffeta, with oriental insertion; Miss Amy Oliver, dainty white silk trimme dwith insertion and fringe; Misses Oliver, white muslin; Mrs. Smith, pale blue charmeuse; Miss Rutherford, white taffeta silk, with bead trimming; Miss Ryder, pale blue silk, veiled in pale blue and silver net.

Personal.

Miss Newell is spending a few days in town.

Miss Holden (Thames) has been staying with Mrs. S. Ferguson for a short visit.

Mrs. and Miss Furze have gone to Auckland for a few days, and intend seeing "Ben Hur."

Mr. and Mrs. Noble left on Monday for a trip to Sydney.

GISBORNE.

June 29.

Mrs. J. Henderson gave a very jolly two-step party at her house last Tuesday evening. It was quite a novel thing for Gisborne, and dancing was indulged in on their large verandah. A most enjoyable evening was spent by all those present. Mrs. Henderson received her guests in a pretty white face cloth. Those present were: Mrs. J. Field, Mrs. J. Blair, Mrs. Agnew Brown, Mrs. A. Murray, Mrs. R. V. Gully, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Jess-Blake, Mrs. Traill, Mrs. Dods, Mrs. Callis, Misses Bull, de Lautour (2), Evans, Murray, Talkner, Greig, and Nathan (Auckland), Jamieson (Christchurch), Nolan, Rees, Schumacher, Black, Bennett, Davies, Messrs. Kellis, O'Brian, Nolan, Gully, Dods, Hamilton, Wilcock, Jeffries, Smith, Pascoe, Wells, Dodgshun, Callis.

NAPIER.

June 29th.

At the Races.

The Napier Park Racing Club held their Winter Meeting last Wednesday and Thursday. On the first day the weather was perfect, more like spring than winter, but Thursday was overcast and bitterly cold. Mrs. Wilfred Stead was wearing a tweed tailormade, long fur coat, black hat; Mrs. S. H. Lowry, navy blue tailormade with soutache braid, black and emerald hat, gray furs; Mrs. Russell Grace (Pahiatua), green coat and skirt, sable toque; Mrs. Arthur Russell, smoke blue cloth, black hat; Mrs. F. Armstrong (Dannevirke), blue coat and skirt, black hat; Mrs. Swan, navy blue, black hat; Mrs. John McVay, long seal-skin coat, black bonnet, with white osprey; Mrs. F. Douglas, purple frock, hat to match; Mrs. C. Bennett, gray, gray and black hat; Mrs. Hassell, cherry-coloured frock, black hat with wings; Mrs. Reed, blue, braided with soutache, black hat with wings; Mrs. Moeller, electric blue tailormade, large black hat; Mrs. Nantes, blue coat and skirt, hat with cream feathers; Mrs. Jowat, blue, gray fur hat; Mrs. Oliver, black and white check tweed, black and white hat; Mrs. Roach, navy blue, black hat; Mrs. Knox (England), grey cloth frock, black hat, with plumes; Mrs. Hugh Campbell, heather mixture tweed, fawn hat with blue wings; Mrs. Warren, mole frock, mole and black hat; Mrs. J. Armstrong (Dannevirke), heather mixture coat and skirt, tweed hat with mount; Mrs. H. Gaisford (Dannevirke), navy blue, black hat with wings; Mrs. J. Gaisford, blue, black hat; Miss Drury, blue, black hat with natter blue wings; Miss Mason, blue frock, hat with white wings; Miss Cameron (Wanganui), navy blue, black hat; Miss Smith, blue, white fur hat; Miss Moeller, green costume, brown fur hat; Miss Hindmarsh, bright blue tailormade, hat to match; Miss M. Hindmarsh, blue, black and blue hat; Miss C. Hindmarsh, grey braided frock, grey hat; Miss Keubell (Wairarapa), natter blue, black hat with blue; Miss J. Crosse, navy blue tailormade, black

beaver hat; Miss G. McVay, brown tweed, brown velvet hat with wings; Miss Dewes, grey coat and skirt, grey hat.

A Dance.

Mrs. Leslie McHardy, George Street, gave a small dance last week. Only young people were invited, and they all had a most enjoyable time. Those present were: Miss Hartgill, Miss Niven, Miss Crosse, Misses Mason (2), Miss Bernau, Misses Hindmarsh (3), Miss Hoadley, Miss Brown, Miss R. and V. Humphries, Miss Dewes, Miss Morcroft, Miss Lusk.

Assembly.

On Thursday the second of the winter assemblies took place. The hall was prettily decorated with palms, flags and coloured draperies, and rose-coloured shades cast a becoming glow over everything. Amongst those present I noticed: Mrs. Leslie McHardy, handsome black jet frock; Mrs. Edgar, pink satin, net over-

dress with silver trimming; Mrs. A. C. Russell, pink and heliotrope; Mrs. Ewen Troutbeck, cream lace with sky blue silk; Mrs. Hawkins, coral silk pink ninon overdress; Mrs. Ziele, black and emerald green; Mrs. A. Browne, old rose satin frock, handsome lace tunic; Miss Moeller, pale pink chiffon; Miss McHardy, pink frock; Miss M. Hindmarsh, black; Miss C. Hindmarsh, white satin veiled with Royal blue ninon; Miss Lipscomb, natter blue frock; Miss Lusk, tangerine and white; Mrs. Sandtmann, old rose with silver fringe; Miss Whiteley, lavender ninon over pink satin; Miss Dewes, white spangled net; Miss Bernau, white satin; Miss Tonkin, white silk; Miss Crosse, maize ninon; Miss Snodgrass, pale blue; Miss L. Snodgrass, cinnamon brown.

Golf.

Last Saturday the Ladies' Club played a medal round over the short course. There were a good number of players.

On Thursday the first round for the captain's trophy was played.



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