

**Golf Fields.**

The unmarried lady members of the golf club gave a picnic to the married ladies on the links on Wednesday last. Mrs Hume and Mrs Mahan were the successful players at the foursomes, Mrs Arthur Story the twosomes, Mrs Douglas the driving competition, and Mesdames Yule and Whitejaw tied in the approaching and putting.

**Personal.**

Miss Howard (Marion) has been visiting Mrs P. P. White.  
Mrs Watts has taken her children to Rotorua for a few weeks.  
Miss Brown (Palmerston North) stayed a few days only after the Benedict's Ball with Mrs A. Hyde.  
Miss Wells (Cambridge) stayed with Mrs Anderson for the ball.  
Mrs Brewis has returned after a few days in Auckland with her girls.  
Mrs Mears has gone to Auckland for a fortnight.  
Miss Esma Wilson-Smith has been the guest of Mrs Greenslade for a few days.

**CAMBRIDGE.**

August 10.

**Leap Year Dance.**

On Friday evening a most successful and novel Leap Year dance was held in the Town Hall. Each lady had to ask a gentleman to the dance, and he was responsible for seeing that her programme was filled. The gentlemen's partners were written in the ladies programmes, but only crosses were put on the gentleman's programmes so they had to sit and wait until the ladies came to claim them. It caused an endless amount of fun, they all seemed to enter into the spirit of the thing, and it went with a swing. Amongst those present were Mrs Caldwell in white taffeta with overdress of white floral nylon in shades of pink and blue, and pink silver belt, the bodice edged with pink and blue embroidery; Mrs. London, black satin charmeuse and coat of tenebra green; Mrs. R. J. Roberts, black silk and lace gown, and handsome coat of royal blue and black brocade; Mrs. Meredith, black spotted net gown over white girdle; Mrs. E. Fraser, pale blue nylon tunic over white satin; Mrs. Sawyers, white satin gown; Mrs. Nelson, blue voile with cream vest; Mrs. Holbech, pale blue satin with tunic of floral nylon; Mrs. Noel Peake, white silk and lace gown; Mrs. Norman Banks, white crepe de chine frock with gold trimmings; Miss Jay, black and royal blue silk trimmed with handsome embroidery; Miss Bolard, pale blue silk; Miss Caldwell, primrose satin with tunic of pale blue nylon trimmed with silk, tunic caught up with bunches of blue forget-me-nots and pale pink roses, the same flowers were worn on a bandeau in her hair; Miss E. Buckleton (Auckland), pale pink and cream floral voile, with lace belt; Miss Roberts, pale blue frock with point lace berthe; Miss B. Taylor, pale pink silk crepe frock; Miss Taylor, goblin blue silk with lovely iridescent trimming; Miss Landon, emerald green voile frock; Miss A. Landon, black velvet with white tucker; Miss Wells, primrose nylon overdress over terra cotta silk and trimmed with Oriental embroidery; Miss H. Wells, white satin charmeuse with tunic of white nylon trimmed with silver and crimson roses in her belt; Miss Ida Pickering, heliotrope silk with white lace berthe; Miss Wilson-Smith, pale blue satin with pink roses in her hair; Miss Bar-tow (Auckland), pale pink satin with tunic of floral pink nylon, and pink satin sach; Miss M. Hesketh (Auckland) gold satin charmeuse, with shoes to match; Miss Cox, pale pink silk; Mrs. A. Tabulous, pale pink voile trimmed with cream lace; Miss Stephenson, crimson satin; Miss Hill, pink voile trimmed with claret coloured velvet; Miss Clark, white silk with overdress of white nylon spotted with black; Miss Middleton, white silk trimmed with lace; Miss Keys, natter blue silk with panel of white lace; Miss Brooks, white silk, white silk coat trimmed with pink and blue embroidery; Miss Gwinther, black satin and net gown, blue coat trimmed with brown fur; Miss Florence Cox, white muslin.

**Personal.**

The Rev. J. Strong, of St. John's is the guest of the Rev. C. Mortimer-Jones, at the Vbarage, Cambridge.  
Archdeacon and Mrs. Willis, and Mr. Frank Willis returned from Auckland yesterday.

Mrs. A. B. Herold arrived yesterday, and is staying with her sister, Mrs. A. H. Nicoll.

Miss E. Barstow, and Miss M. Hesketh are staying with Mrs. Holbech of Grindale, Cambridge.

There is to be quite an influx of visitors to Cambridge next week, for golf and the Hunt Club ball, and rooms are not now to be had for love or money.

**WAIUKU.**

August 10.

A very enjoyable ball was given in the Hall by the Benedicts of Waikuku. The committee are to be congratulated on the arrangements made to promote the enjoyment of their guests. The duties of M.C.'s were ably carried out by Messrs T. Hair and S. V. Barriball. The ball-room was decorated with nikau palms, and festoons of light bush greenery. The supper-room and tables were the work of the ladies, and were decorated with early spring flowers, and asparagus. Although the weather was rather disappointing, a large number of guests were present, and all spent a most delightful evening.

Among those present were:—Mrs Dr. Howden, wearing a beautiful shade of brown velvet, with trimming to match, and cream lace yoke; Miss Garland, stylish gown of grey charmeuse; Mrs C. Motoin, a pretty frock of grey silk, veiled with figured lace; Mrs Bernaby, a cream dress, with overskirt bordered with silk fringe; Mrs Cromwell, a cream satin, with cream overskirt and fringe; Mrs Herald, a beautiful shade of green velvet; Mrs Emsley, an effective toilet in grey; Mrs Mollitt, blue colienne, tucked net yoke and black girdle; Mrs V. Barriball, silk voile with tunic; Mrs Makgill, a charming blue frock; Mrs H. Webster, a dainty dress of cream satin veiled with black lace; Mrs Shakespear, a white charmeuse with spray of violets; Mrs Reid, cream, with beautiful vlex-rose evening coat; Mrs E. C. Barriball, shell pink, with sequins; Miss Lowe, in a dainty blue, veiled with dewdrop net; Miss Little (Auckland), white satin with silver trimming; Miss Malloy (Auckland), cream taffeta with sequin trimming; Miss Currie, cream mery silk; Miss Brown, figured silk with lace finishings; Miss Bossiter, a pretty frock of cream Oriental satin; Mrs Williamson, dainty dress of cream charmeuse; Miss Jeffries, striped silk voile in heliotrope; Miss Sharples, grey; Miss May, cream embroidered frock; Misses Hamilton, in uncommon shades of pink silk, with cream nylon tunics, a pink rosette in hair; Miss Bright, blue, with black girdle; Miss Harris, cream, relieved with black; Miss Bodley (Morrinsville), cream silk, prettily trimmed with lace; Miss Walters (Papakura), white muslin, with crossover bodice and violet spray; Miss Barriball, embroidered white muslin; Miss Johnson, cream taffeta; Miss C. Barriball, pink flowered voile; Miss D. Barriball, white silk; Miss Curran, blue charmeuse; Miss Paris, beautiful cream satin.

**TAURANGA.**

August 7.

**Ball at Opera House.**

On Friday evening Mr and Mrs Lyssaght gave a delightful ball in the Opera House, to celebrate the coming-of-age of Miss Nelson. The evening was a perfect one for dancing, and the Opera House was most beautifully decorated with drapery, flags, and masses of palms, bamboo, and wattle. Warm carpets and cosy chairs covered the stage, and in most unexpected places behind screens and under shady palms tempting seats were to be found. A side room was fitted up for the bridge players, and was much appreciated by chaperons. The supper-table looked lovely arranged with yellow and white jonquils and violets. Mrs Lyssaght wore a beautiful gown of rich silk in a pale blue saxe colour, the bodice draped with real lace. She was assisted in her duties as hostess, by Miss Nelson, who wore a pretty dress of rose pink silk, with a large fichu of cream chiffon, in the folds of which nestled dainty rosebuds. Many handsome dresses were worn by the various guests, and it would be quite impossible to describe them and do justice to all. Some I noticed were: Mrs Bewes, in white silk, with Indian embroidery; Mrs Mayfield, in black silk veiled with net, the bodice being relieved by ivory-tinted old lace; Mrs Ashworth, a handsome emerald green satin, the sides and long train veiled with net, embroidered with jet, the front of the dress richly embroidered with seed pearls; Mrs Pease, in white satin and beautiful lace; Mrs

Shearman, white satin and lovely jewelled insertion and lace; Mrs Baigent, old rose silk, veiled with jet, nylon and Oriental trimmings; Mrs Horne, black mercerised silk; Mrs Samuel, flowered muslin; Mrs Bucknill, white satin, with champagne nylon tunic, trimmed with rich maltese lace; Mrs Tunks, pale pink silk, with overdress of white chiffon and bands of silver; Mrs Asser, white satin and spangled net; Mrs Cromer-Roberts, black velvet; Mrs Cyril Jordan, pink silk; Mrs W. Jordan, black silk; Mrs Fulwell, heliotrope floral nylon; Mrs Carmichael, cream silk; Mrs Hoyte, black silk; Mrs Brabant, white silk; Mrs Merriles, pink silk; Mrs Poole, white silk; Mrs Robbins, black silk; Mrs G. Brown, cream satin; Mrs MacMillan, black silk; Mrs Bowden, cream silk; Miss Carte, spangled nylon over pale pink silk and touches of black velvet; Miss Litten, white silk and silver trimmings; Miss Horne, pale blue charmeuse, with jewelled embroidery; Miss Christopher (Te Puke), cream silk; Miss Jordan, rose crepe; Miss Simpson, white mercerised silk and red roses; Miss Badger, pale pink satin; Miss Myrtle Badger, white silk, with overdress of gold-beaded nylon; Miss Samuel, white silk, veiled with pale blue dewdrop net; Miss Dorothy Samuel (debutante), white crepe; Miss Wrigley, old gold silk tunic of gold-beaded black nylon; Miss Snodgrass, black velvet. There were also present: Major Mayfield, Dr. Bucknill, Dr. Bewes, Messrs Robison, Robbins, Brabant, Poole, G. Brown, Curtis, Baigent, Darby, Brabant, Ellis, Lyon, Patterson (Auckland), Tudhope, A. Dickie, Miriams, Ashworth, Mathieson, Herne, Houston (Te Puke), Foster, Dodson, Jordan, Bowden, Asser, MacMillan, Hickson, Shearman, Southey, Snodgrass, Pease, Tannaway, Stephens, Falwell, Carmichael, Tollemache, Merriles, Tunks, and a number of others.

**Concert.**

The concert arranged by Mrs Mayfield at Bethlehem, in aid of the Maori Girls' School in Auckland, was a great success. The school-house was packed, and the musical programme went off splendidly, much to the enjoyment of those present. Mrs Mayfield worked hard, and was rewarded by being able to hand a substantial cheque to the school.

**Personal.**

Mr Curtis, the popular manager of the Bank of Australasia, has received notice of his transfer to Rotorua shortly. During his stay here, Mr Curtis has taken a keen interest in sport and social matters, and will be greatly missed by his numerous friends.

**PAEROA.**

August 10.

A most enjoyable farewell tea for Mrs. Murphy was given by Mrs. Hugh Poland at "Moirs," Paeroa, on Thursday. The rooms were daintily decorated with yellow daffodils and violets, and the same colour scheme was carried out on the afternoon tea tables. Mrs. Poland received her guests in a pretty pale grey gown, and was assisted by Mrs. Dean. Amongst those present were: Mrs. Murphy, smart navy costume; Mrs. McAndrew, black; Mrs. Edwards, black and white; Mrs. D. Craig (Auckland), navy cloth; Mrs. S. Craig, brown dress with brown furs; Mrs. Black, cream, cream and black hat; Mrs. Hubbard, black; Mrs. Smith, purple costume; Mrs. Aitken, navy coat and skirt; Mrs. de Castro, grey tweed costume; Mrs. H. Bush, navy costume, with natter blue racing, black beaver hat; Mrs. Hanna (Te Aroha), black and white gown; Mrs. J. Hanna, pretty cream costume, black beaver hat; Mrs. E. Quick, grey and white gown; Mrs. Brunskill (Kati Kati), black cloth coat and skirt; Mrs. Sommerville, brown, smart blue hat; Miss Hubbard, navy costume and hat; Miss Shaw, brown tweed; Miss Hague-Smith, fawn, black hat; Miss Edwards, cream frock with touches of blue; Miss Marion Aitken, grey, brown fur hat; Misses Craig, Shaw, McAndrew, Kenny.

**GISBORNE.**

August 8.

**The Military Ball.**

The Garrison Ball at the Garrison Hall last Thursday was attended by the largest gathering which has ever been seen at a similar function in Gisborne. The ball was opened with the grand march, which was led off by Major Beere and Mrs Bishop, who were followed by Major Evans and Mrs Wilson, Captain Skelly

and Mrs Dewman, Captain Hamilton and Miss Dowman, Lieut. Poynter and Mrs Cumming, Surgeon-Captain Williams and Mrs Williams, Lieut. Mitchell and Mrs Spragg, and Captain Pascoe and Mrs Trail, these forming the official set in the laucers, which followed the grand march. It would be quite impossible to describe all the numerous dresses worn. Some of those present were: Mrs Winter, black satin and jet; Mrs C. Spragg, black chiffon taffetas; Mrs E. Cumming, cream nylon, corsage and sleeves silk Maltese; Miss S. Evans, vieux rose, tunic of gold tosea net; Mrs G. Wilson, pale blue charmeuse; Mrs H. Kenway, pale blue satin overdress of sequins; Miss B. Blacky, white net over satin; Miss L. Coleman, pale pink nylon over pink satin; Mrs Zachariah, pale blue satin, tunic of silver net; Miss Elliot, grey crepe de chine; Miss Faulkner, black silk, with white lace berthe; Miss D. Bull, emerald green nylon over white satin; Mrs C. Adair, white satin; Mrs Branson, black satin, with short tunic of jet; Miss M. Faulkner, canary coloured satin, and silver trimming; Nurse Smith, white muslin; Mrs Sheridan, pale blue charmeuse; Miss D. Bennett, pale pink nylon over pink satin, silver trimming; Miss Akroyd, black velvet and jet; Miss Bousfield, white satin, tunic of dewdrop net; Mrs Hope, black velvet; Mrs C. Buecke, white marquise draped with nylon and bugle trimming; Miss Sweet, pale pink satin, trimmed with ruchings of the same; Miss Ina Lewis, pale blue satin, overdress of grey nylon, finished with ball fringe; Mrs H. M. Porter, black and floral satin; Miss J. Cumming, pale pink satin, tunic of gold dewdrop net; Mrs W. McCreddie, black velvet and silver; Miss N. McCreddie, mauve silk, overdress of silver; Miss M. Dunlop, white satin, tunic of painted chiffon; Miss V. Butler, pale pink charmeuse; Mrs C. Scott, vieux rose satin, tunic of nylon in lighter shade; Mrs J. Dols, dove grey charmeuse, with overdress of royal chiffon; Mrs J. Williams, cream satin and gold panel front; Mrs Murray, saxe blue cashmere, Oriental embroidery; Miss Murray, black velvet; Miss Ina Sweet, white satin; Miss MacLaurin, salmon-pink crepe de chine; Miss Hine, red silk; Miss Browne, white satin; Miss Chrisp, pale pink chiffon over satin of same shade; Mrs P. Trail, pale blue satin, overdress of pale pink chiffon; Miss Q. Graham, pale pink nylon; Miss M. Rees, white satin, tunic of gold tosea net; Mrs Collis, white satin; Mrs E. Adair, pale pink satin; Miss L. King, pale blue nylon and silver; Mrs F. Parker, black velvet; Miss K. Sherratt, white satin with gold fringe; Miss Mackenzie, pale blue satin and silver fringe; Mrs Dawson Thomas, white satin; Mrs A. J. Henderson, black satin and jet, with touches of cerise; Miss M. Walker, white silk, bugle trimming; Miss M. Beere, cream satin, with gold ball fringe.

**On the Links.**

Numbers of people were up at golf on Saturday, great interest being taken in the first round of the men's championship. A dainty tea was served by Mrs. E. Adair and Miss Crawford. Amongst those I noticed were: Mesdames Bourke, Adair, King, Trail, O'Meara, and Thorne George, Misses Crawford, De Lee, tour (2), Davies, Coleman, Bennett, Murray, Bright, Faulkner (2), Nolan (2), Williams, King, Bull, MacLaurin, and Lewis, Messrs Hutchinson, Keiha, Trailly Willcock (3), Paku, Hamilton, Jeffreys, Schiering, Busby, Spillsbury, Howie, Irvine, Kells, Watson, Bull (2), Adair, Porter and Dodgshun.

**A Cup and Saucer Tea.**

A jolly little tea was held on Monday afternoon at the Piccadilly Tea Rooms. It was tendered to Miss Bright, in honour of her approaching marriage, which takes place this month, by the members of the Gisborne Lawn Tennis Club, of which she was a very popular member. Each guest presented a cup and saucer on arrival. Much fun was evoked by a



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