

Misses R. Buckland, W. Cotter, V. Duthie, R. Greig, G. Gorrie, L. Gorrie, Q. Kirker, B. Nathan, D. Nolan, J. Robertson, Scott, L. Towle, N. Upton, The Hon. Secretary of the Society is Miss E. Coleman, "Arooi," Princes Street, Auckland. The last day for receiving parcels is June 7th, and the general distribution will take place on the following Wednesday.

Personal.

Mr. and Mrs. Herring Wyinks, of Dunedin, will be spending the winter months with their uncle, Mr. Geo. Gillan, Princes Street.

HAMILTON.

May 31.

Cinderella Dance.

In the Oddfellows' Hall last Thursday night a Cinderella dance was held by a committee of girls, consisting of Misses R. Brewis, N. Furze, E. Heywood, A. Jackson, G. Stevens, and G. Tompkins. The hall was comfortably filled with guests, and a very merry evening was spent, the frosty weather rendering dancing all the more enjoyable. A good deal of fun was caused by the gentlemen finding their partners for the first dance in true Cinderella fashion, by matching a shoe chosen from amongst a general heap of footgear. Amongst those present were: Miss R. Brewis, white satin, with silver net tunic; Miss N. Furze, white satin, apricot overdress; Miss E. Heywood, white silk, blue ninon drappings, and touches of pink; Miss A. Jackson, black velvet, tangerine bandeau; Miss G. Stevens, white charmuse, with silver beads; Miss G. Tompkins, white silk veiled in heliotrope and silver net; Mrs. Furze, black silk; Mrs. Stevens, black charmuse; Miss McPherson, black silk; Miss Geraldine Cussen, white silk, lace overdress; Miss Rawson, pale pink charmuse, with helio; Miss Joan Furze, pretty pink silk; Miss Amy Oliver, pink and white silk; Miss Rene White, pale pink with black; Miss Mabel White, pink taffeta; Miss Brenda Hunter, white satin with side panels; Miss Buckleton, pale pink crystalline, with frills of lace; Miss M. Buckleton, sweet pale pink mousseline; Misses E. and T. Oliver, black velvet; Miss Marshall, pretty white crystalline frock; Miss K. Dive, white satin, with lace embroidery; Miss Annie Cook, white silk; Miss Amy Steele, white hailstone muslin, with Maltese lace; Miss Violet Brewis, black velvet; Miss Daisy Brewis, pale blue frock; Miss Mana Tompkins, pale blue mousseline; Miss Isabel Rautstead, cream; Miss Helen Chitty, cream; Miss E. Chitty, white paillette; Miss Tompkins, pale pink silk, lace panels; Miss Cussen, pale blue; Miss Primrose, pale blue embroidered voile; Miss Tui Ring, white paillette; Miss Hazel Jackson, cream; Miss Edgercumbe, dainty muslin; Miss M. Holden (Thames),

vieux rose frock; Miss Mabel Gwynne, cream; Miss Williams, bronze silk, veiled in beaded chiffon; Miss Anseine, heliotrope veiled in net, with violets.

At Home.

The second of the series of functions in aid of the Hamilton Croquet Club was given by Mrs. Brewis at her residence on Friday last. "Progressive five hundred" was played in both dining and drawing-rooms, which caused much merriment. Mrs. Stevens was the fortunate lady winner of a silver cup, and Mr. Cork was the highest gentleman scorer. Mrs. Brewis received her guests in black charmuse, with applique lace insets, veiled in black ninon; Mrs. Johnson (Melbourne) wore a pretty gown of grey and white with lace; Miss Brewis, pale pink muslin; Misses Daisy and Violet Brewis, black velvet frocks. Amongst those present were:—Mrs. Rawson, black sequin net frock over black silk; Mrs. Rawson, pale pink charmuse, with Maltese insertion; Mrs. Watson, wedgwood blue frock; Mrs. Furze, black silk; Mrs. H. Valder, blue silk, draped in lovely lace; Mrs. Valder, black silk; Mrs. Totman, pale blue silk; Miss Jolly, blue and gold shot silk; Miss Newell, black silk, lovely Maltese lace, Etou-coat; Mrs. Douglas, silk blouse, dark skirt; Mrs. Whyte, black lace over emerald green silk; Rene Whyte, white silk blouse, dark skirt; Mrs. Cork, black velvet; Mrs. Herbert; Miss Riley, heliotrope muslin; Mrs. Tompkins, black velvet; Mrs. Bull, cream frock, with point lace panel; Mrs. Kerr, black silk; Miss Rothwell, black velvet; Mrs. Herdman, lagoon blue silk, veiled in black ninon; Mrs. Goodall, mode-coloured poplin, with embroidered vest.

ROTORUA.

May 31.

Golf Dance.

The dance on Friday in the Parish Hall, given by the lady golfers was quite a success, and much credit is due to the secretary, Mrs. Groves, and those ladies who gave their assistance. Amongst those present I noticed: Mrs. Groves, striking black velvet gown; Mrs. Kusabs in cream; Mrs. Flower, dainty white frock, pink and blue silk embroideries; Mrs. Dawson, palest pink muslin, dainty tunic of Houton lace; Mrs. Dignan, white ninon over silk; Mrs. Marsh, grey silk; Mrs. Moorhouse, brown taffeta; Mrs. Hill, natter blue satin; Mrs. Iles, black, vieux rose scarf; Mrs. Worthington, black silk, red roses on corsage; Mrs. Sharpe, sweet pale blue frock, Oriental trimmings; Mrs. Dyson, pale lemon silk, touches of blue; Mrs. Roberts, white; Mrs. Willmott, black satin; Mrs. Bennett, black silk; Mrs. Rakes, handsome prune velvet gown; Mrs. Maxwell, pale mauve satin, ninon tunic edged with silver fringe; Mrs. Empson, white silk; Miss Corlett, black silk, net tucker; her sister wore floral muslin; Miss Garry, dainty white frock, pearl trimmings; Miss Flossie Evans, becoming frock of light blue silk; Miss Auld, pretty pink dress, silk fringe on skirt; Miss Marsh, pink ninon; Miss Hawksworth, white muslin; Miss Dignan (Auckland), old rose silk and brown fur on helio; Miss Griffiths, white silk, Messrs. Groves, Kusabs, Dyson, Dingle, Hair (Auckland), Sumner, Cozens, Donnelly, Holland, Melville, Algie, French, Barnett, Bennett, Brackebush, Sharpe, Willmott, S. P. Hill, J. Brown, Martin, Williamson, Parsons, Dr. Scott and others.

WHANGAREI.

May 31.

The citizens' ball, held on Friday, May 23, to celebrate the opening of the new town hall, proved a brilliant success. Many visitors were present from Auckland and surrounding districts. The floor was in perfect order, and delightful music was supplied by Messrs Williams and Dobson's combined orchestras. As fitting the importance of the occasion, supper was provided on a lavish scale, with excellent service. The dresses of the ladies present were of an elaborate character, and would have shown to advantage at any big city function. Mr. F. O. Massey acted as director of ceremonies, and associated with him were Messrs. W. O. Parker, J. P. Dalston, C. L. Stone, and G. Clark Walker.

The grand march was led by Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Steadman, Mayor and Mayoress. Amongst those present were:—Mrs. Steadman (Mayoress), grey satin with

overdress of coral ninon; Miss Steadman, dull blue Oriental satin with beaded fringe; Miss Oakley Brown, vieux rose with silver trimming; Mrs. Wm. Frazer, black crepe de chine, with black jet trimming; Mrs. Wood, pale blue crepe de chine; Mrs. L. B. Garratt, black velvet, trimmed lace; Madame Chambers (Auckland), pale heliotrope silk, cream lace berthe; Mrs. Henus, heliotrope satin with purple and black embroidered trimming; Miss Alderton, yellow satin, gold Oriental embroidery; Miss Gwenyth Evans (Auckland), cerise satin, deep purple ninon tunic with cerise roses; Mrs. C. L. Storey, peacock-blue, with elaborate black overdress; Mrs. Woolley, deep cream satin with black lace; Miss Briggs, white soft silk with tunic, silk lace, silver fringe; Miss Cowan, cream Oriental satin, guipure lace overdress, ball fringe; Mrs. Carson, vieux rose silk, trimmed black and Oriental embroidery; Miss Carson, pale blue, overdress of white ninon; Miss Rimmer, pale yellow satin, cream lace on bodice; Mrs. A. Wilkinson, white satin, overdress of Oriental embroidery; Miss Corns, pale pink satin, with pearl garaiture; Miss Stone, pale shell pink, with black tunic; Miss R. McLeod, white satin, with overdress of ninon, silver trimming; Mrs. Craue, salmon-pink ninon, gold embroidered bands; Miss Craue, primrose satin, with beaded tunic; Mrs. J. R. Reylburn, black silk, veiled in spangled net; Mrs. Bissett, rose-pink satin, black overdress; Mrs. L. T. Pickmere, white satin toilette; Mrs. McGregor, coral satin, panels of cream lace; Mrs. D. McLean, blue satin, with cream lace; Mrs. Peat, prune satin, trimmed with insertion and fringe; Mrs. Radcliffe, black velvet, with overdress of dull black silk; Miss Mither, blue dress, with overdress of white ninon; Mrs. Bispham, black, moss green and gold overdress; Mrs. Halliday, pale blue, spangled overdress with Oriental trimming; Miss K. Weaver, black velvet, with panel black embroidery; Miss Storey, white satin charmuse, silver lace berthe; Miss Radcliffe, dainty pale pink; Misses Benner (2), white, with Indian embroidery; Mrs W. N. Jack, white satin, with ninon overdress; Miss A. Fountain, black silk; Mrs. Whelan, pale pink satin, with gold overdress; Mrs. Woods, scarlet satin, pale pink and gold tunic; Miss L. Callaghan, pink satin, gold spangled overdress; Mrs. Dando, shell-pink satin; Miss Woods, white satin, net overdress, pearl trimming; Mrs. F. A. Moore, black silk, ninon overdress, electric roses; Mrs. H. Mason, black velvet, silk lace trimming; Miss Dickey, heliotrope silk, veiled with grey ninon; Miss Peat (Kamo), white merv., overdress of white ninon, silver embroidery; Miss Rive, cream velvet, satin facings, with white swansdown; Mrs. J. McLean-Clarke, cream satin, gold beaded ninon overdress; Mrs. R. S. Finch, cream silk; Miss Giffney, blue velvet; Miss A. Weaver, white satin, Maltese lace; Mrs. J. A. S. McKay (Kamo), white lace dress, black velvet tunic; Miss G. Drake, white satin; Miss Elsie Wildermoth (Christchurch), ivory satin with lace overdress; Mrs. D. McKay, ivory Oriental satin; Miss Jean Hosie (Auckland), Oriental net with lace and pearls; Miss Darby, white silk, beaded trimming; Miss Galbraith, creme chiffon, taffeta silk; Mrs. Hempton, white satin; Miss R. McLeod, white silk; Mrs. Drummond, black satin; Mrs. E. O. Weaver, black silk; Mrs. Peat (Kamo), white-coloured satin, black 'satin train; Mrs. J. Peat (Kamo), violet satin, Oriental overdress; Mrs. H. C. Hemphill, champagne net over pale pink satin; Mrs. E. W. Tattley (Hikurangi), pale pink satin, ninon tunic, silver trimmings; Mrs. F. Griffen, grey charmuse, Oriental trimming, black velvet coat; Miss Neary, white satin; Miss V. Dando, white silk, silver trimming; Miss I. Chadwin, pale blue satin, white ninon overdress; Mrs. T. Griffin, grey satin; Mrs. W. H. Millington (Matungatapu), silk voile, silver and black trimmings; Mrs. F. Coburn, grey voile, silver trimmings; Miss Ventry Smith, black velvet, white and Oriental trimmings; Mrs. A. P. Jack, white gloce, with black overdress.

Cinderella Dance.

A delightful Cinderella dance was held in Whimray's Hall, on Friday evening, the dainty supper being provided by the ladies. The committee included: Mrs. Henderson, who wore a charming frock of blue satin, with tunic of figured ninon, in soft shades of blue and green; Mrs. Murray, handsome black gown; Mrs. Field, a very becoming dress of sage green velvet; Mrs. E. G. Matthews, lovely pale blue satin; Mrs. Dodgshun, beautiful pale-grey ninon; Mrs. Blair, black silk, with bunch of violets on corsage; Mrs. Winter, beautiful black gown; Mrs. Singer, charming blue merveilleux; Mrs. Callin, handsome white satin. Amongst the numerous guests were: Mrs. Hine, black velvet; Mrs. R. Sherrat, pale pink satin; with ninon overdress; Mrs. Fenwick, a pretty frock of satin, with overdress of beautiful embroidered chiffon; Mrs. Dods, grey satin, with tunic of sage blue; Mrs. Gully, white satin; Mrs. Gaddum, white satin; Mrs. Dawson Thomas, white net dress, with red touches; Mrs. Crawford, pale pink silk; Miss MacLaurin, pale pink satin, with tunic of pale blue; Miss Minnet, effective frock of black silk; Miss D. Faulker, pink satin; Miss M. Faulkner, pink satin, veiled with pale blue; Mrs. Donnel, pale pink, relieved with touches of cerise; Miss I. Dunlop, striking gown of maize-coloured satin; Miss Bennet, pretty sage blue; Miss Berry, white satin; Miss Hine, pink satin, with beautiful embroidery; Miss Walker, dark blue velvet; Miss Z. Williams, pale pink velvet; Miss U. Williams, cream silk, relieved with lace.

On the Links.

Saturday was a beautiful day, and saw many people out playing. A delicious tea was provided by Mrs. W. R. Barker and Misses Tucker (2). The table was prettily decorated with chrysanthemums. Amongst those present were: Mesdames King, Parker, Stock, Agnew Brown, Dodgshun, Traill, Morgan, Fenwick, Burke, Misses Bennett, Dunlop, Donner, de Loutour, Faulkner, Bull, McLaurin, Rees (2), King, Willis, Messrs. Willcoie (2), Barker, Anderson, Burke, Dorrington, Hamilton, Jeffries, Traill, Adair, Balfour, Grant.

Dance.

Miss Nora Wallis gave a most enjoyable dance on Monday night. Dancing was kept up till a late hour, the large wide verandah being turned into an improvised ballroom, and gaily decorated with flags and Chinese lanterns. Miss Nora Wallis received her guests in black velvet dress; Mrs. Wallis, black merveilleux dress, handsome trimmings; Mrs. A. Watson, black lace dress, gold scarf. Amongst the guests were: Mrs. Hodge, black silk, lace overdress; Mrs. Hine, black velvet; Mrs. Sutton, black silk; Mrs. Dodgshun, black velvet, écrichet Peter Pan collar and cuffs; Miss D. Hine, black velvet, relieved with royal blue; Miss Runciman, pale pink silk; Miss M. Runciman, pale yellow; Miss R. Barker, pale blue silk; Miss L. Barker, pale blue silk; Miss Stock, white muslin, emerald green sash; Miss M. Rees, white satin, heliotrope overdress, with touches of pale blue; Miss D. Rees, white silk, rose-coloured sash; Miss L. Williams, pale primrose silk; Miss V. Williams, white silk; Miss Lucy Gray, white silk; Miss Amy Gray, sage blue silk; Miss Colgrave (Auckland), white satin; Miss Hilda Callis, white muslin. Others present were: Misses Winter (2), Hodge, Kennedy, etc., Messrs. Watson (2), Willcoie, Dodgshun, Davis, Morgan, Richards, McCauley, Hodge, Stock, Nolan (2), Barker, Runciman, Bremner (2), Gray, Parker (2), Anderson, etc.

Personal.

Miss Adela Orr (Gisborne) is the guest of Mrs. Stan Reid, Tapanui. Major Dean Pitt of Auckland, and Mrs. Pitt are at present on a visit to Gisborne. Mrs. Mills, who was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Carleton Williams, has returned to Auckland. Miss Iris Dunlop has returned from her visit to Auckland. Miss Ralph, of Ballarat, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. C. G. Moore, returns to her home on Wednesday next. Miss Schumacher is the guest of Dr. and Mrs. Carlyle Wilson.

GISBORNE.

May 31.

Afternoon Tea.

Mrs. Stock had a pleasant afternoon tea last Thursday. Amongst those present were: Mrs. Pascoe, Mrs. George, Mrs. Parker, Mrs. Cotterill, Mrs. Winter, Miss Winter (of Tasmanian), Mrs. E. G. Matthews, and Mrs. Rees.

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