

The members of the Cambridge Polo Club were well in evidence at "Bar-dowie," Mr. James Taylor's beautiful home, on Saturday, April 4, for the purpose of making a presentation to Mr. Innes Taylor, who is shortly to be married to Miss Wright, of Gis-borne. Dr. Roberts, on behalf of the Polo Club, presented Mr. Taylor with a handsome tea and coffee service. In the course of his remarks the doctor referred to the recipient's loyal and yeoman service on behalf of the Club, and he assured Mr. Taylor he had the heartiest good wishes not only of the Club, but of the whole district. "No one ever did more for sport in the Waikato than your father, and if you follow in his footsteps you will be a very much esteemed man," concluded the speaker, a remark which brought forth hearty applause. Mr. Wynn Brown, master of the Waikato Hunt, in presenting Mr. Taylor with a three-bottle liqueur stand, said the recipient had for many years occupied the thankless task of hon. secretary to the Hunt Ball Committee, and the success of their functions was very largely due to his efforts. On behalf of the Hunt he thanked both Mr. James Taylor and his son for their splendid services in assisting the sport. He hoped Innes would continue as a follower of the hounds for many years, and if the bride-elect was a horsewoman she was assured of a hearty welcome to the hunting field from the Waikato enthusiasts. Mr. Innes Taylor, in returning thanks, referred to the great pleasure it gave him to see so many old and staunch friends present that day, and assured them that he would increase his endeavours in the future for the furtherance of sport. Hearty cheers for Mr. Taylor and his bride-elect concluded a pleasant gathering.

During the holidays a large number of visiting croquet players have been playing on the Cambridge green. A match was arranged between visitors and local players, the latter proving victorious, the scores being 59 points to 35. The following comprised the teams:—Visitors: Mesdames McFarlane, Dickinson, Searle (Karangahake), Bugler, Munro (Tauranga), and Miss Garland (Epsom). Cambridge: Mesdames J. R. S. Richardson, M. P. McDermott, A. Hopkirk, D. Murray, Croxford, and H. L. Nixon.

Miss Dorothea Spinney was the guest of honour at an afternoon tea given by Mrs. Ernest Hadfield in Wellington.



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At the Palmerston Hospital, Sisters Crook and Bennett, who are going to the front, received a number of useful presentations.

The Easter Carnival at Hamilton in aid of Domain improvements realised over £300.

"The war deeply affected the social and professional life of the college," states the annual report of the principal (Mr. J. S. Tennant). "While it undoubtedly interfered with our conventional course of studies, I feel that we gained much in the more lively appreciation of our national responsibilities. I am very proud to say that every man in the college did something in the way of military service. Many of the women volunteered to relieve teachers called to serve at the front, while all did what they could for the various relief funds and the providing of soldiers' comforts."

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