

THE SOCIAL WORLD



Announcements of engagements and contributions of interest relating to weddings and social gatherings should be sent to Lady Editor, "Sporting and Dramatic Review" Office, Auckland. In all cases the writer's signature and address must be attached (not for publication). Photographs of wedding groups will be reproduced by arrangement.

Their Excellencies the Governor-General and the Countess of Liverpool will leave New Zealand by the s.s. Ionic for England towards the end of this month. Mr. Gavin Hamilton, private secretary, will proceed to Great Britain a week or two later. Mr. A. C. Day, official secretary, will remain in the Dominion, and will act in a similar capacity on the staff of Viscount Jellicoe, the new Governor-General.

Mrs. W. G. Stead has gone on to Rotorua after a stay in Auckland.

Mrs. Ewen Troutbeck has returned to Napier after a visit to Rotorua.

Miss Phyllis Bloomfield, Auckland, is the guest of Mrs. Abraham, at Palmerston North.

Dr. and Mrs. Earle, Wanganui, have been spending a short holiday in Auckland.

Misses Hazel and Olive Bett, of Palmerston North, have left on a trip to Sydney.

Miss Edith Hoyt, Melbourne, has gone on to Rotorua, after a couple of weeks' stay in Auckland.

The Hon. Mrs. Tahu Rhodes and the Hon. Miss Eileen Plunket intend leaving Christchurch shortly for England.

Mrs. John Barton, of Featherston, has gone to Wellington for the winter, and is staying at the Midland Hotel.

Mrs. Hook and Miss Mabel Hook, who were in residence at "Cargen" for some time, have left on a visit to Sydney.

Mrs. Hope Lewis, who resided in Auckland many years, has taken up her residence in the Wairarapa district.

Mrs. Bosworth, Palmerston North, has been on a visit to Auckland, staying with her parents, the Hon. T. and Mrs. Harris.

A "Butterfly Revue" on continental cafe lines is to be held in Auckland in aid of the combined kindergartens. Something out of the ordinary is promised.

Miss Amy Williams, who has been staying with her aunt, Mrs. Cyrus Williams, Knowles Street, Christchurch, for some time, has returned to Australia.

Mrs. R. S. Williams and Miss Williams, Tokomaru Bay, have been on a visit to Auckland, staying at the Grand Hotel.

Mr. Theo Trezise, Wellington, went to Sydney at the invitation of the Prince of Wales' officers of the Renown, to produce an entertainment which they are preparing. Mr. Trezise will be the guest of the Renown officers during his stay in Australia.

On March 27, at the Chapel Royal, Savoy, William Francis Narbey, Major, Wellington Regiment, was married to Miss Florence Goodman, eldest daughter of the late Mr. Charles Goodman, of Timaru and Auckland. The bridegroom arrived from New Zealand by the Ruahine a few days previously, and the ceremony was performed by the assistant-chaplain of the Chapel Royal. The bride was in a travelling costume of navy blue, with hat to match. Her furs were an ermine tie and muff. Lieutenant-Colonel W. Patrick, of Hunstanton, (the bride's uncle) gave her away, and Dr. Robert Hope (Wellington) was best man.

The death is announced from London of Miss Rhoda Broughton, the novelist. She was born in North Wales on November 29, 1840, and her publications include: "Cometh up as a Flower" (1867), "Not Wisely But Too Well" (1867), "Red as a Rose is She" (1870), "Good-bye, Sweetheart, Good-bye" (1872), "Nancy" (1873), "Joan" (1876), "Second Thoughts" (1880), "Belinda" (1883), "Dr. Cupid" (1886), "Alas!" (1890), "Mrs. Bligh" (1892), "A Beginner" (1894), "Scylla or Charybdis?" (1895), "Dear Faustina" (1897), "The Game and the Candle" (1899), "Foes in Law" (1901), "Lavinia" (1902), "The Devil and the Deep Sea" (1910), "Between Two Stools" (1912).

Geraldine Farrar, the famous American star, who is married to Lou Tellegen, says: "Our marriage has been successful because it is based upon good comradeship. The roseate glow of romance cannot endure indefinitely. When that fades there must be a foundation of comradeship."

"A curt word of refusal, spoken in the hurry of life; a gesture of disgust with the sordid beings from another world; the common cry, "I can't help everyone," which often expresses lack of will, not lack of capacity, to help; these sink deep into the attentive soul of a child."—Clemenceau.

"Use tact in correspondence as in conversation, avoiding controversial subjects and any references likely to be depressing."

Diamonds have increased 160 per cent. in value, and emeralds 300 per cent. during the last few years, while rubies have decreased.

While in Christchurch, General Sir William Birdwood, Lady Birdwood, and Miss Birdwood were the guests of Captain and the Hon. Mrs. Tahu Rhodes, at "Te Koraha."

The engagement is announced of Miss Flora Holland, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Holland, of Christchurch, to Mr. Roy F. Drayton, Kopara, West Coast, second son of Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Drayton, of Knowles Street, Christchurch.

Miss Kathleen Levi, of Wellington, has received two awards of the Royal Academy of Music, namely, the Edward W. Nicholls Prize for woman pianists, and the Charles Mortimer Prize for composition.

The engagement is announced of Miss Marie Priestley, second daughter of Mr. J. Priestley, of Melbourne, and Dr. Allan Thomson, of Wellington, second son of the Hon. G. M. Thomson, M.L.C., of Dunedin.

Here is a nice note about one-piece frocks, written by a fashion authority overseas: "Styles may come and styles may go, but the one-piece dress will undoubtedly go on, if not for ever, at least for a long time to come. It has proved too great a comfort and convenience to the modern woman to be given up readily. She does not ignore the fact that suits are smart and are being worn by very many women of good taste. She, too, has her suit, but she also adds the one-piece dress to her wardrobe. In its simplest form, copied from the French, it is very youthful, besides having other assets, and legion is the name of the woman who has discovered that in one of these straight and simple frocks she is not as old as she had thought. For general wear, no garment could be more easily slipped into or removed; many of the one-piece frocks slip on over the head with very little fastening, while others fasten conveniently at the shoulders and down one side or in front. There is usually a narrow belt that marks the waistline. In its four years of unrivalled success, the one-piece frock has taken elaborate turns with embroidery, tassels, braidings, and cordings, and now last, but by no means least in effectiveness, come ruffles in serge or silk, finely pleated, to trim these frocks. However, it is true that the simple unadorned effects are quite as smart as the more elaborate gowns."

Many moral and elderly people are declaring a judgment of death against the dancing craze which has taken possession of society since the war. I do not think they will succeed, says Phillip Gibbs in the "Daily Chronicle." There is some natural, primitive, and healthy instinct behind this call to the dance. It is almost certainly the reaction of youth against the tragedy of war, and the pervading gloom of years when sacrifice was demanded by the gods. It is the dance of life following the dance of death, and a joyous proclamation of youth's divine right against unnatural discipline.

An American woman was our hostess, and she had invited us all to her flat for "tea and talk," says a woman writer in the "Daily News." And she talked so sensibly, not to say delightfully, that we were all charmed about personality and its importance. "Time can rob a woman of everything else but that," she said, "and don't forget it is the greatest of all attractions, throwing even beauty in the shade." "But supposing you are born without any?" somebody interrogated. "Why," rejoined the Yankee, "cultivate it. It is quite easy if you try. The first thing is to learn to speak out, the next is to have definite opinions, the third is to be gracious. Nervousness is the ruin of personality."



The marriage of Miss Jessie Geddes, youngest daughter of Mrs. McKail Geddes, Auckland, to Mr. Archibald McCosh Clark was solemnised last month at St. Andrew's Church, Symonds Street, Auckland. The photograph shows the bride and bridegroom, taken at Mrs. Geddes' residence, Wynyard Street, after the ceremony.

After all, marriage is a great career, and a woman must put her back into it and study its problems just as in any other profession or state of life. Many men marry because they want a home. Even when they marry for love, and for the moment are content to forego all else, they will eventually want a nest to turn into. And the woman who cannot make that nest cheerful and cosy is a failure. According to an English proverb, a woman without a husband is like a bird with a broken wing. The same may perhaps be said of the man also. Neither, indeed, can be perfect without the other. And though it is impossible to give any particular reason for marrying, it will be a great help both to the man and the woman to keep before them an ideal of companionship wherein each life may be completed and perfected. Striving thus, each to help the other, they shall bear their burdens together, and in this way find that every difficulty and sorrow will bring them closer to one another. And so the darkest hour shall be lit by the light of a love which cannot die.—Burnie Hill, in the "Weekly Scotsman."

Mrs. Henry Reeves, better known as "Helen Mathers," the novelist, died in England recently at the age of 67 years, after a long illness. At the height of her fame "Helen Mathers'" novels were read by millions, and what probably was her most famous novel, "Coming Thro' the Rye," was translated into practically every known language.

Regret was expressed by General Birdwood, in speaking of the army nurses that they had fallen out of the soldiers' organisations to a certain extent. He understood that was not so in New Zealand. He knew how the troops regarded the nurses at the front, and he hoped they would never forget that the nurses formed a part of the army of which they were as proud as any digger in the ranks.

CHILDREN'S RESTLESSNESS.

A feverish and fretful child is a great bother in a household and disturbs the rest of others. Narcotics and soothing syrups should be avoided. Half-teaspoonful doses of Fluenzol (1/6 and 2/6) will rapidly allay feverishness without any injurious effects whatsoever. Health authorities recommend Fluenzol.