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The bride entered the church on the arm of her father, wearing a charming frock of heavy white satin. In attendance as bridesmaids were Miss Martha Steiner, sister of the bride, and Miss Edna Davies, sister of the bridegroom. Mr. Stan Davies, brother of the bridegroom, was best man, and Mr. Charles Steiner, brother of the bride, groomsman.

A reception was later held in the Masonic Hall, where the bride's mother, assisted by Mrs. Hines, received the guests.

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FARRELLY - STEINER.

On 27th May Lina Steiner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Anton Steiner, of Putaruru, was married to Gordon Farrelly of Te Puke. Father McDonald tied the nuptial knot. Miss Frieda Steiner, sister of the bride, acted as bridesmaid while Mr. Farrelly, brother of the bridegroom, was best man. The home of this newly wed couple is now at Te Puke.

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1ST AUGUST CELEBRATION IN WELLINGTON.

We are glad to be able to state that the 1st of August celebration in Wellington turned out a very successful affair.

The room in the Evening Post Building, where we had once before celebrated our National Day, was gaily decorated with the Swiss flag, coats-of-arms of the different cantons, paper-lanterns and many nice posters of Swiss scenery, so that a friendly and festive atmosphere was created to start with.

About 50 members and their friends turned up and Mr. E. Cattin opened the evening with a short address which was very much appreciated, and after singing our national anthem, Miss Beck, Miss Browning and Mr. Bruelisauer entertained us with some musical items, piano, violin and 'cello, which everybody enjoyed very much. Dr. Walter Schmid, the Swiss Consul, accompanied by Mrs. Schmid, was also present, and in his address, he drew our attention again to the precarious position Switzerland was still in, however, at the same time assuring us that our Government and our people at home are as prepared as ever to meet any emergency which may arise and that we may look into the future with confidence. Mr. Castello, Mr. Watts and Mrs. Easte, being our guests, showed their gratitude in entertaining us with a few songs.

It really did not take us long to establish a very cheerful atmosphere and when Mr. Th. Steffen got going with his accordion, accompanied by Mr. A. Mueller at the piano, Swiss and English songs poured forth and dancing was going very strong up to three o'clock in the morning. Our President was about the first one who lost his voice, in spite of being also the first to make the suggestion of "having a beer". If the caretaker of the building had not felt "very tired" and wanted to go to bed, I believe the happy evening would have lasted for yet a few more hours, as nobody made an attempt to move.

We would not have been able to keep going for such a long time, had it not been for the marvellous supper put on by the ladies and I can tell you, if you ever want to see and taste something extra special in this direction, the only way will be to ask the ladies of the Swiss Benevolent Society in Wellington to provide it for you. Our heartiest thanks to them!

We wish to thank here all those who made the arrangements and helped to make our celebration of the 652nd Anniversary such a success.

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