

White silk blouse. Some of the others present were Mesdames Riddell, H. Godfrey, Parfitt, Leary, Oxley, Shoemith, Stuart, Misses Rutherford, Wilkins, Fragg, Seymour, Wright, Philpotts, Fuller (4), Beaton, Walsh (2), Bragg, Godfrey, Stuart, Price, Searle (2), Dryden, Bowden. Among the Picton men were Messrs Edwards, Masters, Wolff, Haddock, Parfitt, Jones, McIntosh (2), France, Stow, Wright, Madson, Nicoll, Taylor, Oxley, Bowden, Dryden, Price.

Another Anglican Church SOCIAL

was held in the Sunday-school Picton, on Thursday, after having been postponed from the previous Wednesday, when, owing to bad weather, only about half a dozen people ventured out. The attendance on Thursday was only a little better. We had Christy minstrel songs; "Ten Thousand Miles Away," by Mr Price; a violin trio, which was very good indeed, by Miss and Masters Bush; and a clever solo on the bones by Miss Belle Allen. A very good supper was served, and the affair passed off well. Miss Speed and the Misses E. and N. Greenhill were the hostesses. Others present were Archdeacon and Mrs Wright, Messdames Allen, Riddell, Stow, Williams, McNab, Gillies, Misses Wright, Allen, Philpotts (3), Stuart, Macalister, Roberts, Messrs Price, Stow, Madson, Nicoll and Bush. MIRANDA.

CHRISTCHURCH.

Dear Bee, August 9. Instead of writing a letter it would be easier to write an essay on snow, "the beautiful snow." We have had it in all its pristine loveliness, and the sequel to that, with all its discomfort and its dirt. And with this before you, picture to yourself the great football match, the match of the season, Britain v. Canterbury and Westland, which people came from far and near to see. Lancaster Park was buried inches deep in snow, and though every effort was made to clear a space to play on, the sodden

state of the ground prevented anything like brilliant play. Yet in spite of everything about fifteen thousand spectators were present.

The Dunedin High School football team, who played their annual match with Christ's College on the College grounds last week, were

ENTERTAINED AT A DANCE.

in the evening in Miss Cox's rooms by the headmaster and Miss Moreland. Miss Moreland wore a graceful gown of electric blue silk, trimmed with Maltese lace; Mrs Denniston, black brocade and net, pearl ornaments; Mrs Cook, black satin, trimmed with white lace; Mrs W. Reece, black satin and white lace; Mrs W. Day, black voile and lace, relieved with pale blue; Miss Cook, pale green silk, and pretty white fichu; Miss Denniston, soft white silk; Miss Julius, black satin, pale green sash; Miss B. Julius, soft white gown, pink sash; Miss Reece, white silk, heliotrope sash; Miss Anson, white satin, frilled with lace and chiffon, scarlet sash and flowers; Miss Hill, pale blue silk; Miss E. Hill, pale green; Miss Prins, pink crepe de chine; Miss Gossett, white soft silk; Miss Bassett, white satin, finished with lace; Miss Gibson, black satin and net; Miss Overton, white satin and chiffon fichu; Miss Kitson, pale blue silk. Among some of the others present were:—Misses Anderson (2), Tripp, Lewin, Merton, Nancarrow, Devenish, Meares, Messrs. Day, Reeves, Flower, Collins, Vernon, Anderson, Bowen, Gibson.

One of the most enjoyable evenings we have had for a long time was the "AT HOME" GIVEN BY THE MISSES LOUISSON, at their mother's residence, Gloucester-street, last week. The verandah was enclosed, and made a splendid promenade. Floor, music and the supper were all alike of the best. Mrs Louisson wore a sweet gown of grey crepe de chine and silver passementerie, diamond ornaments; Miss Louisson, pale blue crepe de chine, trimmed with lace and chiffon; Miss M. Louisson, white silk muslin, inserted with lace over

pink silk, pink sash; Miss Julius, pink satin, with spotted net overskirt, the skirts edged with black bebe ribbon; Miss A. Julius, cream net over white silk slip, trimmed with insertion, threaded with pale blue, choux to match; Miss Denniston, white silk; Miss Hickerton-Fisher, white silk, pale blue sash; Miss Harris, white muslin and lace, pink and heliotrope sash; Miss R. Harris, white merveilleux, trimmed with silver; Miss Badley (Greymouth), white silk and lace, pink spray; Miss Cohen (Sydney), pale blue crepe de chine, with net bouffees, pink bow in her hair; Miss R. Wilson, white silk; Miss Kettle, buttercup satin and chiffon; Miss V. Campbell, pale pink silk; Miss F. Brett, white silk, relieved with emerald green; Miss Humphries, black chiffon over silk; Miss Molineux, cream relieved with pale blue; Miss Nancarrow, white silk; Miss Burns, pale blue and white; Miss Graham, all black; Miss Mathias, azure blue silk; Miss Reid (Timaru), black silk, with scarlet flowers; Miss Townsend, black, with white chiffon; Miss Merton, pale blue silk, finished with lace; Messrs Blunden, Kitson, Alpers, Nancarrow, Vernon, Kettle, Denniston, Neave, Weston, Johnston, Sted, Jameson, Graham.

Already people are beginning to arrive for Grand National next week, and it is to be hoped the late storm has

cleared the way for fine weather, especially as our new Governor and Lady Plunket are to visit Christchurch for the first time. I hear they are going to stay at Waverley.

Mrs Carrington has organized a small club for Shakespearean reading which is to meet twice a month at College House. Besides herself and Miss Moreland, others who will be taking part are Mrs and the Misses Denniston, Mrs and the Misses Cook, Mrs Pat. Campbell, Mrs Hunt, Mrs Boye, Mrs Eyne, Mrs Nancarrow, and several more. A small committee has been formed to select the plays and allot the parts to the readers.

The Albion Football Club are fortunate in having found favour with a number of lady friends, who gave them last week in the Alexandra Hall a progressive euchre party and dance, which passed off with much success.

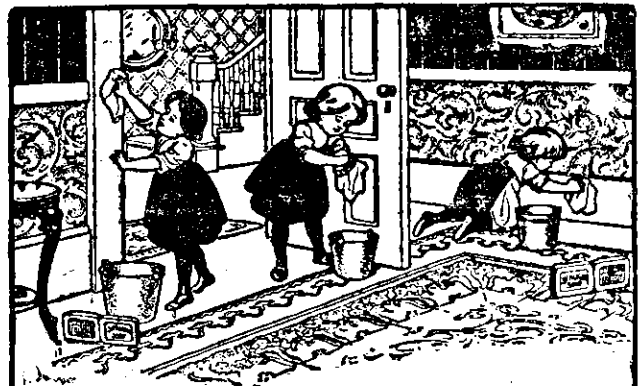
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"The devil sat on his doorstep, his grief was and to see "Alas," he sobbed, "if this goes on, whatever will happen to me." He tucked his tail beneath his arm, he rang the telephone bell, "Charon's Ferry, and hurry up! Satan speaking from L. . . . That you, Charon? Satan speaking. What hope of a boat to-day?" "None whatever. Am closing ferry. Cannot make the business pay." The devil sank fainting on the floor. From his lip there rose a wail, "Eulerled! Because Woods' Great Peppermint Cure has found a ready sale."

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