

**CHRISTCHURCH.**

Dear Bee, April 18.  
**THE CANTERBURY JOCKEY CLUB'S  
 AUTUMN MEETING**

was favoured with glorious weather, and as a consequence the ladies assembled in large numbers, making the grandstand look almost as full and as gay as if it had been Cup Day in a November meeting. Some were even brave enough to venture out in summer attire. Amongst the gowns on the first day (Easter Monday) I noticed: Mrs. Cobham, wearing a lovely gown of pale grey, with black velvet trimming, panel of black and white lace frills, and a violet velvet toque; Mrs. Hanan (England), a smart costume of brown face cloth, brown velvet toque to match, with bunches of red berries; Mrs. A. E. G. Rhodes, a princess gown of pale grey cloth, grey and white hat; Mrs. Ogle, cream striped costume, made with redingote, green straw hat with pale blue and green shaded feathers; Mrs. Waldrop, green cloth costume, violet velvet toque with ostrich plume to match; Mrs. Arthur Elworthy (Parceva), champagne coloured cloth skirt, and glaze silk blouse to match,

table fur toque; Mrs. Boyle, pale mauve cloth gown, green toque with wreath of roses; Miss Boyle, violet cloth costume, and toque to match; Mrs. Isaac Gibbs, handsome gown of brown corduroy velvet, sable toque and set of furs; Mrs. Kettle, pale grey striped costume, with long basque, mauve crinoline straw hat with shaded feathers; Miss Kettle, a costume of white cloth, white felt toque, and white fox furs; Mrs. Geo. G. Stead, navy blue and green check costume, dark green toque relieved with pale blue, white fox furs; Miss Stead, a navy blue Newmarket coat and skirt, faced with Tartan silk, floral toque of Parma violets and leaves; Lady Clifford, pale grey striped costume, brown fur toque with violets; Mrs. Wolcott Wood, gown of navy blue face cloth, with lace, and embroidered trimming, black lace toque with ostrich feathers, and pink roses; Mrs. Peter Wood, smart costume of navy blue, faced with pale green cloth, pale blue felt hat with touches of pink; Mrs. Moore (England), navy blue cloth gown, with white lace vest, black hat with ostrich feathers; Mrs. Walter Stringer, handsome smoke grey miroir corduroy velvet gown, grey toque to match, with pink ospreys; Mrs. Symes, light grey check costume, made with long coat with blue facings, toque to match; Mrs. Beswick, navy blue serge coat and skirt, pale pink hat.

On the second day: Mrs. Pyne wore a lovely gown of black eolienne, with white lace trimmings, black hat with long ostrich feathers; Mrs. Elworthy, handsome black silk, black tulle bonnet; Mrs. H. Elworthy (Timaru), frock of blue and white check, with cream lace vest, dark grey fur toque with pale blue chiffon drape; Mrs. Bond, white cloth pleated costume, wine coloured toque with shaded flowers to match; Mrs. Quane, a lovely costume of violet and mauve cloth, with toque to match; Mrs. Holmes (Rakaiia), white cloth Eton coat and skirt, violet chiffon toque; Mrs. Kohn (Dunedin), navy blue serge costume, crimson velvet hat, white fox furs; Mrs. Louisson, green cloth, with strapings of green velvet, toque to match; Mrs. Ranald Macdonald, navy blue cloth coat and skirt, toque to match, trimmed with quills and violet velvet; Miss Macdonald, navy blue Eton coat and skirt, with revers of green velvet, black velvet hat; Mrs. Denniston, pale grey cloth costume made with Eton coat, black and white toque; Miss Denniston, dark red costume, burnt straw hat with black velvet and berries; Miss Abraham (Palm-erston), pink linen costume, large white hat; Mrs. Cutlibert Gresson (Timaru), pale blue cloth, with toque en suite; Mrs. Hugh Reeves, brown cloth gown and white cloth toque; Mrs. J. C. Wilson (Cashmere), white silk, with lace insertions, white toque with black sequins and pink roses.

On Monday evening  
**A DANCE**  
 was given by the Canterbury College students in the College Hall, in honour of their visitors, the University students from Auckland, Wellington, and Dunedin. The chaperones were Mrs. Blunt, Mrs. C. C. Cook, and Mrs. Arnold Wall. The College Hall was tastefully decorated with beautiful pot plants. The supper marquee was erected on the front lawn. The dance was a great success, and most thoroughly enjoyed by all

present. Mrs. Blunt wore a gown of black eolienne, relieved with white lace; Mrs. Marshall (Dunedin), black silk, the bodice wreathed with green leaves; Mrs. Cook, black lace, over white silk; Miss Cook, pale pink silk; Miss Triggs, light green silk, trimmed with lace; Miss Baker, black satin, white lace berthe; Miss E. Overton, white silk, with bunches of violets; Miss Mills, white crepe de chine, with insertions of lace; Miss Staveley, pale pink silk; Mrs. Kohn (Dunedin), a lovely gown of white glaze silk; Miss Louisson, pale pink glaze silk, with silk ruchings and white lace; Miss Harris, white glaze silk; Miss Guthrie, pale blue voile, with cream lace insertions, and pale pink roses; Miss E. Prins, pink net, over white silk; Miss Friedlander (Ashburton), white crepe de chine; Miss Elmalie, white glaze silk, and white chiffon fichu; Miss Marchant (Wellington), black silk and lace; Miss Bridges, pale blue silk; Miss McOwen, black silk, trimmed with black lace and red flowers; Mrs. W. Wilson, handsome black sequin robe, over black satin; Mrs. Arnold Wall, a gown of orange coloured nun's veiling; Miss Foster, pale pink muslin; Miss Kippenberger, white muslin, with insertions of Valenciennes lace.

Other entertainments arranged for the visitors include a garden party and afternoon tea, given by Professor and Mrs. Blunt, at their residence, "St. Ronan's," Merivale; and an evening picnic at Professor Bickerton's place, "Waimoni Park." The Canterbury Rowing Club are lending their pleasure boats for the students and their friends to row to the park at New Brighton.

Last Saturday night, Mrs. Wigram gave

**A BRIDGE PARTY,**  
 at her residence, Park Terrace. The hostesses wore a very beautiful gown of black spotted chiffon, over white silk; Mrs. Boyle, black net, embroidered with silver; Miss Boyle, a pretty frock of pale pink silk; Mrs. Pyne was in black crepe de chine; Miss Murray-Aynsley, black sequined net; Miss Helen Denniston, pale blue silk; Miss Reeves wore cream; Mrs. Beswick, a lovely frock of pale

green crepe de chine; Miss Kettle, pale heliotrope and white; Mrs. F. Campbell in black crepe de chine; and Mrs. Kettle in cream.

**A PROGRESSIVE TENNIS MATCH**  
 was played on the Hagley Park courts last Tuesday. Miss Harman and Miss Kettle were the winners. Others playing were Mrs. T. Maude, Mrs. Kettle, and Misses Cook, Livesey, Wilson, Boyd, Hall (Auckland), Croxson, Denniston, Louisson, Secclean, Inman, Ensor, Mathias, Bloxam, and Marks. This match closed the season at these courts, much to the regret of its members, who found it a most delightful place in which to meet their friends. The tournament is to be held here during our Exhibition season, when we hope to have many visitors.

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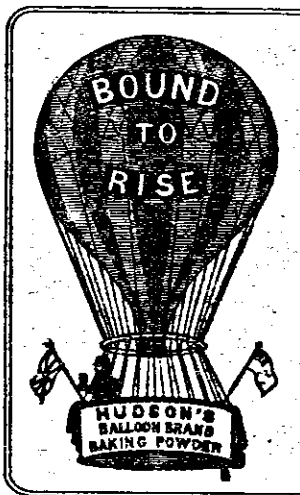
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