

motifs of lace and jet, a touch of colour being given by a cluster of roses; Miss Fulton's ivory mousseline de soie, embroidered in pale green was concealed by her domino of pale blue tussore silk. Mr. Fulton represented a Frenchman with much success. After supper was over fortune-telling, progressive bridge, and other amusements held sway, and it was long after midnight, before the party broke up. Prizes, which were charming liberty gifts, were won by Misses C. Smith and S. Nathan, and Messrs. Harcourt and Rex Bridge.

**THE STAR CLUB BALL**

It was always a good one, and this year it was even more successful than last time. The Sydney-street hall was a festive scene with its paraphernalia of oars and flags interspersed with greenery. The supper-room was decorated with white and blue, together with vases of narcissi.

Among those present were Mrs. Biss, wearing black taffetas with sequin embroideries and touches of velvet; Mrs. Pearce, black ninon de soie with tucker and sleeves of white tulle; Mrs. Bridge, black crepe de chine; Mrs. Fulton, black Chantilly lace over white taffetas; Mrs. D. Menzies, black crepe de chine with berthe of blonde lace, and a single rosette of gold tissue; Mrs. MacBeth, pale blue taffetas with jewelled embroideries; Mrs. K. Duncan, white taffetas veiled in lace and net, pale pink belt; Miss Simpson, white satin and roses; Miss Barnett, black crepe de chine and lace; Miss Ward, pale pink taffetas with bretteles of pink and green chine ribbon bordered with lace; Miss Ewen, salmon pink chiffon glaze with handsome motifs of lace; Miss Borlase, pale blue glaze, lace and chiffon; Miss Hannah, black mousseline de soie with chine sash and bretteles; Miss — Hannah, ivory taffetas and lace; Miss Shannon, pale blue glaze and lace; Miss Richardson, pale pink taffetas with garniture of lace; Miss Waldegrave (Palmerston), ivory crepe de chine; Miss Beauchamp, pale blue chine, flowered with pink; Miss Bothamley, pale pink taffetas; Miss Fitzgerald, white chiffon taffetas and lace; Miss Stuart, ivory satin; Miss Haybittle, white chiffon taffetas and lace; Miss Jones, pastel chiffon glaze; Miss McDonald, sky blue crepe de chine.

**MRS. OSWALD BEERE'S DANCE**

was a delightfully informal affair, and went off extremely well. The hostess wore ivory satin with a deep belt of bretteles of pale-blue velvet; Miss Whitem was in sky blue chiffon glaze, with motifs of lace; Mrs. Jackson, pearl grey crepe de chine hemmed with darker velvet; Mrs. Peers, black satin veiled in printed chiffon; Mrs. Blundell, black chiffon glaze and lace berthe; Miss Wilson, ivory taffetas; Miss Hoggard, rose pink satin; Miss Lee, white satin veiled in spotted chiffon; Miss McKenzie, sky blue taffetas, the skirt having panels of lace; Miss Mentzies, white chiffon taffetas; Miss Bendall, pale blue mousseline de soie; Miss Kember, cerise satin, with jewelled lace berthe; Miss King, pale pink mousseline de soie; Miss Marchant, ivory taffetas; Miss Brandon, white soie de chine.

Dull, drizzling rain in the early part of the afternoon spoilt the opening of Parliament from a spectators point of view. Once inside, all was warmth and brightness, and everywhere one saw familiar faces and friendly greetings. Lady Ward was, of course, the centre of interest to the ladies present, and she was surrounded by people eager to welcome her back. She looked very charming in a graceful dress of crepe de chine, the bolero bodice being embroidered and appliqued with velvet, and the smart short sleeves finished with the same material. Her toque was of crinoline straw, trimmed with chiffon and upstanding tips, and she carried a lovely bouquet tied with satin streamers. She was accompanied by her daughter, who looked very well in champagne face cloth, braided and worn over a vest of lace and net, and a beaver hat with roses.

QUELLEN.

**CHRISTCHURCH.**

Dear Bee, June 26:  
THE DANCE

which was given last Wednesday evening by Mrs and the Misses Croxton at their residence, "Thorpe," St. Albans, was a delightful affair, and was

thoroughly enjoyed by all present. A large marquee, with an excellent dancing floor, was erected at the end of the verandah. It was decorated with quantities of native flax and bracken. Mrs Croxton was wearing a becoming gown of porriwinkle blue taffeta, trimmed with cream lace; Miss Croxton, a pretty pale blue Louisine silk, with rose point lace; Miss E. Croxton, a dainty frock of pale pink Louisine with berthe of cream lace. Amongst the numerous guests were: Miss Reece, in a blue brocade trimmed with lace; Miss Meredith-Kaye, cream Louisine with quantities of chiffon and lace; Miss Louison, a charming frock of floral painted pink chiffon over glaze silk; Miss Bruce, white silk with frills of Valenciennes lace; Miss Drummond (Sydney), pale pink and blue flowered muslin; Miss Allan, white satin with silver embroideries; Miss Guthrie, pale blue satin and lace, with corsage bouquet of violets; Miss N. Guthrie, white lace over glaze, with roses and rose pink silk sash; Miss Waymouth, cream accordion-pleated voile with red roses on the corsage; Miss Martin, pale pink silk; Miss Simms, white muslin trimmed with pale blue and pink; Miss Wood, pale pink silk and lace; Miss Wilson, black crepe de chine relieved with orange silk; Miss E. Wilson, white silk and net; Miss Steele, white Oriental satin; Miss Henton, a gown of pink taffeta; Miss B. Ferguson, black, with white lace and Parma violets; Mrs Staveley wore cream voile with lace; Miss Collins, pale blue silk; Miss Kohn, pink voile; Miss Staveley, white silk with insertions of white lace; Miss Arrowsmith, pale blue silk with pink roses; Miss E. Arrowsmith, heliotrope silk and lace; Miss Rogers, white silk with pale blue sash; Miss Marks, white satin gown with blue flowers and sash; Miss Brett, black silk, trimmed with cream lace; Miss Freda Brett, white muslin; Miss Thomas, wore black silk and net; Miss Winstone, pale pink taffeta; Miss Paterson, gown of pale blue silk; Miss Morris, white silk; Miss Coster, white silk with Valenciennes lace insertions; Mrs Tennant, a pretty white chiffon taffetas.

**AN AFTERNOON TEA**

was given by Mrs. George Merton, "Park Terrace," in honour of, and to say farewell to, Mrs. Bourne, who intends living in Auckland. Tea was served in the dining-room, which was decorated with yellow chrysanthemums. Mrs. Merton was wearing a gown of black crepe de chine, with cream lace; Miss Merton, brown voile; Miss G. Merton, a pale blue skirt, and white silk blouse; Mrs. Bourne, a costume of black face cloth and black hat; Miss Bourne, a frock of white voile, and pretty blue hat; Mrs. Syme, brown coat and skirt, green hat; Miss Symes, a grey tweed costume, with floral hat; Mrs. Gower Burns, a green coat and skirt, mauve hat, and sable furs; Miss Burns, a costume of green tweed, with green hat; Miss Kettle, grey coat and skirt, green hat; Miss B. Russell, white cloth costume, black hat; Mrs. Denham, a pale grey costume, with toque en suite; Mrs. Irving, grey coat and skirt, grey hat; Mrs. J. Anderson, black cloth dress, sealskin coat, black toque with feathers; Miss Moliniaux, navy blue costume, with floral hat.

The second gathering of the newly-formed

**MUSICAL CLUB**

took place at Mrs. Haslam's house in Lower Riccarton on Tuesday afternoon. The members present were: Mrs. Gower Burns, Mrs. H. H. Loughman, Mrs. Wilding, Mrs. George Harper, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. W. Wilson, Mrs. Crooke, Miss Devens-Mearns, Miss Cook, and Miss L. Cook.

**A CHAMBER CONCERT,**

the first of a series of six arranged by Mr. and the Misses Wells, was given in the Alexandra Hall on Thursday evening, when there was a capital attendance. A few of those present were: Mrs. Payne, Mrs. Henry Cotterill, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Ronalds, Miss Meares, Mrs. Randall, Mrs. and Miss Elworthy, Miss Reeves, Mrs. and Miss Wilding, Miss Gardner, Miss Macdonald, and Mrs. Wells.

**GOLF.**

At the Shirley Links the Yankee tournament is still being played, and will not be finished till next month.

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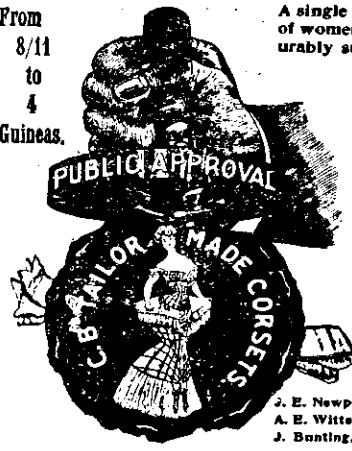
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