

## What the Men Think of Women's Looks.

Many women plead guilty to dressing to please a man—to themselves, if not to the world at large. Woman wants man to admire her just the same.

If her clothes, from the crown of her head to the tips of her boots, are planned with this in view—to please the men. Perhaps it would be more accurate to reverse the order, and to say from the tips of the boots to the crown of the head, for it is a fact that most men notice a woman's boots sooner than her headgear.

Men like little feet, but as all feet cannot be little, they also admire well-shaped feet, and all feet can be well shaped.

A pretty foot is a well-dressed foot, and it is easy to dress a foot well. It is curious to see with what unsightly footwear some women provide themselves, when they could with the same outlay be so daintily shod.

Then there is something about the light-coloured boot that appeals to a man's sense of romance. It makes a woman more ethereal than the prosaic black shoe.

Men like dainty manicuring. They are exceedingly sensitive to the appearance of the fingers, and if a woman can present a really well kept pair of hands she has done a great deal in the battle for admiration.

Men like bare hands. There is something babyish about a pair of bare hands, all devoid of rings. The sight appeals to a man's chivalry.

Red hair is supposed to attract many men. Next to that they like jet-black tresses. The medium shades are less attractive, though gold-coloured hair is very acceptable to a man's sense of the beautiful.

Men like reposeful hands. They hate hands that twitch and play with this and with that. They like little childish hands, full of dimples, hands that like to lie in the lap and rest.

Men like nice hair-dressing. It is really the hair they notice, and not the style of the coiffure; it is the condition of the hair itself that they observe. Neglected looking hair they notice at once.

They like hair that shines, hair that is in place with each hair in studied repose. They like hair that looks as though it had been prettily arranged.

Red haired women are fortunate. Men admire them, so those who possess such tresses have no need to regret it, as one often hears them doing. Men think that such hair is beautiful.

Men like red cheeks, and the red-cheeked woman has become fashionable. A doctor says that the way to get red cheeks is to pinch them with the finger tips until the blood comes to the surface.

Ask a man which of three women he admires most and he will unhesitatingly pick out the one who is trimmest as to boots and bindings; he admires the well-groomed woman. A man likes to see a well-hanging skirt, and he does not stop to ask whether the gown is a plainingham or a costly silk. What he likes is the look of extreme neatness.

## Society Gossip

### AUCKLAND.

Dear Bee,

November 19.

#### AT THE RACES

On Saturday some very pretty gowns were worn, I suppose the improved weather conditions tempted people to wear their new spring gowns.

Amongst those I particularly noticed were:—Mrs. George Bloomfield was wearing a charming gown of old rose mignon de soie, with dainty lace guimpe and sleeves, black tulle swathed hat with black and white ospreys; Mrs. Duthie, cream coatée costume and smart mole coloured hat with large pale blue bows; Mrs. Markham, white gown with long white Sicilienne coat, modish white hat; Mrs. Savage looked sweet in a graceful pale grey colienne with lace vest, becoming black picture hat; Mrs. W. R. Bloomfield was wearing a black chiffon taffetas with lace applique arranged on bodice, smart black hat; Mrs. Bodie, navy chiffon taffetas toned with cream lace, blue hat to match; Mrs. Holgate wore a dainty toilette of laurel green taffetas with cream applique yoke, black plumed hat; Mrs. Wilfred Colbeck, a pretty costume of black chiffon taffetas with cream lace guimpe, brightened with touches of blue, dainty floral hat; Miss Douglas wore a white gown and smart Leghorn hat garlanded with roses; Mrs. Carpenter, pale grey summer tweed Eton costume, prettily braided white vest and black hat; Mrs. Fraser, very pretty white pin spotted embroidered lawn, and black hat; Mrs. Steggall, graceful white inserted lawn gown, hat brightened with touches of pale blue; Mrs. Purdy, black and white with tussore dust coat and brown hat; Mrs. Ranson, striking costume of leaf green embroidered cloth, black and white hat with chou of shaded pink velvet at one side; Miss Gorrie wore a pretty frock of blue checked taffeta, Tuscan picture hat with long white feathers; her sister was gowned in white, with a burnt straw and green hat; Mrs. Reed, black gown with a black plumed hat; Miss Jessie Reed was wearing a navy cloth Eton costume with hat to match; Mrs. Jack Reid wore white vest with a pretty toque; Miss Any Moss, navy tussore silk with a white vest, hat to match; Mrs. Lyons, black chiffon taffeta toned with white, black hat; Miss Ansley, pretty pale blue cloth gown, smartly braided, hat with a flowing black and white veil; Mrs. Frater wore black chiffon taffeta, with a becoming wine-coloured hat; Miss Frater wore white, brightened with touches of blue, Tuscan hat; Miss E. Frater, pretty blue and white striped gown, hat en suite; Mrs. Gouch (Waihi), white embroidered linen, with a black hat; Mrs. Stewart Reid, electric grey striped tweed coat and skirt, and a pale blue hat; Mrs. Johnstone (Gishorne), pretty white inserted muslin, white hat with chine ribbon bows; Miss Phillips, dainty heliotrope floral muslin and pale pink hat; Miss — Phillips, pink and white striped lawn, and Tuscan hat; Miss Cotter was becomingly gowned in white and black, and smart black and white hat; Miss Palotta was wearing navy blue, with a hat to match; Lady Lockhart wore a smart gown of black chiffon taffetas and beautiful lace, brightened with touches of pale blue, white and floral hat; Mrs. T. Southey Baker, black crepe de chine, inset with bands of insertion, black and white hat; Miss Daphne Baker, white spotted muslin, white hat, wreathed with shaded hydrangeas; Miss Lloyd, pastel blue and white striped costume, with smart pastel blue hat to match; Misses Kerr Taylor wore pretty pink muslin toilettes, with pink hats to match; Mrs. Herz, smart black and white shepherd's plaid gown, with white lace guimpe and sleeves, black and white hat; Mrs. Rich, white cloth Eton costume, prettily braided, hat en suite; Misses Rich wore white, with Sicilienne dust coats; Mrs. Donald, pretty striped Marquise gown, white hat with chine ribbon bow; Miss Armstrong, ivory cloth

with dainty green hat; Mrs. M. B. Lusk, pale grey muslin, with white vest, black tulle swathed hat; Mrs. Eliot Davis, dove-grey cloth, with touches of primrose, hat to match; Mrs. Davis, pretty violet silk gown, with a pale blue hat; Mrs. St. Clair, greeny grey cloth tailor-made and black hat;

Wednesday, the second day of the Auckland Racing Club's spring meeting, was an ideal day as far as the weather conditions were concerned; but as it was not a general holiday, there was some very large attendance. There was some very pretty racing, but the pleasure of the day was somewhat marred by the unfortunate results of the Steeplechase. No doubt the popular opinion is that Nor-west's death was a splendid finish to a racing career; but my own private opinion is that he had earned a peaceful death in his old age. As I have already said, there was quite a small attendance comparatively, and not many of the fair sex were sporting their new colours, but amongst the pretty gowns worn I noticed: Mrs. Gorrie, wearing a handsome black silk toilette, banded with black velvet, smart pale grey silk dust coat, finished with black facings, black and white hat; Miss Gorrie, pretty butcher blue linea pinfore frock, with guimpe and sleeves of white embroidered lawn, Tuscan hat with large black bow; Miss — Gorrie was wearing a pretty white costume, foelle hat finished with laurel green scarf; Mrs. George Bloomfield looked charming in a black chiffon taffetas with vest and sleeves of net and lace, becoming black crinoline, straw hat; Miss Davy was prettily gowned in heliotrope, with encrustations of cream lace applique, Tuscan hat; Mrs. Herz, wore a smart costume of black and white shepherd's plaid, with guimpe and undersleeves of lovely lace, black and white hat to match; Mrs. Lawford, pretty pale grey creck taffetas and dainty mauve hat, with touches of pink; Mrs. J. R. Reed was effectively gowned in pearl grey, with a smart little toque to match; Mrs. Hamley, brown velvet costume, with a brown velvet hat finished with brown ospreys; Miss Ida Thompson was strikingly gowned in heliotrope colienne, toned with velvet, cream lace, picture hat to match; Mrs. Stewart Reid, beautifully fitting electric grey tailor-made gown, worn with a picture hat; Miss Grace Palotta looked charming in a tabac brown checked colienne, finished with brown velvet bands, Tuscan brown hat; Mrs. Wilfred Colbeck was wearing a brown Sicilian costume, with a cream vest and a pretty little green hat; Mrs. Benjamin, black and grey check toilette, faced with black, black and white toque; Miss Benjamin, pretty white costume and white hat; Mrs. Ernest Benjamin wore white, with a becoming black picture hat; Mrs. R. R. Lusk wore a dainty reseau green chiffon taffetas, toned with butter-coloured lace, white hat garlanded with pink roses; Mrs. Tonks, pretty grey costume, with white vest, Tuscan hat; Mrs. Goetz, beautiful gown of ivory embroidered lawn, smart white cloth coat, with chene ribbon facings, and a pretty white hat; Mrs. Purdy wore a Tussore silk gown, richly embroidered, and a brown hat; Mrs. Lyons, black chiffon taffeta, finished with black velvet bands, black and white hat; Miss Audrey Stubbs, white cloth pinafore frock, the guimpe outlined with cream silk insertion, white hat; Mrs. Schatz, pretty white muslin, smart hat, trimmed with green; Mrs. Ranson was wearing a black and white striped costume, black toque brightened with touches of old rose velvet; Mrs. Lawrence, a white toilet, with a pretty green hat; Miss Percival, tabac brown silk, with cream lace vest, hat en suite; Mrs. J. Donald, dainty white lawn gown, white picture hat, wreathed with Marguerite daisies; Miss Duthie, cream cloth gown, and a pretty hat trimmed with blue; Mrs. Foster was gowned in white, and wore a wine coloured hat; Mrs. Shepherd, dainty pale green gown, with white guimpe, hat to match; Mrs. Eliot Davis was effectively gowned in brown chiffon taffetas, hat brightened with touches of blue.

represent coins, hidden in every conceivable corner, and after a careful hunt all over the garden for some time it was found that Miss Maude Hudson was the fortunate collector of the most money, and was presented with the prize. The pretty garden, with its borders of brilliant scarlet geraniums, was much admired by all. A delicious tea was handed round, which brought a very pleasant party to a close. The bride-elect looked charming in a lovely white muslin inset with Indian embroidery and lattice work, and a pale blue chiffon hat with pink roses; Mrs. Douglas was attired in a black and white check linen zephyr, with black velvet bands and Irish crochet; Miss Douglas looked pretty in a pink floral muslin frock, with chine sash; Miss Nellie Douglas was dainty in white mousseline and a floral sash; Miss Sylvia Hudson, in a dainty white muslin and a burnt straw hat, with large pale blue taffeta bow; Mrs. J. W. Stewart, smart brown muslin, and hat en suite; Mrs. H. Vaile, pale blue silk blouse, black skirt, and burnt straw, with blue; Mrs. Farridge, grey voile and long grey coat, faced with white, and blue hat with pink roses; Miss Matthewson; Mrs. Howard, green linen and floral hat; Miss Bertha Butler, dainty white muslin and pretty pale pink hat; Miss Caro, blue floral muslin and pale blue hat; Miss Maude Hudson, white blouse and cream serge skirt, and sweetly pretty white chip hat; Mrs. H. Griffiths, cream cashmere, with ecru embroidery, large pale blue chip hat, with long blue feather; Miss Bridson, fawn taffetas, with touches of green, hat to match.

### HOCKEY ASSOCIATION AT HOME.

The Auckland Hockey Association are having an

#### AT HOME

to-morrow (Thursday) evening in the Royal Albert Hall, at 8 p.m. The At Home is being held to celebrate the winning of the New Zealand Hockey Association's Champion Shield, awarded to Auckland for having the best record this year in New Zealand hockey. Progressive bridge and euchre, presentation of the Shield and other trophies, with dancing to conclude with, will be the order of the evening. A strong committee have all arrangements well forward, and the Ladies' Association are working hard to make the function a success. Mr. Burke's fine orchestra will provide the music. Invitations were issued for the Federal Hall, but since the Royal Albert Hall has become available, and the committee wisely decided to change to the larger and more airy hall.

### PHYLLIS BROWN.

### NAPIER.

Dear Bee,

November 15.

This week news seems very scarce, but next week I hope to be able to tell you all about the hospital bazaar, and who were there and what they wore. On Thursday and Friday nights last Pollard's Juvenile Co. played "Bluebell in Fairyland" to a crowded audience.

Amongst those present I noticed: Mrs. Brown, wearing black silk, with white lace scarf; Miss Brown, dainty pale pink silk, bodice with berthe of lace; Miss R. Brown, pretty tucked white silk dress, with lace; Mrs. Hamlin, handsome black figured silk, with black opera coat; Mrs. Kennedy, also in black satin, with dove coloured opera coat; Mrs. Lusk, pale pink taffeta frocks, bodice trimmed with dainty lace; Miss Rees (Gishorne), black silk taffeta, and cream lace on bodice, with spray of flowers; Miss Oaken, dainty primrose silk dress; Miss Honor, white taffeta dress, covered with lace; Miss Dewes, pretty pale pink, bodice with berthe of lace and flowers; Mrs. Dewes, black silk, with roses in bodice; Mrs. Humphries, handsome black satin dress, black satin opera coat; Mrs. Henley, black taffeta with berthe of cream lace, blue coat; Miss McLernon, pink chiffon taffeta dress, cream lace and insertion on bodice; Mrs. Wilson, dainty white satin, with pale blue cloth opera coat; Miss McVay, black satin and lace; Mrs. Cato, pretty red silk dress, with cream insertion on bodice; Mrs. Levin, black silk taffeta, with bands of lace on bodice; Miss Kennedy, black taffeta dress with cream lace on bodice; Mrs. Kettle, black lace and net dress; Miss A. Kettle,

Last Friday afternoon Mrs. W. S. Douglas and Miss Mabel Douglas gave a pleasant

#### HANDKERCHIEF TEA

at their home at Remuera in honour of Miss F. Hudson, who is to be married next Tuesday. The alfresco entertainment took the form of a "Treasure Hunt" in the pretty grounds. There was a number of cardboard pieces, covered with bronze, silver, and gold paper, to

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