

fully, decorated with long trails of hyopodium. Vannini's Orchestra supplied excellent music. The room was so crowded that it was rather difficult to notice the dresses worn, but the four debutantes could easily be distinguished, as the majority of ladies wore black toilettes. Miss Maude Clouston wore a lustrous white dress of merveilleux, in which she looked very sweet and pretty; the baby sleeves were of mousseline de soie, the pointed overskirt was edged with pearl passementerie, and the bodice was finished with white satin applique and chiffon; a lovely shower bouquet completed a charming toilette. Miss Annie Healy looked very handsome in white satin, with white chiffon, and white flowers on the bodice; Miss Josephine Horton looked extremely well in white satin, prettily made, which she showed off well with her erect carriage; Miss Maude Robinson was also in white satin, and looked extremely nice. Others present were Major and Mrs. Chaytor, the latter wearing a handsome black satin dress that scintillated with jet sequins; Major Rogers, Captain Polson, D.S.O., Lieut. and Mrs. Pritchard, Captain and Mrs. Powell, Lieut. and Mrs. Ballie, Lieuts. Canavan, Kelsall, D'Arcy Chaytor, and Troopers Fitzgerald, Murphy, Carey, McDonald, Western (2), Mason, Mr. and Mrs. J. Conolly, Mr. and Mrs. J. Mowat, Mr. and Mrs. A. Mowat, Mr. and Mrs. Hulme, the latter in black satin and jet; Mr. and Mrs. Reid, Mr. and Mrs. Dunn, Mr. and Mrs. McArtney, Mr. and Mrs. McCallum, Dr. and Mrs. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. J. Foster, Mr. and Mrs. Clouston, the latter wearing a very stylish gown of white satin, patterned with black, the most chic costume in the room; Mr. and Mrs. F. Adams, the latter looking extremely well in black; Mr. and Mrs. Meehan, Mr. and Mrs. Imrie, Mr. and Mrs. Horton, Mr. and Mrs. Healy, Mrs. B. Logan, Sergeant and Mrs. Mason, Mrs. H. March, who wore black, the bodice trimmed with white chiffon, sported with black; Mrs. Petre, Mrs. Pritchard, senr., Mrs. A. Farmer, who wore a lovely pale pink satin; Mr. and Mrs. Radcliffe (Picton), the latter wearing her wedding gown of rich cream brocade; Mrs. Riddell (Picton), a beautiful green merveilleux patterned with white; Mrs. Batty, Mrs. J. Simson, Dr.

and Mrs. Redman, Mrs. Waddy, Mrs. F. Greenfield, Mrs. Carey, Mrs. Macalister, Mrs. Lucas, Mr. and Mrs. Howard, Mr. and Mrs. Shaw, Mr. and Mrs. Lusk, the latter looking handsome in black silk finished with black lace; Mr. and Mrs. James, Mr. and Mrs. Buckhurst, Mr. and Mrs. Barr, Dr. and Mrs. Innes, the Misses Dixon, Robinson, Denham, Purser, Mullen, R. Greenfield, McArtney, Bythell.

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July 29.

THE TENNIS BALL

which was held in the Provincial Hall on Friday evening was a great success in every way, and was much enjoyed by all present. All arrangements were well carried out by the committee, who were responsible for the entering and decorations, and they are to be congratulated upon the success of their work. The floor was good, also the music, and the decorations were much admired. Supper was served in the room adjoining the hall, and was pronounced most recherche, consisting of chicken, ham, tongue, salads, trifles, jellies, sweets and all manner of delicacies. The committee were: Mesdames A. Glasgow, Harris, Mackay, Roberts, Misses D. Bell, Levien, Leggatt, L. Ledger, Lindsay, Preshaw (2), Stevens, Watkiss, Messrs Duncan, Hursthouse, L. Levien, Moore (2), Rowley, J. Tomlinson; hon. sec., Mr. C. A. Green.

Amongst those present were Mrs. Robinson, black broche, flowered silk cloak; Mrs. Harris, black evening dress; Mrs. Leggatt, black relieved with white lace; Mrs. A. Mackay; Mrs. Booth, handsome gown of black satin with cream lace on the skirt and bodice; Mrs. A. Glasgow looked well in black satin, the decolletage finished with red and pink roses and rich lace; Mrs. Leslie-Reynolds (Dunedin), handsome black gown with ruffled white chiffon and steel garniture on the bodice; Mrs. Childs was admired in white silk relieved with black ribbon velvet; Mrs. Twyford (Cable Bay), black silk and lace; Mrs. C. Watts, black evening dress; Miss Bunny, becoming gown of rich white corded silk; Miss Blackett looked well in a pretty evening dress of salmon pink finished with lace; Miss Phyllis Bucha-

nan (debutante), white broche silk softened with white chiffon; Miss Black (Rienhelus), white silk and lace; Miss Dr. seall, black velvet; Mrs. Preshaw, black silk; Miss Ellis looked very pretty in soft white silk and chiffon; Miss Gribben, yellow silk finished with white lace; Miss Mabel Glasgow, blue silk with frills of cream lace; Miss Green, black velvet; Miss Heaps looked well in a pretty gown of ivory silk, the decolletage finished with deep violet velvet; Miss Harris, pink broche; Miss Mabel Harris, soft pink silk, finished with white bebe ribbon; Miss Hubbard, buttercup silk; Miss Hayter, bright rose pink silk with deep lace flounce on the skirt; Miss Levien, becoming black silk and net gown, the decolletage finished with folds of white chiffon; Miss Leggatt was admired in green silk, the bodice finished with velvet of a darker shade; Miss Looking (Napier), rich ivory satin finished with Brussels lace; Miss Lindsay, pink silk and lace; Miss Lucy Ledger, black satin with finishings of cream lace; Miss Leslie, becoming gown of lemon satin; Miss — Leslie, ivory satin finished with pearl passementerie; her younger sister wore soft white muslin and lace; Miss Madge Mackay (debutante) wore a pretty dress of white broche silk with trimmings of mousseline de soie and pearl net; Miss Ethel Mackay looked well in a handsome gown of azure blue satin; Miss Preshaw, China blue satin; Miss M. Preshaw, soft pink silk; Miss Sealy, white silk and lace with scarlet flowers on left shoulder; Miss Stevens, black net over white satin; Miss Tendall, black velvet; Miss Mabel Tendall, black satin with streamers of red bebe ribbon falling from the left shoulder; Miss Trolove, black velvet relieved with blue; Miss Watkiss, cream satin trimmed with gold sequins.

Messrs Adams, Booth, Childs, Dixon, Ellis (2), Falkner, Green, Grace, Hursthouse, Houliker, Dettierell James, Kerr, L. Levien, Moore (3), Morton, O'Brien, Preshaw, Leslie-Reynolds, E. Leggatt, Lowe, Rowley, Strobe, Selanders, Squires, Tomlinson (2), Twyford (Cable Bay), and others.

On Saturday afternoon the Bishop and Mrs. Mules gave an

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in the Diocesan Library for friends to meet the Rev. F. Bennett, of the New Zealand Maori Mission. During the afternoon the Rev. F. Bennett gave

an address on the Maoris, which was most interesting. He also sang two Maori songs. Delicious tea and cakes were dispensed by Miss Mules, Miss Kempthorne and others. Mrs. Mules wore a black costume, handsome velvet and jet mantle, black bonnet; Miss Mules, light heliotrope striped silk blouse, black skirt, becoming black hat. Amongst the guests were the Rev. J. P. and Mrs. Kempthorne, the latter wearing a dark grey coat and skirt, large black hat; Miss Kempthorne, cream silk blouse, dark skirt, brown hat; the Rev. F. W. and Mrs. Chatterton, the latter wearing a grey costume, black hat; Mrs. Edmunds; Mrs. Richmond, black costume, bonnet relieved with white; Miss Richmond, green skirt, black velvet jacket, smart hat on side; Mrs. Kissing, dark costume, black hat with pink roses beneath the brim; Dr. and Mrs. Hudson, the latter wearing a dome blue costume, black hat; Dr. and Mrs. Mackie; Mrs. Heaps; Miss Heaps, pretty brown costume, hat to match; Mrs. Sealy, black, bonnet relieved with dark red; Mrs. A. Glasgow, dark skirt, long fawn coat, hat with large black bows; Miss M. Glasgow, grey costume, black hat; Miss Looking (Napier), grey costume, hat to match; Mrs. and Miss Poole; Mrs. Edwards, black satin, bonnet relieved with amber; Mrs. Jones, black brocade; Miss G. Jones, blue costume, white fur boa, black hat; Mrs. Preshaw, Mrs. Bell; Miss Aggie Bell, blue costume, fawn and pink toque; the Misses Bruce-Bell (2); Mr. and Mrs. H. Cock, the latter wearing mourning; Mr. and Mrs. Turner; Mr. and Mrs. Daigant; Mrs. and Miss Humphries; Mrs. Fell, brown costume; Mrs. A. Atkinson; Miss R. Atkinson; Mr. and Mrs. Miss Filleul; Misses Tendall (2) wore dark costumes; Miss Gribben, black coat and skirt, hat relieved with amber; Miss Pearce, fawn coat and skirt, black hat; Miss Huddleston, smart black costume relieved with white; Mrs. G. Harkness; Mrs. Harley; Rev. and Miss McKenzie; Rev. R. S. Gray; Mrs. Crump; Mrs. and Miss Tomlinson; Judge and Mrs. Robinson; Mrs. and Miss Bamford; Misses Gibbs (2); Revs. Lampbort and Cawte; Messrs Kissing, Coney, Kingsley, Kempthorne, and others.

On Friday evening Mrs. A. Mackay's house, in Bronte-street, was burnt to the ground. Mrs. Mackay, her son and daughter and niece were at the Tennis Ball at the time, and only the servant and a friend were in the house. How

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