

with drappings of tulle; Miss Ruth Buckland looked sweet in a white silk draped with tulle, and relieved with white sprays; Miss Blanche Banks (Walkato), mauve brocade, finished with white lace; Mrs. Archie Clark, white satin, with overdress of black spotted net, with rows and rows of black bands from hem to knee of skirt, the bodice was finished with roses and loops of black velvet ribbon; Mrs. Foster, white silk, veiled in mousseline de soie; Mrs. Hanna, rich white silk, with ecru lace trimming, pink flowers in coiffure; Miss Isaacs, white satin, trimmed with white lace and pink flowers on corsage; Mrs. R. A. Carr, blue silk, finished with white lace at neck; Miss Carr, white silk, with bead passementerie; Miss Lennox, black grenadine, the decolletage was outlined with pearl passementerie; and her sister wore white silk, with pink flowers in coiffure and on corsage; Mrs. Black, black silk, with blue flowers on corsage and in coiffure; Miss Ruddock, black lace gown, with red flowers; Miss Kissling, black lace gown, with green chou in coiffure; Miss Mackellar Kistling, black brocade silk; Miss Stevenson, yellow satin, with blue lace insertion; and her sister wore a pale pink satin; Miss Hill, buttercup silk, with daffodils and black bebe ribbons; Miss Rooke wore a very handsome and striking costume of dome blue silk, finished with black velvet, the skirt was finished with small founcces of the same silk, veiled in black lace; Mrs. Gillies, black voile, with overdress of black net and satin bands; Miss Gillies, pink satin, with white lace and flowers; Miss Moss Davis, white silk, the skirt was pleated at the hips, and fell into folds at the hem, blue ribbon waist-band that ended in streamers at the back, blue chou in coiffure; Mrs. — Stevenson (Ponsonby), black lace gown over black voile; her daughter, black lace costume, the decolletage was finished with bands of forget-me-not blue ribbon and spray of forget-me-nots, the same in coiffure; Miss Ching, black lace gown; Miss Nelson, black satin, with chou of blue on corsage and in coiffure; and her sister wore pale pink Liberty silk, the skirt was founcced and finished with black bebe ribbon; Miss Peacock (Ponsonby) wore an exquisite robe of pale pink satin, trimmed with white lace; Miss McFarlane, white silk, with roses on shoulder; and her sister was a study in white satin, with overdress of spotted chenille net, and bands of white satin bebe ribbon; Mrs. Richmond, black silk; Miss Richmond, black silk, with black lace sleeves and decolletage; Miss Jean Richmond's dress was one of the most beautiful in the room, it was composed of beautiful hand embroidered net, worn over an under dress of mousseline-de-soie, over a foundation of rich lace, the whole effect being elegantly simple, and stylish, yet eminently suitable for a debutante; Miss Eve Smith, black satin gown, with lace bolero, pink roses on corsage and in coiffure; Miss Moss Davis, a graceful gown, composed entirely of white lace with under-skirt of silk; Misses Kerr-Taylor (2), pale

green and gold; Misses Towle (2), white silk, with chiffon and flowers — one wore a blue chou; Mrs. Ware wore a handsome mauve brocade, with ruched chiffon trimmings of a darker hue; Miss Ware, black costume, with gulfure lace corsage, puffed sleeves; Miss D. Ware, white silk, with decolletage, softly draped with dainty little white flowers and their tender green foliage, the bodice was tucked and full and finished with a folded silk belt; Miss Waller, mauve glace, with overdress of mousseline-de-soie and lace insertion; Miss Devereux, white silk, with heliotrope flowered design, flowers on corsage; Miss Cotter, black silk, with overdress of net, pink flowers on corsage and in coiffure; Miss — Cotter, black silk, with overdress of net, blue flowers on corsage and in coiffure; Mrs. Stuart Reid, ciel blue silk, with bands of white lace on skirt, the bodice was veiled in a Zouave; Miss Morrin, rose pink silk, the overskirt was very much betucked, the underskirt was one mass of chi-chi chiffon founcces, on shoulders were braces of flowers and the same in coiffure; Miss — Morrin, white silk, draped with layers of silk gauze, and the same in coiffure; Miss Marks, canary silk, very much betucked and finished with chiffon; Mrs. Henry Walker, white silk, with flowers on corsage; Miss Buller, white silk, with cluster of violets on decolletage, and gold belt round waist; Miss Nolan, black gown, ecru Zouave, yellow flowers on corsage; Miss Bennett, white silk, with red flowers on corsage and in coiffure; Miss Young, blue silk, veiled white lace; Mrs. Bodie, black silk, pink flowers on corsage; Miss Buddle, rich white silk, with silver beads, blue flowers in coiffure; Miss Moss Davis, white mousseline-de-soie, black velvet bow in coiffure; Messrs. McCosh Clark (2), Meredith, Reid, Morton, Cotter, Dargaville, McLaughlin, Shayle-George, McCormick, Hutchison, Hanna, Morrin (2), Upton, Robertson, Brodie, Stevenson (2), Bews, Myers, Clarke, Nasefield, Gillies (2), Crombie, Isaacs, Carr, Blair, Ridings, Foster, Jackson, Black, Williamson, Walker, Fenton (2), Nolan (2), Carriek, Thompson, Buddle, Dawson (2), Witham, Leys, Wynyard, Nathan (2), Heather, Purchas, Buckland, Bloomfield, Elliot, Vorsp, N. Taylor, Waddy, Dr. Maitland.

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few words of conversation made themselves heard, or a laugh rang out softly, and the pleasant hum of conversation grew louder and more unrestrained as the hour drew towards evening, intermingled with many little trills of feminine laughter. Afternoon tea was served in the dining-room, the table being decorated in a remarkable but unique manner. It was a Chinese or Japanese table (I think it was the former), a terre cloth was spread of crinkley paper, from the chandelier to the corners of the table were suspended rows of small Chinese lanterns, interspersed with chop-sticks and Chinese ornaments; the centre-piece was a large Chinese lantern, Chinese lanterns, also with loosely-arranged daffodils and snowdrops, adorned the table, surrounded with cakes, trifles, and sweets of every description. The reception rooms were gaily decorated with flowers, from which delicate perfumes floated on the air. During the afternoon Mrs Lawry and Miss Bullen contributed songs.

Mrs Baume, autumn brown satin, with tuckings and black beads; Mrs Fred. Baume looked extremely well in a white silk, with jabots of ecru lace on skirt, and black velvet flunccons, a transparent yoke of lace, finished with black velvet, large shower bouquet of violets on shoulder, black bow in coiffure; Mrs Sidney Nathan, white silk, the bodice was trimmed with gold thread and buttons, a show-

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