

vest, fur toque; Mrs Burns, black cloth coat and skirt, black toque; Miss Graham, black skirt, pink silk blouse, picture hat; Mrs A. Anderson, navy cloth, trimmed with tartan; Mrs F. Waymouth, dark prune cloth, white silk vest, pale blue felt hat; Mrs and Miss Cook, Mrs Worsley, Mrs F. Graham, Mrs Cobham, Mrs Appleby, Mrs and Miss Louison, Miss B. Julius, Mrs Stringer, Miss Davis, Miss I. Martin, Mrs R. D. Thomas, Mrs W. Wood, Mrs Blunt, Misses Harris, Burns, Mrs and Miss Symes, Mrs Secretan, Misses Gardner, Turner, Mrs Bickerton Fisher, Mrs H. Wood, Misses Bullock, Wilding, etc.

On Wednesday the Misses Hargreaves, Gloucester-street West, gave a charming afternoon party to a number of friends. Progressive ping-pong was played in the dining-room, and there was a gramophone in the breakfast-room. A delicious afternoon tea was served from another sitting-room, and we had music in the drawing-room. Amongst those who sang were Mrs Norman Macbeth, Miss Isabel Martin, Miss Graham, and Miss K. Wood. Mrs Hargreaves wore a handsome black gown trimmed with lace and jet; Miss Hargreaves, black skirt and pretty silk blouse; Miss C. Hargreaves, a similar costume; Mrs V. Hargreaves, black skirt and rich pink brocade blouse and lace collar; Miss Fairhurst, black satin, with elbow sleeves, the bodice trimmed with cream insertion, black picture hat; Mrs H. Hargreaves, fawn coat and skirt, toque to match with quill; Mrs (Dr.) Chilton, pale blue frieze Russian costume, white furs; Mrs (Dr.) Wilson, brown cloth coat and skirt, blue vest, hat to match; Mrs (Dr.) Jennings, black costume, grey coat, white hat with black veils; Mrs J. Fairhurst, Mrs W. Reece, Mrs K. Garrick, Mrs J. P. Newman, Mrs T. Garrard, Mrs Meredith-Kaye, Mrs (Dr.) Anderson, Mesdames Graham, Appleby, E. Garland, C. Cook, Secretan, Tonks, Wanklyn, F. M. D. Fisher, Arthur Wilson, the Misses N. Rose, Fodor, Ross, D. Preston, Hargreaves (Waimate), Garforth (2), T. Waymouth, McClatchie, J. Turner, Trent, Lightfoot, Wilson, and several more.

On the same afternoon Mrs Coverdale gave a pleasant afternoon to some of her friends at her residence, Riccarton, when progressive euchre was indulged in. Mrs Coverdale received in black skirt and lovely blouse of pink silk and lace. Among the guests were: Mrs T. Bassett (Hornby), in a beautiful black voile, picture hat and feathers; Miss Bassett; Mrs Kohn; Miss Kohn, wore white cloth gown, handsome fur cape collar, black picture hat and feathers; Mrs (Dr.) Diamond; Mrs (Dr.) Thacker, Mrs W. Stringer, Mrs Guthrie Moore, Mrs W. Lake, Mrs and Miss Croxton, Miss Davis (Dunedin), and others. Mrs Thacker won the first prize, a silver and cut glass scent bottle. A delicious afternoon tea, fruit salad, etc., was served from the dining-room. A drag from the Riak stables conveyed the party from town.

Mrs Denniston gave a delightful afternoon reception at her residence, Armagh-street West, on Friday, when about one hundred guests were present to meet Mrs Turton, of Dunedin, who is visiting her sister (Mrs Denniston) at present. Some charming songs and music were given by Mrs Burns, Miss Cook, Miss S. Mearns, Miss I. Martin, and others. Mrs Denniston, in a black voile gown trimmed with cream lace, received her guests in the hall, whence they passed on from room to room. Mrs Turton wore a pretty pale grey cloth trimmed with black velvet and steel buttons; Mrs A. Elworthy, pretty pale green cloth with lace vest, sable fur with stole ends, picture hat trimmed with lace, and wreath of red berries; Mrs Archer, grey costume and seal coat; Mrs W. Reece, black voile relieved with white silk and lace, black hat and feathers; Mrs R. Macdonald, grey Russian costume, red felt hat; Mrs (Dr.) Fox, red cloth gown, cream lace vest, white felt hat; Mrs Boyle, pretty grey costume with black lace insertions, black picture hat; Mrs Stead, black bengaline, caracul jacket, white toque; Mrs Stevens, brown cloth costume, bonnet relieved with heliotrope; Mrs (Dr.) Jennings, red cloth gown with black silk

strappings; Mrs and Miss Tabart, Mrs and Miss Wynn-Williams, Mrs H. H. and Miss Cook, Mrs Wardrop, Mrs H. Wood, Mrs and Miss Wilding, Mrs and Miss Moore, Misses Nedwill (2), Mrs and Miss Helmore, Mrs Litchfield, Mrs and Miss Nancarrow, Mrs Morton Anderson, Mrs Bishop, Mrs and Miss Todhunter, Mrs H. Rose, Mrs and Miss Neave, Mrs Blunt; Mrs J. Anderson, Mrs Secretan, Mrs Louison, Mrs J. H. Beswick, Mrs H. Cotterill, Miss Cotterill, and others.

Mrs Randal Macdonald gave an afternoon tea at her residence, Humbledon, North Belt, last week, to some of her friends, amongst whom were: Mrs Burns, who sang charmingly; Mrs Wilding, who played several times in her delightful way; Mrs Gould, Mrs G. Gould, both wearing black; Mrs H. Cotterill, deep red gown, white furs and felt hat; Mrs Denniston, brown and white flecked tweed, black toque; Mrs A. Murray-Aynsley, Mrs F. Lane, Mrs Watchorn, Mrs Wardrop, Mrs Cook, Mrs Blunt, Mrs Turton (Dunedin), Misses Cleveland, Reeves, Wynn-Williams, Nedwill, Murray-Aynsley, etc.

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