

Mr. Browne (Chief Inspector of the Manual and Technical branch of the Educational Department) is, with Mrs. Browne, a visitor to Picton.

Mr. L. F. Allen (Wellington) is visiting his people here during the Easter holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Gillies (Nelson) spent Easter with Mrs. Speed in Picton.

BELLE.

CHRISTCHURCH.

April 1.

The Races.

The Canterbury Jockey Club was unfortunate in the first day of their Easter Meeting being wet. The rain, however, cleared off during the afternoon, and allowed the ladies' autumn gowns to be seen to more advantage. Mrs. A. E. G. Rhodes wore a pale grey cloth gown, large black hat with pink osprey; Mrs. Boyle, dark green face cloth gown, braided in black, fawn hat with white wings; Miss Boyd, fawn cloth coat and skirt, small violet hat with quills; Mrs. Dalgely, dark blue serge coat and skirt, brown hat; Mrs. Alister Clark (Melbourne), mauve cloth coat and skirt, braided in the same shade, small mauve toque; Mrs. J. D. Hall, brown tweed coat and skirt, brown hat with flowers; Lady Clifford, black braided cloth coat and skirt, black crinoline hat; Mrs. Sinclair Thomson (Dunedin), bright blue cloth coat and skirt, braided with black, black hat with feathers; Miss Thomson, dark blue serge coat and skirt, brown hat with wings; Mrs. Wells (Amberley), blue and green striped tweed coat and skirt, blue hat; Miss Wells, Venetian red cloth coat and skirt, Tuscan and black hat; Mrs. E. Studholme (Waiwatu), violet face cloth coat and skirt, violet hat with pale buff wings; Mrs. Wardrop, green tweed coat and skirt, black and white hat; Miss Lee, violet cloth gown, violet hat; Mrs. Wigram, dark blue serge coat and skirt, small white fur toque; Mrs. H. Cotterill, violet cloth coat and skirt, violet hat with wings; Mrs. Westera, dark blue serge coat and skirt, black toque composed of feathers; Mrs. Snag, tan striped cloth coat and skirt, black hat wreathed with shaded red roses; Mrs. Abbott (Wellington), brown tweed coat and skirt, large black hat with bow of white lace and white osprey; Mrs. W. Stead, dark tweed coat and skirt, saxe blue hat; Miss Williams, pale blue hopsack costume, relieved with black, Tuscan and black hat; Mrs. Symes, blue serge coat and skirt, black satin toque; Miss Symes, grey striped tweed coat and skirt, faced with black, black hat with cerise roses; Miss Cracroft Wilson, blue serge coat and skirt, Tuscan and mauve hat; Mrs. Kilian (Clint Hills), blue cloth coat and skirt, braided with black, black hat; Miss Peache (Mt. Somers), grey striped flannel coat and skirt, braided with grey, black hat; Miss Clifford, blue serge coat and skirt, braided with black, black hat with ostrich feathers; Mrs. Nancarrow, dark blue serge coat and skirt, black toque with feathers; Miss Nancarrow, tan cloth coat and skirt, brown tweed hat; Miss Humphreys, black cloth coat and skirt, Tuscan hat wreathed with flowers; Miss A. Humphreys, black corduroy velvet Russian coat and skirt, black seal toque with quill; Mrs. H. Wood, brown Harris tweed coat and skirt, brown beaver hat; Mrs. E. Turrell, bright blue lustre coat and skirt, Tuscan hat with terra-cotta roses; Mrs. J. Millton, pale grey face cloth coat and skirt, large black hat with ostrich feathers; Miss Harley, dark grey striped coat and skirt, black hat with touches of blue; Miss Nedwill, brown tweed coat and skirt, brown hat wreathed with flowers; Mrs. H. Knight, black and grey striped tweed coat and skirt, black toque; Miss Knight, pale green tweed coat and skirt, floral hat; Miss Gerard, plum-coloured cloth gown, braided with same shade, hat to match; Miss Rutherford, pale blue cloth frock, white hat with wings; Mrs. Campbell, grey coat and skirt, faced with black, black hat; Miss Campbell, blue coat and skirt, blue hat; Mrs. Stevenson, dark red

braided coat and skirt, green beaver hat with green wings; Mrs. Merton, dark blue serge coat and skirt, black hat; Miss Merton, blue serge coat and skirt, black tricorne hat with quill;

At Home.

On Wednesday afternoon an "At Home" was given by Mrs. Waymouth at her residence in Fendalton to welcome her daughter, Mrs. R. Hughes, who has, with her husband, just arrived from England. Mrs. Waymouth stood in the drawing-room to receive her guests. She wore a gown of black and white striped silk voile; Mrs. Hughes, a charming frock of bright coral-pink silk, with silk embroideries, and "Peter Pan" collar; Miss Waymouth, pale mauve silk.

Amongst the many guests were:—Lady Clifford, in a black costume, with black hat and ostrich feathers; Mrs. Julius, black coat and skirt, biscuit-coloured bonnet with black feathers; Miss Julius, petunia cloth coat and skirt, large black feather hat and feather stole; Mrs. Walter Stringer, ivory voile strapped with bands of ivory satin, black crinoline hat with black wings, set of sable furs; Mrs. John Deans, slate-grey cloth costume trimmed with fur, black and white bonnet; Mrs. Thacker, bright blue dress with toque of two shades of blue; Mrs. Maxwell, gown of mignomette-green cashmere, black and green hat; Mrs. Dampier-Crossley, dark grey coat and skirt, black hat; Mrs. R. Anderson, gown of pink Shantung relieved with black, large black hat and set of Stone Martin furs; Mrs. Beals, black costume, large black hat with ostrich feathers and bow of pink ribbon; Mrs. Irvine, brown dress with white spots, brown hat to match; Mrs. Hall, handsome robe of mole-coloured velvet, mole hat and feathers to match; Mrs. Isaac Gibbs, pale blue silk, with bands of silver embroidery, bone toque with pink roses; Mrs. Carey-Hill, dark mauve cloth costume, mauve and black hat; Mrs. Wanklyn, dark grey tweed costume and black hat, set of Stone Martin furs; Mrs. Merton, navy blue costume, black hat and feathers; Miss Merton, royal blue cloth made with Russian coat, blue velvet toque; Miss Hargreaves, cream voile with lace insertions; Mrs. W. Thomas, black and white striped dress, black hat; Mrs. McDougall, blue cloth coat and skirt, braided with black, black hat; Mrs. Appleby, dark cloth costume, black and white hat; Mrs. W. P. Townsend, vieux rose silk dress, toque of the same shade; Mrs. R. Vincent, blue cloth coat and skirt, black feather hat, white feather boa; Mrs. Croxton, pale blue chiffon taffetas, blue and black toque; Mrs. Symes, tailor-made gown of bright blue cloth, black hat; Miss Guthrie, blue coat and skirt, pale heliotrope hat, white feather boa; Mrs. and Miss Wilkin; Mrs. Rice, Mrs. de Vries; Mrs. Tyree; Mrs. Frank Graham; Mrs. and Miss Macbeth; Mrs. and Miss Lawrence; Mrs. Hurst-Seager; Mrs. Norman Macbeth; Mrs. and Miss Martin; Mrs. Halton; Mrs. George Harper; Miss Croxton; Miss E. Thomas; the Misses Wells (2); Mrs. E. Hay; Mrs. A. McKellar; Mrs. Rostelli; Mrs. Johnston; the Misses Eullen (2), McLatchie (2), Meredith, Kaye, Mrs. T. Hay and Miss Hay. The Misses Wells played several piano and violin duets, and Mrs. Norman Macbeth sang.

Luncheon Party.

A luncheon party was given on Wednesday at the Shirley Golf House by Mrs. Wigram, Mrs. Arthur Rhodes and Mrs. Boyle, in honour of the officers of H.M.S. Powerful. Mixed foursomes were played in the afternoon, the winners being Miss Moore and Mr. Watson. Amongst those present were:—Mrs. Alister Clark, Mrs. Beals, Mrs. Buckley, Mrs. Snag, Mrs. Campbell, Mrs. T. Cowlishaw, Mrs. Reid, Mrs. Day, Mrs. E. Studholme, Mrs. N. Francis, Misses Humphreys (2), Moore (2), Campbell, Wood, Symes, Harley, Cowlishaw, Boyle, Williams, Mr. Alister Clark, Mr. Gaddy, the captain and officers of H.M.S. Powerful.

Personal.

Visitors to Christchurch include the inter-college teams from Auckland, Wellington and Dunedin, and several visitors

from North and South for the races. Mrs. and Miss Williams (Woodbury), Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Tripp (Orari), Mrs. E. Studholme (Waimate), Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Knight and Miss Knight (Racecourse Hill), Mrs. Turner (Gerraldine), Mrs. T. Gibson (Ashburton).

Miss Wilding (Christchurch) is visiting with friends in Timaru.

Miss Fisher (Christchurch) has left for the North Island.

Mrs. F. T. Boys and family left Christchurch last week for a trip to England.

Mrs. H. Burns (Woodbury) is staying with Mrs. Gower Burns at Chester-street.

Miss Gladys Thomas and Miss Hamner (Christchurch) are in North Canterbury, the guests of Mrs. H. Aston-Adams.

Mrs. and Miss Elworthy (Christchurch) are spending a few weeks in Napier.

DOLLY VALE.

SEDDON.

March 31.

Easter Amusements.

The weather lately has been perfect, but on Sunday evening last the wind veered round to the south, bringing cold showers with it, which spoiled the pleasure of the excursionists on Easter Monday. Very few ladies went through to Blenheim to the races, but a large number of men were present, some of whom held the lucky numbers when the three large dividends were declared.

The special train carried a large number through to Picton to witness the arrival of the Maori, which was packed with holiday-makers from Wellington.

A number of picnickers were abroad, and despite the inclemency of the weather, seemed to enjoy themselves immensely.

The Seddon churches held special services on Sunday morning, and both the Roman Catholic and Anglican churches were beautifully decorated. The Provincial from Wellington conducted the service at the former, and the Rev. A. W. Stace at the latter church.

On Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Lissaman and party were to have had a picnic in the plantation of the late nursery, but owing to bad weather coming they took refuge at the residence of Mr. Ward, where an enjoyable day was spent.

Personal.

Miss Vavasour has gone on a visit to friends in Hawke's Bay.

Mr. and Mrs. Menlove ("Nzhionni") have returned from Nelson.

Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Foster and family have been camping out at the Sounds.

Much sympathy is felt for Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Parsons, who recently lost their little son.

Mrs. Findlayson, who has been here for some weeks with her husband, has returned to Wellington.

GENEVIEVE.

CARLUKE.

March 29.

Concert.

On Monday, the 21st March, a concert was held in the Carluke Hall in aid of the Methodist Church. The programme was enjoyed by a large audience, and included items by Master Bertie Mills, Mr P. Thompson, Mr Austin, Mrs Pain, Miss Walker, Mr Gilson, Mr Lucas, Miss Totty Walker, Mr G. Brown, Mr McVieville, Misses Reta Leonard and Erid Scott, Mr Austin and Miss Butterworth.

Personal.

Miss D. Picard has returned to her home in the North Island, accompanied by her sister, Mrs. A. Barton (Carluke).

Mrs D. McLuskie (Carluke) left today on a visit to her sister in Feilding (North Island), where she will spend a few months' holiday.

Misses Stella and Blanche Andrews returned home from Foxton last week, after spending a short but pleasant holiday.

AZENA.

HOW WOMEN MANAGE TO LOOK YOUNG.

Well-known woman tells how after cold creams, face masks, massage, and beauty specialists had failed, she

TOOK WRINKLES OUT IN ONE NIGHT.

The remarkable experience of a well-known London society woman is still the subject of wonder and curiosity among her acquaintances and those who have noticed the marvellous change in her appearance. Replying to an inquiry—"What is the secret of your 'fresh' skin?"—she said—"Owing to the worries and late hours incident to the London season, I had begun to lose my beautiful complexion, and noticeable lines and wrinkles were forming about my eyes and on my forehead. At first I was only annoyed, but as I noticed the wrinkles deepening day by day, and found them to be permanent, I resorted to cold creams, steaming pots, masks, massage, and even beauty specialists, but to no avail. I became positively alarmed. The season was not half over, and although feeling as well as ever, I looked fully ten years older than at the beginning. At last, when about to give up in despair, I heard of a simple home treatment which was highly recommended by Countess Radsehl, of London, who had used it personally with remarkable results. I also learned that the Countess de Keroumontaux, of Paris, advised its use in a special article published in a leading London journal. After making further inquiries and finding that the Baroness de Villers praised it in a most unqualified manner, I decided to give it a trial, and you can judge of my surprise when on the first morning I awoke to find that most of



MY WRINKLES WERE GONE IN ONE NIGHT,

and at the end of three nights my face, as you can see, was as clear, rosy, and smooth as a child's, and remains so to this day. Can you wonder that I now recommend this wonderful treatment to all, either young or old, who through trouble, worry, illness, or from any other cause, have lost their youthful beauty and carry those hideous lines and wrinkles, which are the dread of womanhood? It took ten years from my face in one night, and I believe it will do as much for you."

Through the kindness of this lady it has been possible to arrange to have Free particulars concerning this simple home treatment which can be used without the knowledge of even your nearest friend, sent to all who are interested. Simply send your name and address to Madame Harriet Metcalf (Dept. 380A), 113 1/2, Great Portland Street, London, W. Free, and ask for the free information offered to "Auckland Graphic" readers.

NECESSARY IN EVERY WELL APPOINTED HOME.

Every housewife takes a pride in making the home beautiful and bright. The drudgery of sweeping with a corn broom has become a self-imposed task since the introduction of the "Bissell" Sweeper. The Bissell Sweeper besides being a saver of energy contributes inestimable sanitary benefits by confining all the germinable dust and preventing it from rising and settling on the draperies, curtains, bric-a-brac, etc. The home is really not complete without a Bissell Sweeper. Ask your furniture man about it.

I've had a "close shave," the barber exclaimed. To the policeman while fixing his straps, I've had influenza, and I feel quite ashamed. To say that they fed me on "slaps" "Twice a hair's breadth" "swaps" the baby. "Your life was nearly cut short" Without words, Peppermint Cure I might have died!" Was the barber's final report.

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