

A number of the small children in "Aladdin" were present on Friday night dressed alike in fancy dresses, and very sweet they looked.

**At Home.**

Mrs T. Cotter, Remuera, had sent out cards for a large "At Home" for Tuesday, but owing to Miss Milly Cotter's serious illness the party was postponed.

**The Coming of Calve.**

Calve will soon be here, delightful to think of. In letters from friends in Australia they just rave about her beautiful voice, wonderful acting, and her charming personality.

**A Dance.**

A pleasant dance was given by Mrs. Lindsay at her residence, "Australion," Sarsfield-street, on Monday last. The billiard-room was used for dancing, and the verandah was enclosed and lavishly decorated, which made a charming sitting-out place and supper room. The hostess was becomingly gowned in an Oriental patterned silk with lace. Others present were: Mrs. E. A. Reynolds, Mrs. Mallet, Mrs. Maxwell, Mrs. Quinn, Mrs. Kelly, Miss Oxley, Miss Oxley, Miss Walters, Miss Morton, Miss Crawford, Miss Craig, Miss V. Noonin, Miss Quinn, Miss Nicol, Miss G. Noonin, Miss Joy, Miss Henry, Miss Mulgrove, Miss Sissons, Miss Walker, Miss Harle, Miss Larkin, Miss McCarrrol, Miss Turner, Miss Kinnon, Miss B. Smith, Miss E. Carter, Miss Noonin, Miss H. Carter, Miss Turner.

**Personal.**

Dr. Stuart, of Auckland, is on a visit to Queenstown, relieving Dr. Douglas of the Wakatipu Hospital. Mr. and Mrs. G. Hammal, of Auckland, left by the Maheno on Monday to join the s.s. Otway at Sydney, en route for a twelve months' tour on the Continent.

Miss M. Towle left on the Maheno for a trip to Australia.

Miss Ethna Pierce, Miss Jessie Reid, Misses R. and H. Buckland left on Friday for Christchurch to take part in the New Zealand Golf Championship.

The Hon. Geo. Jones and Mrs. Jones arrived in Auckland on Saturday, and are staying at "Cargen."

Mrs. Rees, of Gisborne, is at present in Auckland, and is staying at "Cargen."

Mr. Cecil Leys (Auckland) has arrived in London from a tour in the Far East.

Mr. S. N. Ziman, Rhodes Scholar, has obtained a first-class pass in mathematics in the Final Honours School, thus completing his work for the B.A. degree. He is now studying hard in London for the Civil Service examination, which takes place this month.

Mrs. Leo Myers, who has been on a holiday visit to Sydney, returned by the Maheno.

Miss Virtue is staying for a few weeks with her sister-in-law, Mrs. C. P. Virtue, at "The Anchorage," Whangarei Heads.

**A THAMES DANCE.**

On Saturday of last week Mrs. A. E. Bedford gave a very jolly dance at her residence, Queen-street. Mrs. Bedford received her guests in a handsome black satin with Maltese lace "en corsage"; Miss D. Bedford looked very dainty in a pretty white muslin with touches of embroidery. Amongst those present were: Mrs. O'Callaghan, in a handsome black toilette; Mrs. Bush, black silk; Mrs. Nicholls, black; Mrs. Lapraik looked graceful in shell pink satin, handsomely trimmed with Honiton lace; Mrs. Rudman, vieux rose silk, prettily trimmed with net; Mrs. Chapman, handsome black velvet; Mrs. Shaw, pretty white net over silk; Mrs. Steudman, black silk; Miss Frayer wore white; Miss Read, dainty white silk; Miss E. Read, white chiffon taffetas; Miss Murphy, pale blue; Miss Banks wore a pretty blue muslin; Miss Gage-Brown, white glace; Miss O'Callaghan looked charming in pale blue; Miss E. O'Callaghan looked dainty in white muslin, prettily trimmed with insertion and lace; Miss D. Nicholls, in a girlish white frock; Miss Gibbons looked graceful in pale blue glace; Miss E. Gibbons wore her debutante frock of white net over silk with silver trimming; Miss W. Hague-Smith looked becoming in cream Empire frock. Among the gentlemen present were the following: Messrs. Shaw, Rudman, Chapman, Bedford, Gillespie, Steudman, Gage-Brown, Mackay, Joyce, Osborne, Smith (Patron), Kerrick, Pickering, McDiarmid, McIlhenny, Barrence (Karangahake), Kilgour, Dr. Lapraik.

**PHYLLIS BROUN.**

**WELLINGTON.**

August 12.

**An Enjoyable Ball.**

Always a good dance, the Star Ball is looked forward to every year by all the dancing people with a certainty of enjoyment. On Tuesday the Town Concert Room was arranged as a pale blue and white pavilion, while a sculling boat had a place of honour on the stage. Blue and white ribbons (the club's colours), were stretched across the supper table, on which were vases of jonquils and other spring flowers. The music was good, and the floor in splendid condition, so there was nothing wanting for the success of the evening.

A committee of ladies who helped with the decorations were Mrs Pearce, Mrs Bridge (wearing a black charmeuse and jet), Mrs Bayfield; Miss Barnett, purple charmeuse, with sequins of the same shade; Mrs Stanley Wheeler, white satin, draped with lace; Mrs Hugh Pullen, black crepe de chine, with a berthe of lace; Miss Simpson, white chiffon taffetas, draped with silver net; Miss Gear, ciel blue charmeuse, the tunic touched with silver; Miss West, a floral chine silk, with a vest of lace; Miss Osborne-Gibbes, white Liberty satin, with embroideries of crystal and pearls; Miss E. West, white sequin net, over white chiffon taffetas; Miss D. Wilson, pale blue satin, with a tunic of ninon of the same shade; Miss Pollock, white chiffon taffetas; Miss Moore (Masterton), pale pink merveilleux, with berthe of lace; Miss Watson, white chiffon, veiled in lobelia blue net; Miss B. Watson, shell pink ninon de soie; Miss Lingard, white chiffon taffeta, with silver net and tassels; Miss Seed, pale blue ninon de soie, with a dessous of satin in the same shade; Miss Chulman, primrose paillette, with eastern embroideries; Miss Palmer, (Napier), vieux rose taffetas, with a vest of lace; Miss Palmer, pale blue crepe de chine; Miss Mandel, lotus blue satin, with a tunic of pale blue ninon; Miss Salmon, eau de nil crepe de chine, with silver tassels; Miss Collins, white chiffon taffeta, en Princesse; Miss Levi, white satin, the draped tunic of pale blue dewdrop net; Miss Jamieson, white crepe de chine, with entre-deux of lace; Miss Peat, amber charmeuse, finished with lace; Miss Elliot, cameo pink chiffon taffetas, made en Princesse; Miss Le Sneur, pink crepe de chine; Miss de Castro, white chiffon taffetas, with bands of jewelled embroidery; Miss Atkinson, pale blue dewdrop net; Miss Nathan, a Princess gown of white satin, with lace and pearls on the corsage; Miss Wardrop, white satin and pearl garniture; Miss Jessie Wright, white chiffon taffetas, with draperies of lace and a glist of silver; Miss B. Townsend, a Princess robe of green velours; Miss McCall, white satin, with pearl passementerie; Miss N. Haybittle, white satin, the corsage draped with gold net; Miss Bulkley, white satin, with a tunic of dewdrop net; Miss E. Brandon ivory charmeuse, lace vest and sleeves; Miss Rapley, white charmeuse en Princesse; Miss Myers, black velvet, with berthe of lace; Miss Newbiggin, pale pink silk; with tunic of lace; Miss Locke, lotus blue paillette, with a touch of pink on the embroideries; Miss Jamieson, a Princess robe of white satin; Miss Ford, white merveilleux.

**Musical Party.**  
A children's party is always a success, and Mrs. Mantell's little daughters and their friends had a delightful frolic on Friday afternoon. Games and dancing were the principal amusements. Some of the tiny children went through quite elaborate figures with much enjoyment. White and yellow flowers decorated the tea tables, and the drawing-room was fragrant with wattle. Naomi, Ianene, and their small sister had pretty white muslin and lace frocks, and most of the little guests were also in white. Mrs. Mantell wore a Princess robe of brown velvet with a guimpe and sleeves of Tosca net; Miss Boardman, black chiffon taffetas with a yoke of lace.

**The Flower Pageant.**  
It is good news to hear that the Flower Pageant is to be on view once more. September 7th is the date decided on, and it is hoped that Lady Islington will be able to present, as His Excellency has expressed his desire that she should have the opportunity. This time the takings are to be equally divided between the Free Kindergarten, the Home of Compassion, and the P.P. Nurse Fund.

**The Children's Hospital.**  
The campaign for the Children's Hospital Fund is having a most successful career, and there is every hope that the sum subscribed will reach £5,000 before next week. Desperate efforts to get as far as £4,500 are being made, as a generous donor has promised the concluding £500, which will make up the amount. "Strike while the iron's hot" is the motto of the Mayor and Mayoress, and money has come pouring in from all parts. Mr. Hugh Ward is tireless in his efforts to make the fund a success, and besides the benefit matinee he and his company are giving street performances on Saturday morning. Foremost among the supporters in the campaign are Mrs. and Miss Joseph, who have long had the cause at heart, and are giving time and money most liberally. There was a gay scene at the Town Hall on Thursday afternoon, when seats for the matinee were sold at auction by Miss Grace Palotta. The "Governor's block" fetched £2 a seat in the front row, and most of the others reached £1, although the average price on ordinary occasions is only 5s. Miss Palotta looked very charming in a blue dress with a lace blouse and a most becoming fur toque.

**Musical At Home.**

A musical "At Home" is sufficient rare in Wellington to be doubly enjoyable, especially when, as at Mrs. Quick's of the other night, the music was of the very best. St. Andrew's Hall was cozily furnished and decorated with palms and ferns, and the guests sat about in little groups with the best opportunities of hearing and seeing. It would be hard to find a better quartet than Mrs. Donne, Miss Lloyd-Hassell, Messrs. Clarkson and Carter, and their singing of "A Persian Garden" and some of Brahms' songs gave unalloyed pleasure. Mrs. Gerald Fitzgerald is a finished pianist, who is very seldom heard in public, as she usually plays only to a small circle of friends. Her pianoforte solo was a brilliant one. Mrs. Cachemaille and Miss Quick opened the programme with a delightful duet, and they took it in turns to play the difficult and beautiful accompaniments. The musical part of the evening was over all too soon for most people, and the rest of the time was spent in social intercourse and supper. Mrs. Quick wore black chiffon taffetas with openwork embroidery over white taffetas; Miss Quick, white satin Princess robe with an overskirt of white ninon; Lady Ward was present, wearing black crepe de chine with a long coat of pale grey simple cloth; Miss Eileen Ward was in pink and white pompadour silk, and a charmeuse burnouse; Mrs. Findlay, pale blue brocade, a long dark coat, and ostrich bon; Mrs. Fitchett, black silk with an overskirt of net worked in electric blue paillettes, pink and white chine coat; Lady Maclean, black velvet with collar of Venetian point lace; Mrs. Gerald Fitzgerald, a Princess robe of chiffon velours in a beautiful shade of kingfisher blue, the same hue, relieved with dull gold, appearing on the embroideries of the corsage, while the guimpe and sleeves were of tulle; Mrs. Campbell, amber charmeuse with a panel of white net embroidered in gold, burnouse of pale grey crepe de chine with an exquisite design of raised silk iris in shades of mauve and purple; Mrs. McLean, pale pink chiffon taffetas with sleeves of lace; Mrs. Staley, ponce blue crepe de chine, and scarf of lace; Mrs. Spott, black chiffon taffetas; Mrs. Edwin, bronze moire velvet and Limerick lace; Mrs.

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