

relating with pride the fact that her daughter "does not care a bit for town life—has so many country interests."

"My daughter is never dull. She gets lots of croquet in the summer and hockey in the winter, and she fills up her time with exercising the dogs and practising on her banjo. Then she has the flowers to arrange."

"I enquired no further," remarks the Daughter of Ceres. "It was a harmless existence, but entirely

and assisting in the work of the garden will make all the difference in the world. Then, what untidy, ill-kept poultry-yards one meets with—because things, especially over-feeding, are left to the 'odd' man. The small dairy, too, could be managed better by the daughter of the house than by the cook in her spare time. Bee-keeping, too, is eminently suited for ladies. There is absolutely no heavy work, or even that which the most delicate girl need fear. The initial expenses



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Photo.

Fancy Dress. This young Lady looks equally well in either Costume.

without a reasonable stimulus. She only followed the dreary round of nine girls out of ten. Yet numerous opportunities remain of leading busy, active lives at home in the country. The cleverest, most capable, girls of a family go, often without any decided talent, to study art or music merely as a vent for their active brains and bodies, and with no lasting satisfaction to themselves. And how many small country houses I know with neglected gardens.

"An educated person organising

need not exceed £5, and there is practically nothing more to pay, as the bees feed themselves. I have heard of £5 per hive being cleared by a clever manager in one season.

"I would advise beginners to avoid starting on too large a scale. Begin with a few hens or one hive, get everything good of its kind, stock or appliances. And strike out for yourself instead of migrating to the city, or else 'loafing' at home."

In the advertisement columns is notice of a lady's intention to retire. She desires a manager to have