

FASHIONABLE MARRIAGE.

A marriage, between Sutherland Dumbreck, lieutenant of the 3rd Royal Lancashire Militia, only son of Sir David Dumbreck, K.C.B., Inspector-General of her Majesty's Hospitals, and Lady Dumbreck, and Henrietta Mary, eldest daughter of the late Thomas Miller, Esq., of Singleton and Preston, was celebrated at the Parish Church on Tuesday.

Gladsome events of this kind—at any rate in our town—are not of everyday occurrence; at long intervals they glide in among us, and shed a momentary hale of joy around, which is ever received with welcome interest and delight. The circumstances, however, to which our present notice refers would seem to have created a more than ordinary interest; this was evinced by the large numbers that thronged the principal thoroughfare, flocked around the gates of the church, and crowded its interior, anxious to witness the ceremony in its entirety. Long ere the appointed time for the celebration did this take place; but as the clock finger steadily neared the hour of eleven expectation ran proportionately high, and now both eye and voice tended to the same object. Punctual to time the bridal party arrived at church in the following order:—

First Carriage.—W. P. Miller, Esq., and Mrs. Miller.

Second Carriage.—Sir David Dumbreck and Lady Dumbreck.

Third Carriage.—Mrs. Pitt and Mrs. Robbins.

Fourth Carriage.—Miss Whitehead and Miss Pringle.

Fifth Carriage.—Miss Kate Miller, Miss Edith Miller, and Miss Fitzgibbon.

Sixth Carriage.—Mrs. T. H. Miller, Sir Harry Goodricke, Bart., and Mr. C. R. Byrne.

Seventh Carriage.—Mr. T. H. Miller and the bride.

As the different persons alighted from the carriages and tripped along the carpeted walk to the church they were scanned and criticised by every one present; but the display of beauty and fashion was equal to the task, and admiration quickly got the upper hand of criticism. This was particularly the case when the fair bride stepped forward. Arrayed in a dress of white silk, tulle, and orange blossom, over which gracefully flowed a tulle veil, and bearing on her head a wreath of orange blossom and diamond ornaments, and in her hand a rich bouquet of choice flowers, the lady looked all that could be desired for this the greatest event in her life. Her bridesmaids were Miss Kate Miller, Miss Edith Miller, Miss Whitehead, Miss Pringle, and Miss Fitzgibbon. They, too, were prettily dressed: they wore white muslin over cerise silk, and tulle bonnets with shaded white roses and tulle veils. The following were the groomsmen:—Mr. A. Adams, of the Guards, "best man;" Mr. W. P. Miller, Mr. S. A. Hermon, Mr. C. R. Byrne, and Mr. J. Harris. The interest, which amounted almost to trepidation among the large gathering of the gentler sex, was still greater within the church; every available spot—some did not hesitate to stand upon the benches—from which a glimpse could be caught of the bridal procession as it wended its way adown the aisle to the communion rails, was seized upon. Here the officiating clergyman, the Rev. Joseph Pitt, M.A., Rector of Rendean, Gloucestershire, uncle to the bride, assisted

by the Rev. W. M. Myres, M.A., of St. Paul's, awaited them. The solemn service then commenced, Mr. T. H. Miller performing the ceremony of "giving away" the bride. Hitherto the morning had appeared but gloomy; but at this time the sun shot forth, and it was a pleasing sight, as the rays pierced the stained glass windows and lit up the chancel, to behold the bridal couple and their attendants, who, with bowed heads and genuflected knee, listened to the telling words of the minister and prayed for a happy union.

The sound of the gay Wedding March from the organ and the joyous peal of bells from the church tower announced that the wedding was over; and the party having signed their names at the church door drove back to the residence of Mrs. Miller, in Winckley-square. It may here be of interest to enumerate those that were present at the ceremony as well as at the *déjeuner* which followed. They were—Sir David Dumbreck, K.C.B., and Mrs. Miller; Colonel Wilson Patten and Mrs. Jeffrey; Rev. E. V. Pigott and Mrs. Cairns; Mr. J. D. Kennedy and Mrs. Myres; Mr. C. R. Orlebar and Mrs. Pigott; Mr. Robbins and Mrs. Pitt; Mr. Whitehead and Miss Edith Miller; Mr. Shuttleworth and Mrs. J. D. Kennedy; Mr. Harris and Miss Pringle; Mr. W. P. Miller and Mrs. Robbins; Mr. S. A. Hermon and Miss Cairns; Sir Harry Goodricke and Mrs. Orlebar; the Rev. W. M. Myres, M.A., and Mrs. T. H. Miller; Mr. T. H. Miller and Lady Dumbreck. After the *déjeuner* the health of the bride and bridegroom was proposed by the Rev. Joseph Pitt. The toast was received with three times three, and appropriately responded to by the bridegroom. As to the wedding presents, they were very numerous—too numerous, indeed, to particularise—and of a costly and varied character.

Shortly after three o'clock the newly-wedded couple left Winckley-square—amid a perfect shower of old slippers, the old Lancashire custom of throwing the kettle not even being neglected—for London, where they purpose spending the honeymoon.

The same evening a grand ball was given at the residence in Winckley-square in honour of the joyous event, to which a great number of invitations were issued. The house was splendidly decorated for the occasion, the distribution of plants being entrusted to Mr. Huddart, of the Ribbleton Hall Nursery.

Before closing our notice the following information respecting the Dumbreck family may be of interest. Sir David Dumbreck, the father of the bridegroom, is an M.D., and has received the distinction of a Knight Commander of the Bath. He was born in 1805, and was the only son of Thomas Dumbreck, Esq., of Glasgow, by Elizabeth, younger daughter of David Sutherland, Esq. He became L.A.C.S. in 1825, and M.D. of Edinburgh in 1836. Besides holding the position of Inspector-General of her Majesty's Military Hospitals, he is an Honorary Physician to the Queen, and a Knight of the Medjidie. He married, in 1844, Elizabeth Campbell, only daughter of George Gibson, Esq., of Leith, by whom there is only one issue, Sutherland Dumbreck, Esq., who was on Tuesday united in wedlock to Henrietta Mary, eldest daughter of the late Mr. Alderman Miller.