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MARRIAGE OF MR. J. COWPER BLAKE.

Mr. J. COWPER BLAKE, M.R.C.V.S., son of Mr. J. VICKERS BLAKE., M.R.C.V.S., of Ryde, was on Wednesday of last week, married at Christchurch, Blackpool, to Miss E. Una WALKER, second daughter of Mr. T. WALKER, late of Stand, near Manchester, and granddaughter of Mrs. BAILEY, of Westbury, Whitegate Drive, Blackpool, the Rev. J. EDWARDS (vicar) officiating. The organist (Dr. KIRTLAND) played the bridal march from *Lohengrin* as the bride's procession passed up the church. The bride who was given away by her father, wore a dress of soft white Louisienne silk over white glace silk with medallions of lovely Carrickmacross lace arranged up the centre and sides of the trained skirt; a flounce of the same completed the hem, which fell over a deep frill of accordion-pleated white chiffon. Medallions of the lace were also introduced into the pretty bodice, which had a transparent yoke and under-sleeves of tucked chiffon and lace appliqué. Her flowing tulle veil was becomingly arranged over a wreath of orange blossom and white heather. Choice white flowers, with trailing smilax and asparagus fern, formed the bouquet and the bride wore a lovely pearl pendant and brooch, the gift of the bridegroom.

The bridesmaids were Miss WALKER (sister of the bride) Miss BLAKE (sister of the bridegroom), and Miss Helen BOW MCNAUGHTON of Lakeside, Windermere. These young ladies wore gowns of soft ivory silk, flounced on the skirt, each finished with tiny tucks. Surmounting the skirts were smart Louis seize coats of Bruges lace with soft contrasting vests of pale blue chiffon, deep frills of the same finishing the elbow sleeves. Their hats were of white amoline straw, with folds of white tulle and roses laid on the upturned brim. Each young lady carried a bouquet of Catherine MERMOT roses with trails of asparagus fern and smilax and wore turquoise and pearl brooches, both the gifts of the bridegroom. Mr. W. VICKERS BLAKE, brother of the bridegroom, was the best man.

The hymn "the voice that breathed o'er Eden," was sung by the choir. Dr. KIRTLAND played a selection from the Mignon music during the signing of the register and the Wedding march as the newly married couple left the church. A reception was afterwards held at Westbury by Mrs. and Miss BAILEY, and the band of the 5th R.L.G.A., playing a selection of music. The honeymoon is being spent in a tour of Scotland. Over a hundred valuable presents were received.

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