

WEDDING.

Maitland—Bell-Irving.

The marriage of the Hon. Ian Maitland, only son of Viscount and Viscountess Maitland and grandson of the Earl of Lauderdale, to Ivy, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Jardine Bell-Irving, of Rokeby, Barnard Castle, took place on November 11 at St. Peter's, Eaton-square. The bride was given away by her father. She was attended by four children, the Misses Mary and Lottie Maitland, Miss Snowdrop Wilmd., and Miss Gwendoline Vaughan Williams. There were six bridesmaids—Miss Marda Bell-Irving (sister of the bride), Miss Elsie Bell-Irving, Miss Sybil Bernard, Miss Vera Piercy, Miss Violet Buchanan-Jardine (cousins of the bride), and Miss Blossom Vaughan Williams (cousin of the bridegroom). Mr. Hubert Martineau, cousin of the bridegroom, was best man. There was a large company at the church and at the reception held at 14, Grosvenor-crescent.

"HARVEY'S ANNUAL."

We have received from Harvey's Advertising Agency, 573 Nanking Road, a copy of "Harvey's Annual Xmas 1912," which, we believe, is the first magazine of its kind that has ever been published in China. Of very convenient size and neatly bound in a cover of deckled-edged antique paper, with an artistic design in two colours, by K. F. Kruger, it contains one hundred pages of interesting reading matter and illustrations. In addition to stories by many of the most prominent writers of magazine articles at Home, there are contributions from several local authors, including Messrs. Harold C. Norman, "Dolly Oliver," Ernest Mellows, Xavier V. P. Nail, "E. R. Sill," Percy Campbell, Rhyss Llewellyn and John Bernard; while Messrs. E. Setay, "Valdar," "P. Brassie," K. F. Kruger and Ernest Mellows have contributed many well-execut-

ed illustrations. Five thousand copies of this magazine are being distributed free of charge.

UNION CHURCH LITERARY AND SOCIAL GUILD.

If there was any shortcoming in the concert held on Wednesday in the Union Church Hall, under the auspices of the Literary and Social Guild, it was that the programme was all too short. What it lacked, however, in length it more than made up for in excellence, and it can truly be said that the audience, which almost filled the Hall, was immensely pleased. Violin, piano and vocal solos, together with a trio for piano, violin and violoncello, comprised the items on the programme, and it would be difficult to single out for special praise any particular artist. Each was cordially applauded. Mrs. Powell, Mr. Millies and Mr. Morscher were the instrumental trio and they combined beautifully. Mrs. Powell also gave a brilliant rendering of Mendelssohn's "Rondo Capriccioso." Miss Jansen's violin solos were exceedingly well played in spite of the difficulty of the pieces, and Miss Cowen sang very sweetly.

THE FORTHCOMING CORONATION.

The Coronation ceremony in Kioto in 1914 will bring to light many interesting old customs, and there will also be a great revival of ancient Chinese music, says the "Japan Chronicle." This special music will be that of the Engi period, 901 A.D., and of a still older Court *régime*, and is the music used on auspicious occasions in times of rejoicing and congratulation. At the conclusion of the Coronation, the Nijo Palace in Kioto will be the scene of a banquet, after which there will be a ball, and the best orchestra that can be secured will play European music. The details of this function will be thoroughly studied so that it may compare favourably with similar entertainments given in Europe. The combination of ancient Court music at the Coronation and modern European melody afterwards will form a striking contrast, but will be in keeping with the reign of the Emperor, who shows a regard for the old things of Japan as well as appreciation for everything modern.

FUNERAL OF THE LATE MR. F. A. CUMMING.

At the Pabsienjao Cemetery on the 29th ult. a large number of Shanghai residents was present to attend the funeral of the late Mr. Frederick Alexander Cumming, who was for nearly twenty years closely identified with the commercial, sporting, and social life of the Settlement. The chapel was crowded when the funeral service was begun by the Rev. A. J. Walker, and scores of others waited near the building to take part in

the procession to the graveside. The coffin lay on a bier covered in wreaths. The pall bearers were Messrs. R. Macgregor, F. B. Marshall, R. N. Anderson, G. H. Potts, W. G. Pirie, G. Wuilleumier, E. R. Hooper, and W. S. Davies. The crowd outside the chapel formed a long continuous line to the graveside, where, the commitment prayers having been said, the coffin was lowered into the vault. The floral tributes were then placed upon the grave.

Among those present may be mentioned the following: Messrs. W. S. Jackson, W. A. C. Platt, R. N. Macleod, Col. Bruce, H. S. Oppe, J. Prentice, E. Lemiere, Captain Dent, P. Crighton, E. W. Godfrey, E. H. Dunning, R. J. Fearon, J. B. Davies, D. Landale, E. Kadoorie, Dr. Hobbs, E. Bateman, J. Broadhurst, D. Crawford, L. E. P. Jones, F. L. Pratt, S. Seth, A. W. Olsen, Brodie Clarke, S. S. Sellick, F. Vida, F. J. Burrett, J. H. Osborne, F. A. Sampson, J. N. Young, S. H. McKean, C. L. Powell, C. R. Holcomb, J. Walsh, S. Hertzberg, P. Campbell, and H. M. Catley, besides many others too numerous to mention.

GRAFTING SKIN.

Sacrifice of Yokohama Men.

The "Japan Advertiser" reports that a series of interesting surgical operations have been performed in Yokohama recently by which four Yokohama men have each sacrificed a slice of good healthy skin to be grafted on a man with whom none of them were acquainted or had ever seen previously. Nearly a year ago, says the "Advertiser," a man named Grey, chief mate of a vessel which entered the port, was conveyed on arrival to the General Hospital, having been badly scalded by steaming water. The entire fore portion of the leg below the knee was bare of skin as the result of this accident. Unfortunately tar had also played an important part in connexion with the water and lodged itself in the raw flesh. During many months at the General Hospital every possible means was resorted to but without avail, the flesh refusing to respond to the treatment and remaining unhealed. The physicians in attendance finally decided that the only solution would be to graft new skin on the wound. Mr. Clarence Griffin, Scoutmaster, Mr. W. D. S. Edwards of Healing & Co., Mr. G. W. Guttridge of Andrews & George, and Mr. Wm. Blundell were the four local men who charitably responded, consenting to sacrifice a portion of their skin for a suffering stranger. The operations were performed by Dr. E. H. Wheeler. In each case a good square inch of skin was cut from the arm from the outer side of the biceps, and immediately grafted on the patient's wounded leg.