

"BEST OF EVERYTHING" BALL AND PAGEANT.

Midnight scenes at the Park Lane

Hotel.            -London-

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Picture.:- Society - with a capital "S", turns up in its hundreds to enjoy the "Best of Everything" Ball and Pageant in aid of the Margaret Street Hospital for Consumption.

The "Buy British" Pageant is headed by a symbolic figure of British fabrics, --

--Britannia, who, as a matter of course, leads the way !XXXX  
Everything in the entire show is British from heel to head !  
XXXX And don't think--

--it is all silks and satins, for the Cotton Queen of Manchester is here - and very nice too !

A bevy of very charming young women, dressed entirely in cotton, --

--(at least, so I'm told), parade their beauti - - ful array under the--

--title of "A Garden of Girls". XXXX (I wonder where that is ?)

And now for Linen ! XXXXX I'm assured that such garments--

--as these are still made of that fabric ! XXXX Maybe so, but --

--they don't put 'em in shop windows ! XXXX

And now comes "The Court Lady" - sumptuously arrayed -  
British every inch, and every stitch. XXXX

The silk queen from Huddersfield looks pretty--

--good to all beholders. XXXX After all, silk is in  
great demand nowadays,--

--or rather, it was, until they started sending out the

--Income Tax assessments : XXXX (Some of us will be  
glad there is such--

--a thing as cotton, now : XXXX I'm sure we're all  
perfectly willing to buy British, all the--

--time, provided they leave us something to buy it with !  
Hullo ! the Regent is finished !

(CHORD OFF).

AND SO, FOR THE PRESENT, I LEAVE YOU !