He'd Rather Have a Rabbit

I am sure every little guest at the Wimborne House fancy-dress ball for children must have exchanged ideas on their costumes, for there were no two alike (writes Miss Gossip).

Little Miss Whitworth and Miss Orr could never dance about because together they represented the "Old Wives' Tale." Lady Helen O'Brien's small son,

Desmond, came dressed as a Russian peasant.

He won a book prize, but exchanged it. for a long-eared rabbit.

First-Prize Winners It was Pamela Scott-Kilvert, the step-

daughter of Mr. Leslie Lang, the artist. who won the first prize of a portrait by de Laszlo.

She wore a lovely rose brocade and lace gown after a picture by Nattier of the Princess Marie Isabelle de Bourbon, which hangs at Versailles.

The boys' first prize was won by Oliver Lebus. He represented Charles Surface, and swept Lily Elsie a magnificent bow

when she gave him his prize.

His sister Barbara wore their mother's Hungarian peasant costume. Mrs. Herman Lebus is so petite that she and her little girl can wear each other's clothes.

Child Everyone Loved

Mrs. de Winton Wills' baby, Venetia, was a chicken. She seemed to hate the long, yellow bill overhanging her

eyes. Everybody loved Lady Queensb arry's daughter tiny (whom you see

here) as Lady Jane Grey.

She wore little rose boots, bustle frock to her toes, and funny straw hat perched more or less on her snub nose. She won a prize,

and so did Lord Plumer's grandson, Michael Brooke, as Felix the Cat.

Lady Bertha Dawkins, Lady Baron, Lady Moira Lyttelton, Mrs. Arthur Paget and Mrs. Frank Braham, who organised the ball in aid of the British Hospital for Mothers and Babies, were among those who watched the fun.