

Personal Paragraphs.

THE new Governor of New Zealand has been duly introduced to the Premier, Hon. R. J. Seddon, and it is believed that a favourable impression was produced. Mr, Mrs, and the Misses Seddon also assisted at the departure of the Earl and Countess of Ranfurly and party from British shores. Mr Seddon wished to arrange the route for the new Governor, but the latter preferred to adhere to his own plan of coming to the colony via Vancouver.

MR SEDDON is having a festive time in London. Lord Ranfurly lunched with the Premier and various other notables one day. Another day Lord Glasgow waited upon—so say the cables—Mr Seddon, and welcomed him to London.

A VERY smart reception was given at the Imperial Institute by Mr and Mrs Reeves to welcome Lord Ranfurly and Mr Seddon. Amongst the smart guests were the Earl and Countess of Glasgow, Bishop Nevill, the Bishop of Waiapu, Mr Chamberlain, Sir Westby Percival, Sir Julius Vogel, Mr Bowen, and the Agents-General of the other colonies.

MR J. W. JOVNT has returned to Nelson after an enjoyable trip to Auckland and the North generally.

MR G. RAMSON, of New Plymouth, has returned from Auckland.

MR J. BELL, of Hillerden, Marlborough, is, though not quite an invalid, in very indifferent health. Freedom from work and anxiety and a trip are recommended.

THE Rev. E. Walker, who has been very busy in the Auckland provincial district, has gone South to carry on his work as organising Secretary of the New Zealand Alliance.

MR C. H. MILLS, member for Wairau-Picton, met with an accident in the Rai Valley the other day. He is able to get about again, and on a fair way to recovery. Mr Mills is attending to the requirements of the district in a most energetic manner.

MR CHARLES GORDON, of Auckland, who fractured his collarbone at the last hunt, is much better, and is able to get about again.

MR MORANT BAYLY, who has been agent for the National Bank at Stratford (Taranaki) for some years, was lately entertained at a smoke concert at the Club Hotel, when he was presented with a handsome china tea-set on the occasion of his approaching marriage.

MR S. McNAIR, late of the s.s. 'Manapouri,' is coming out to the colony as second engineer of the Union Company's new steamer 'Waikare.'

QUITE a plethora of gifts and regrets marked the departure of Mr Charles O. Ross from the Wellington Telegraph Office to Dunedin, whither he has been transferred.

MRS AND MISS GRIFFITHS are staying in New Plymouth from Wanganni.

CAPTAIN JOHN BERNICH, late of the s.s. 'Flora' has assumed command of the s.s. 'Hanroto.' Captain Anderson will be away for a short holiday.

MR HARRY FOOKES, who has lately been in the Telegraph Office in Wellington, has been transferred to the Post Office in New Plymouth.

THE Hon. T. Thompson, who has been transacting a good departmental business in Auckland has left for the South again.

It is probable that the young Earl of Seafield will celebrate his coming of age in Dunedin, and that a number of his Scotch relations will come out to New Zealand to assist in the festivities.

MR C. F. REEVE, director of the Poonah Village Mission, gave interesting addresses last week in Auckland. He said that there are thirty million widows in India, one hundred thousand of whom are under nine years of age. Mrs J. Stewart sang, 'How Beautiful are the Feet.'

MRS DALDY has again been appointed President of the Auckland Women's Political League. Mesdames Main and Duffy are vice-presidents.

AN accident which might have proved very serious happened last week near Marton. Mr W. Signall and Miss Frederick were driving into that town, when their horse bolted, and they were thrown over the Tataurangi bridge. They escaped with a good wetting and some bruises. The vehicle was much damaged.

MR H. O. TULLY, secretary for the Greytown Hospital Sports, had his left hand severely injured by a bottle bursting. He was assisting in starting the sports.

MRS T. S. WESTON, of Christchurch, has been staying in New Plymouth with Mr and Mrs Henry Weston.

THE New Zealand manager of the Bank of New Zealand, Mr C. G. Tegetmeier, is a native of London, and nephew of the veteran naturalist. Mr Tegetmeier has had a good banking education. He was for seven years in the well-known Stuckey's Bank, then in Melbourne as one of the staff of the Oriental Banking Corporation. For the past twenty years, however, he has been in the London office of the Bank of New Zealand. When that was made the head office of the Bank seven years ago, Mr Tegetmeier was appointed secretary, in which position he acquitted himself so ably, that upon the post of London Manager being vacated three years later, on the retirement of Mr McNab, Mr Tegetmeier was immediately chosen for the position, which he has held ever since. In 1894 Mr Tegetmeier visited New Zealand, and made a brief inspection of the working of the Bank in the colony. He is evidently a man well fitted for his new position, and much regret is expressed in London at losing him.

MR R. H. BAKERWELL, who has been on a visit to Australia for his health, has returned to his home at Oakura (Taranaki).

MR J. M. DAWSON, of the head office staff of the Bank of New Zealand, Wellington, has been transferred to the branch bank at Ashburton.

MR O. SAMUEL, who left for Wellington last week in order to meet the Hon. J. G. Ward, for whom he was acting during the late Bank inquiry, has returned to New Plymouth.

MISS HASLAM, of Christchurch, is staying with Mrs Chaytor, Marshlands, Blenheim.

THE Secretary of the Wellington Dramatic Students, Mr W. Simm, is going to Scotland. He will travel by the 'Ormoz.'

MISS J. GRIFFITHS, of Wellington, is staying with Mrs W. J. Shaw in New Plymouth.

LIEUTENANT B. OAKES, of the Auckland Naval Artillery, has passed his examination as lieutenant in the Garrison Artillery branch of the service.

THE Rev. C. Jennings, of Richmond, Nelson, who has been acting as *locum tenens* for the Rev. A. H. Sedgwick in Picton, left for Nelson on Monday evening.

A HANDSOME gold Albert and pendant was given at the Thames to Mr Wm. McConnell, who very efficiently performed the duties of handicapper for the United Foresters' athletic sports meeting, held on Easter Monday.

MRS EDITH PERCIVAL has returned from Wellington to her Auckland home.

CAPTAIN AND MRS LUDWIGS are staying in the Hot Lakes district. He is commander of the barque, 'Mary Hasbrouck.'

THE Rev. A. Sedgwick, who has been *locum tenens* in Blenheim during the absence of Archdeacon Grace, has, with Mrs Sedgwick, returned to Picton.

MRS MTCALPHE (Auckland) has returned to town after a short visit to Hamilton.

MR TODD, of the Union Bank, Napier, has been moved to Gisborne. His place has been taken by Mr Goldsmith.

MR THOMAS O'REILLY has been gratifying his many Auckland friends by his successes at Home. He has now successfully passed his final examination, and is a duly-qualified medical practitioner.

MRS L. CUSSER, Hamilton, has gone on a visit to Mrs Pilling (Reglan).

MISS ESTHER ATKINSON returned from Nelson to Christchurch a few days ago whither she had gone visiting her mother.

A PRESENTATION has been made to Mr G. Luak, the well-known footballer, by the employees of Bannatyne and Co., Wellington. The present took the form of a silver-mounted pipe. Mr Luak intends starting in business in Palmerston North on his own account.

MRS MOUNIER (Auckland) is in Christchurch, leaving by the 'Buteshire' for England to-morrow.

THE Rev. Dr. Wolfenden has gone to Sydney.

MRS AND MISS GLASGOW (Nelson) are in Christchurch visiting Mrs H. Glasgow.

MR GEORGE NEWMAN is visiting Auckland and neighbourhood. He belongs to the Taranaki Bowling Club.

MISS F. MILLS has gone to stay with Mrs Reid at Elderslie, Oamaru, on her way home to Dunedin.

MISS BRASCH has returned to New Plymouth after her long and pleasant stay in Auckland.

MR MAURICE DENNISTON, eldest son of Judge Denniston, of Christchurch, has been very seriously ill, but is now recovering.

PROFESSOR CARL SCHMITT has been for seventeen years conductor of the Auckland Choral Society.

MRS REEVES is back in Christchurch from the country and Miss Reeves from the South, where both have spent a very enjoyable time.

THE Rev. — Andrew (Wairarapa) is staying with his daughter, Mrs Hudson, Nile-street, Nelson.

MRS W. B. COMMON, Christchurch, it is satisfactory to learn, still continues to improve, and hopes are now entertained for a complete recovery.

MR W. J. MORELL, who succeeds the late Mr Ilbert as chief classical and English master at the Auckland Grammar School, is expected to arrive by the 'Tara-wera' in a few days.

MRS A. GILBERT, of Wellington, is at present visiting Mrs W. D. Meares, in Christchurch.

MR HELMLING, late accountant in the local branch of the Bank of New South Wales, left Nelson last week. His successor is Mr Robison, from Auckland.

LADY STOUT has been the guest of Professor and Mrs Macmillan Brown, Fendalton, for a few days on her way to Wellington.

MRS G. LUCAS, of Pahiatua, who has been staying in Blenheim with her sister Miss Clark, at Cowley, returned home last week.

MR AND MRS NORTHCOPE, of Christchurch, spent a few days with Mr and Mrs Wilson, Cashmere. Mrs Lance is also visiting there.

MR H. T. McLEAN's friends are busy congratulating him on his medical honours. He has been studying medicine in England, and has gained first-class honours and a medal in practical anatomy, first-class honours in physiology, the McKenzie bursary for dissecting, and first-class honours in practical and in systematic surgery. Mr McLean was at one time employed in the Wellington branch of the Bank of New South Wales.

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