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## Personal Paragraphs.

Miss Darling, of New South Wales, is visiting friends in Wanganui.

Mrs. Mellor, of Palmerston North, spent a few days in Wanganui recently.

The Rev. Archdeacon Twogood, of Marton, has been in Wanganui for a visit.

Mr and Mrs C. B. Palmer (Terang, Victoria) are on their way to Rotorua. Mr. and Mrs. Davis, Waipukurau, Hawke's Bay, are staying in Napier.

Mr. P. S. McLean, of Napier, has gone to Wellington on a visit.

Miss Ada Julius is visiting her sister Mrs. A. Elworthy, of Paeroa, Tamaru.

Mrs. T. Garrard and party, Christchurch, are visiting Hamner.

Sir Andrew Armstrong (Ireland) is at present in Wellington.

Mr. P. S. McLean (Napier) was recently in Wellington.

Mr. C. McBurney has been transferred from the Rotokina as purser of the Tairani.

Mr. F. Mander, M.H.R., has been elected president of the Kaimo Athletic Club.

Mr. G. Andrews will represent Ashburton circuit at the Wesleyan Conference in Auckland in March.

Mr and Mrs. Coghart (Melbourne) were recently in Wellington on their way to the Southern Lakes.

Miss Swinden (England) is the guest of Bishop and Mrs. Nelson, Fernell, Auckland.

Mr. C. Rout, of Te Papa, has been elected a member of the Auckland Provincial Agricultural Association.

Mrs. Nicholas, of Tasmania, is at present visiting her daughter, Mrs. C. Wray, at Durie Hill, Wanganui.

Miss Hardcastle, of Wanganui, has returned from her visit to friends in Wellington.

Mrs. Christie, of Wanganui, has been spending a few weeks with her relations in New Plymouth.

Mrs. Van Asch, of Christchurch, is the guest of Mrs. H. F. Christie, St. John's Hill, Wanganui.

Mrs. Wheeler has returned to New Plymouth, after spending some weeks in Wellington.

Mr and Mrs C. Burgess, after their pleasant trip to Wanganui, have returned to New Plymouth.

Miss Evans has returned to New Plymouth after her most enjoyable trip to Wellington.

Miss Webster, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. R. Lusk, of Auckland, has returned to New Plymouth.

Mr and Mrs W. P. Cohen (Napier) have gone on a trip to Wakatipu and the Southern Lakes.

Mr and Mrs Dave Teed have returned to Auckland, after visiting their relatives in New Plymouth.

Miss Carington and Miss Deacon, New Plymouth, have gone for a short visit to Wellington.

Mr and Mrs John Ross passed through Wellington last week on their way from Dunedin to Auckland.

Miss Winnie Leys, Auckland, left for Rotorua and Waikato on a lengthened visit.

Mrs. Hales, of Ulverston, Tasmania, is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. Wilson, of New Plymouth.

Miss Herburn, who has been the guest of Mrs. Montgomery, "Englesham," Wanganui, has returned to Rangitikei.

Mr. T. R. Skinner returned to New Plymouth last week from a trip to the Cold Lakes.

Mr. J. H. B. Coates, who has been taking a month's holiday at Auckland and Rotorua, is back again in Wellington.

Miss McDiarmid, of New Plymouth, is a guest of Canon and Mrs. Nelson, Auckland.

Mr. H. F. Wyatt, who has come out from England as envoy of the Navy League, is at present in Wellington.

Mr and Mrs T. W. Weston (New Plymouth) have gone home after a stay in Wellington.

Mr Anderson, Town Clerk of Sydney, is visiting friends in Wellington. He is accompanied by Mrs. Anderson.

Captain and Mrs Rhodes (Melbourne) have arrived in Wellington on a visit to New Zealand.

Dr. and Mrs Cooke (Amberley) were recently in Christchurch, spending a few days with Mrs J. C. Wilkin.

Mr Laing of the Boys' High School, Christchurch, had returned from his trip to England and America.

Mr and Mrs Woodroffe are staying with Mrs Wigram at Park Terrace, Christchurch.

Archdeacon Grass (Blenheim) passed through Wellington lately on his way to Auckland for the Anglican Synod.

Professor and Mrs Haswell (Australia) are staying in Christchurch at present.

Mr and Mrs H. Athol Grey have returned to Christchurch from their visit to England.

Mrs. A. Murray-Aynsley and Miss Gerard have returned to Christchurch from their trip to the North Island.

The Hon. C. C. Bowen and Mrs Bowen have returned from Dunedin to Christchurch.

Two Wellingtonians shortly going on a trip to England are Messrs Price and Dixon.

Mr George Hall, Suva, Fiji, has been revisiting Wellington after many years absence.

Mr and Mrs W. G. Bauer (Waipawa, Hawke's Bay) are taking a trip to Colombo about the end of February.

Mr. W. H. Triggs, visitor of the Christchurch "Press," is going to England for a holiday, returning through America.

Miss Ethel Smith has returned to New Plymouth after spending a week or two in Wellington.

Mrs Toward (Hastings) is in Wellington, staying with her sister, Mrs. A. Crawford.

Professor Brown (Victoria College) is back in Wellington after a trip to the South Island.

The Rev. F. W. Isitt, of the New Zealand Alliance, is said to be contemplating a visit to the Northern Wairoa.

The Premier and Mrs Seddon went to Featherston for the funeral of the Maori chief Teanaha Mahupuku.

Miss Baur and Miss Yost, of New York are at present on a visit to Auckland, and are staying at the Grand Hotel.

Mr and Mrs Nicholas Reid are back in Wellington after a trip to Hawke's Bay.

The Misses Myers left Auckland last week for a month's visit to Rotorua. They are staying at the Geysers Hotel.

Among those contemplating a visit to the Old Country are: Mr. J. C. Macky, of Macky, Logan, Steen & Co., and Mrs. Macky, who leave in March.

Mr. D. Petrie, M.A., Chief Inspector, and the other inspectors of the Auckland district, left for the conference of inspectors in Wellington on Monday.

Mr. J. C. Westale, who has been on a trip to Australia, has returned to Napier, looking much better for the change and rest.

The Premier, according to a Press Association telegram, has accepted the presidency of the British Navy League in New Zealand.

Mrs and Miss Breton, of Mt. Roskill-road, leave for Rotorua shortly, as Mrs Breton is still suffering from the recent trap accident.

Mrs. James McLean, of the National Bank, Napier, and her two daughters, have left for Melbourne, on a six months' visit to Mrs. McLean's parents.

Mr. E. Henderson, late foreman with Messrs. A. and T. Burt (Dunedin), has been appointed foreman of works for the New Plymouth Harbour Board.

Mr Maurice Denniston has been appointed Secretary of the Wellington Branch of the Christ's College Old Boys' Association.

Dr. and Mrs Malcolm McPherson are staying at Miss Malcolm's, the Terrace, Wellington, while they look for a house to settle in.

Mr and Miss Large, of Napier, are staying with the Rev. and Mrs Anson, of St. John's College, Tamaki, Auckland.

Mr and Mrs J. W. Abbott are settled in Mr. R. Levin's fine new residence in Hobson-street, Wellington, while the owner is in England.

The Misses Douglas, who have been on a visit to their brother, Dr. Douglas, of Hamilton, return to England shortly.

Mrs. A. Pratt, of Waitotara, with her niece, Miss A. Nancarrow, of Christchurch, who is paying her a long visit, spent a few days in Wanganui recently.

Mrs and Miss Marchant, who have been visiting their relatives in New Plymouth, have returned to their home in Timaru.

Miss J. Fraser, who has been on a visit to her aunt, Mrs McKenzie, of Waipu, has now returned to New Plymouth.

Misses Rhodes, who have been visiting their relatives, Rev. Mr and Mrs Evans, has returned to Auckland by way of Wanganui.

Miss J. Brookes, who has been visiting her relatives, Rev. Mr and Mrs Evans, of New Plymouth, has returned to her home in Cambridge.

Mrs John Dingle has returned to her home in Auckland after spending a few weeks with her mother, Mrs Forster, of New Plymouth.

Mr. R. McSparran, B.A., one of the staff of the Coromandel high school, has been appointed assistant master of the Waikato high school.

Mr. Alfred H. Gatland was the successful applicant for the position of assistant-master at the Coromandel high school.

The Cambridge Methodist Church has recorded its sympathy with the Culry family in their recent affliction caused by the Kingsland tramway accident.

Mr. R. Reynolds has been appointed to represent the Cambridge Methodists at the Conference to be held in Auckland during March.

Professor Gregory, of Melbourne University, is visiting the Franz Joseph Glacier with the intention of taking scientific observations.

Mr. J. W. Poynton, Public Trustee, who has been staying at the Central since his return from Whangarei, left for Wellington last week.

Mr. J. C. Buckingham, of London, who was out here last year on a visit, is again in Auckland, and goes to Tahiti and thence Home.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris, of Invercargill, arrived from the South last week, and put up at the Grand Hotel for a few days before going to Rotorua.

Mr. Edwin Cox, of Hobson street, who is recovering from a severe attack of influenza, left Auckland last week for Cambridge, where he will take up his residence.

Mr Ralph Levoi, the superintendent of Australasia of the New Zealand Accident Insurance Company, is removing his headquarters from Wellington to Melbourne in April.

Mr and Mrs Clapton, who are leaving Whangarei for Wellington, received a message of the esteem of the Baptists of the locality at a recent meeting in the Tabernacle.

Mr George Ballard, the well-known Waikato breeder of Shropshire sheep, left Auckland for Napier last week, with the object of attending the ram fair there.

Mr. S. K. Broadbent, editor of the "Isle of Man Examiner," who is visiting New Zealand, went to Rotorua last week, and goes overland by way of Tairanui to Wanganui and Wellington.

Miss Fraser, of the Wanganui Girls' College, has returned from her holiday tour, during which she visited China (where her sister is a missionary) Japan, and America.

Mr Percy Smith, with Dr. Cockayne and some natives, will shortly make an excursion into the Taranaki bush for the purpose of identifying and naming native plants and trees.

Mrs C. W. Adams and Miss Adams (Blenheim) are visiting Mrs Christophus (Bank N.S. Wales, Invercargill), after attending the Tennis Congress in Dunedin.

Mr and Mrs O. G. Adams have returned to the Thames after a pleasant trip in the South Island, where they visited friends and attended the Science Congress at Dunedin.

Mr J. B. Jack, who for many years has been in the Wellington branch of

the Public Trust Office, has been transferred to Auckland, where he will act as senior clerk.

Miss Eleanor Crosby, B.A., has been appointed teacher at the Girls' High School, Christchurch, during the absence of Miss Gresson, who is pursuing her studies at Home.

Among the visitors to the seaside last week were Mrs C. J. Parr, Mrs (Dr.) Bedford, Mrs (Dr.) Collins, and Mrs (Dr.) Sharnan, who were all staying at Mullet Point, near Omaha.

Mr. S. J. Griffiths, of the New Plymouth High School, has passed successfully the examination of the Institute of Bankers of New South Wales, obtaining 647 marks out of a possible of 850.

The Rev. J. Belton, of Paeroa, is still in poor health, and Mr. F. Copeland, a student from Prince Albert College, has been appointed to supply his place for a time.

The following registrars of births, marriages and deaths have been appointed in the Auckland district:—Awhitu, Mr. J. P. Fabian; Pukekohe, Mr. R. F. Webster; Rangiriri, Mr. Frederick Wood.

Mr E. W. Fosbery, C.M.G., has resigned from the commissionship of the New South Wales police after half a century's service, and is succeeded by Mr Inspector Garvan, his immediate subordinate.

Lord Elibank has notified the Tourist Department that he will arrive in Auckland by the Tairanui about 17th February. He proposes staying at Rotorua for six weeks for the treatment of rheumatism.

Mr Haselden (Palca) passed through Wellington lately on his way to South Africa, where he intends to settle. Mr Haselden was formerly M.H.R. for Palca, but lost his seat at the last elections.

The Southern visitors to St. John's College on Saturday were charmed with the drive through Remuera-road, and many remarked that it resembled the English scenery, and was like a drive through a continuous park.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Fitz-Herbert, of New Plymouth, who have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Egbert Fitz-Herbert, "Bird's Grove," Westmere, left Wanganui, on January 26th en route for a trip to England.

Mr C. W. Tanner is the winner of the annual handicap tournament of the Wellington Chess Club, which entitles him to the Petherick Shield. Messrs Kelling and W. E. Mason took second and third prizes respectively.

Mr J. B. Jack, of the head office of the Public Trust Office, has been transferred to Auckland, as senior clerk of the branch. Mr T. Browne, of the Auckland branch, goes to Wellington as cashier.

Mr J. H. Burrows (Beeston, Notts), arrived in Wellington by the Kaipara. He returns to England by the Paparoa in February, after visiting Rotorua and other places of interest in the colony.

Misses Williams and Traversa (Wellington) went to Masterton for the championship tennis tournament of the province. Miss Traversa was successful in carrying off the Ladies' Championship Singles.

Mr and Mrs Ralph Levoi (Wellington) are leaving New Zealand for Melbourne, as Mr Levoi has been appointed superintendent for Australasia of the New Zealand Accident Insurance Company.

Lieutenant-Colonel Sommerville, who is now in charge of the Veterans' Home, will be succeeded as chief executive officer of the New Zealand Rifle Association by Lieutenant-Colonel Collins, of Wellington.

Miss Wilson and Miss Ferard (Dunedin), who have been a day or two in Wellington on their way to Napier, made the overland journey from Christchurch to Nelson, passing through the Buller and Otira Gorges.

A present visitor to Wellington is Mr Justice Parker, of Perth, W.A., who is spending a holiday in New Zealand. His next move is to Lyttelton, and thence to the Cold Lakes and other places of interest in the South Island.

The Rev. S. Handover, who has left Palmerston North for Wellington, was presented before his departure with a silver communion service, the gift of the parishioners of St. Peter's Church, Terrace End.