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The engagement is announced of Miss McKellar to Mr. C. Rutherford, North Canterbury.

The engagement is announced of Miss C. McNeill, youngest daughter of Mr. A. McNeill, of Wanganui, to Mr. Holderness, solicitor, of Wanganui, and formerly of Christchurch.

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Personal Paragraphs.

His Excellency the Governor presided at the opening of the Wellington rowing season on Saturday. Lord Plunket is an avowed enthusiast of the sport, having at one time been deputy-captain of the Dublin University Rowing Club. Arrangements have been completed for Lady Plunket to visit Melbourne for the Melbourne Cup season early in November. Her Ladyship, who will be the guest at Melbourne of Sir Reginald Talbot (Governor of Victoria) and Lady Talbot, will leave Wellington on Saturday, October 22, for Sydney, and expects to be absent from New Zealand for about a month. She will be accompanied by the Hon. Kathleen Plunket, and Captain Braithwaite, A.D.C. On Tuesday last Lady Plunket, accompanied by the Hon. Kathleen Plunket and Captain Braithwaite, went to Napier, where they will be the guests of Sir William and Lady Russell for the few days during which the races are to be held.

Miss McDonnell, of Wellington, is the guest of Mrs. Fairburn, in Wanganui.

Mrs Sandes has returned to Hamilton after three weeks' stay in Auckland.

Miss Hannay (Featherston) has been staying with relations in Wellington.

Mrs Ward (Wellington) is staying with friends in Nelson.

Mrs Hamerton (Wellington) has gone to Sydney for trip.

Mrs. C. Johnston, of Wellington, is spending a few weeks in Wanganui.

Mrs. Nicholas, of Wanganui, has returned from her visit to Hawera.

Mrs Whitaker (Parnell) is spending a few days with friends in Hamilton.

Miss Bell, Springlands, Blenheim, has gone to Wellington on a visit.

Mrs Ponsonby (Wellington) has been visiting friends in Nelson.

Mr and Mrs C. Cox (Palmerston N.) are back after their trip to Australia.

Mrs Jack Hewitt (Pahiatua) has been visiting Captain and Mrs Hewitt, of Fitzherbert, Palmerston North.

Mrs Eliott (Auckland) is at present in Palmerston North, visiting her son, Mr Alfred Eliott.

Mr Spencer, of the Union Bank, Palmerston North, is away for his annual holiday at present.

Miss Lena Westenra (Christchurch) is visiting Gisborne, and is the guest of the Misses Monckton, Patutahi.

Mr. Lacey Peake, of Cambridge, is staying in Wanganui with his aunt, Mrs. Henry Peake.

Mrs. and Miss Sidney Johnston (Hawke's Bay) are the guests of Mrs. John Mason, in Wanganui.

Miss Whishaw, of the nursing staff of the Gisborne Hospital, has gone for a holiday to her home in Dannevirke.

Mrs Blackiston, who has been visiting Gisborne, has returned to Dannevirke.

Mrs Riley (Wellington) has gone to Masterton (Wairarapa) for some months.

Miss M. Devenish Meares (Christchurch) has returned from a pleasant holiday in Sydney.

Dr. Lenihan, R.C. Bishop of Auckland, has decided to attend the Catholic Congress in Sydney.

Miss N. Whitaker (Parnell) is spending her holidays with Mrs Edgecumbe (Frankton).

Mrs Hitchcock (Auckland) was a passenger to Sydney by the Moana last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Fitzherbert, of Wanganui, were in Napier for the golf tournament.

Mrs. and Miss Lucena (England) are staying with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hirst, South-road, Hawera.

Mr. and Miss Buller (Kaikoura) are visiting Mrs. Gilbert Anderson, Bryndwr, Christchurch.

Mrs. F. Riddiford (Palmerston North), who has been spending a few days in Hawera, has now returned to her home.

Mrs and Miss Reynolds (Dunedin) are in Wellington staying with Mr and Mrs Leslie Reynolds, in Guilford Terrace.

The appointment of Mr R. W. G. Lye as Registrar of Births, Deaths and Marriages at Wanganui is announced.

Miss Lysaght, of Mokoia, Hawera, is the guest of Mrs. Empson, Collegiate School, Wanganui.

Mr. J. A. Packer, of Sydney, has resigned the position of editor of the "Baptist," after occupying it some years.

Mrs. W. D. Wood (Christchurch) has gone to Ashburton on a visit to Mr. and Mrs. Derry Wood.

Mrs. Mellsop, of Palmerston North, is the guest of Mrs. Arthur Bimdell in Wanganui.

Miss Rosa Acland, of Mount Peel, Rangitata, is staying in Wanganui with friends.

Miss Roy (New Plymouth) is the guest of Mrs. White, Bank of New Zealand, Hawera.

Mr A. B. Donald returned to Auckland from the Eastern Pacific by the Taviuni last week.

Mr Arthur Howard, of the Post Office, Wellington, is spending a short holiday with relatives in Auckland.

Mrs. G. W. Binney is giving a euchre party and dance at her home, "Heseldon," Upper Queen-street, on Wednesday, October 19.

Mrs and Miss Ewen and Miss Butt (Wellington) are spending a few weeks in Australia. They are at present in Sydney.

Mr A. Greenfield, formerly S.M. at Palmerston North, was on a visit there last week. Mr Greenfield has just returned from a visit to England.

Mr and Mrs A. Strang, Mr and Mrs J. Strang, and Mrs Lionel Abraham (Palmerston North) were in Napier for the golf tournament.

Mr C. J. Parr, the well-known Auckland barrister, left on Monday for Australia to recuperate, his health having lately been very poor.

Mrs. H. Brett (Auckland) is visiting her daughters in Christchurch, and is at present the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Walcot Wood.

Miss Montgomerie, of Wanganui, has returned from her round of visits in Christchurch, Wellington, and the Wairarapa.

Mr and Mrs Crawford, of Te Puke, who returned to Auckland by the Sierra from their trip to the Old Country, have returned to Te Puke.

Mrs MacCormick, St. Martin's Lane, left Auckland by the s.s. Moana on Monday last on a visit to her sister in Sydney.

Mrs. Lindesay, of Parnell, who has been giving a series of informal table tennis during the winter evenings, intends giving a closing dance on October 14.

Mr Percy Hubme, who has held the position of accountant in the National Bank of New Zealand, Blenheim, has resigned, with the intention of starting in business on his own account.

Mr and Mrs M. Lindsay, who have been spending their honeymoon in the South Island, are back in Wellington for a short stay before going to England.

Mr. Guy Tabart (Christchurch), who has gone on a visit to Sydney, was entertained at dinner by a number of his friends before leaving, and presented with a handsome silver flask.

Mrs. Wilson (Hokitika), who came over to hear Paderewski, has returned home. She was the guest of Mrs. V. Hargreaves, Merivale Lane (writes our Christchurch correspondent).

Mr John Grace, of Leybourne Grange, Maidstone, Kent, who died a few days ago at his residence, was a brother of the late Hon. Dr. Grace, M.L.C., one of Wellington's most prominent citizens.

Mr R. M. Simpson has been re-elected President of the Wellington Lawn Tennis Association. Mr Simpson is at present on his way back to New Zealand after a holiday trip round the world.

Mr Frank Grady, jeweller, of Wellington, has been in Blenheim, rendering valuable assistance to the Exhibition Committee. Mr Grady was visiting his daughter, Mrs R. McCallum.

Miss Janet Wylde-Brown, who has been spending the past month or two with Mrs Arthur Rees (Gisborne), returned to Auckland by the Moana last Sunday.

Dr. Frazer Hurst has been elected captain of the Te Puke Mounted Rifles. He had been till the time of his election lieutenant, and his place in that position was taken by Sergeant Major Bostock.

The R.C. Bishop of Auckland, Dr. Lenihan, left the city on Monday for Sydney in the Moana. He intends to be present at the Catholic Congress at Melbourne, and will be away for about five weeks.

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