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Personal Paragraphs

AUCKLAND PROVINCE.

Mr. E. D. O'Rourke and Mrs. O'Rourke, with their eldest daughter, have left England for New Zealand. They will, it is understood, only remain a few months in the colony.

Mr. W. Loder has returned to Wellington, after a short stay in Auckland.

Miss H. Agnew-Browne (Gisborne) is at present visiting Auckland.

Mr P. Adair (Gisborne) has returned from his visit to Auckland.

Mr H. Watson (Hawke's Bay) is staying in Gisborne for a few days.

Mr. S. Mays, left Auckland last week by the Atua on a pleasure trip to the Islands and Sydney.

Mrs James Hally, of Cambridge, is at present in Auckland, visiting her daughter, Mrs C. Stewart.

Mrs W. Ring, of Hinners, has been staying at the Vicarage, Cambridge, for a few days.

Mr. E. Mahony, solicitor, returned from the South by the Takapuna last week.

Mrs J. C. Mackay, of Devonport, is in Cambridge staying with Dr. and Mrs Roberts.

Mr. T. Allen, who has been on a visit to the Islands, returned to Auckland from Sydney by the Mokoia last week.

Major and Mrs Pitt, who have been staying in Gisborne for a few days, have returned to their home in Auckland.

Miss Courtenay, who has been on a lengthened visit to Dunedin, returned to Auckland by the Zealandia on Sunday.

Mrs. Cotter, accompanied by her daughter (Miss Millie Cotter), left Auckland by the Mokoia last week for Sydney.

Mrs R. Pollock and Miss Madge Pollock returned to Sydney by the Zealandia, after a pleasant month's visit to Auckland.

Capt. Broadhouse, late second officer of the Southern Cross and master of the Clifton, has been appointed to the command of the Waipua.

Miss Purchase, who is going to Europe to finish her studies in art, left Auckland by the Zealandia on Monday for Sydney, en route for England.

Mr Frank E. Hudson, of Lapworth, Warwickshire, England, who was trout-fishing in the North Island last season, is again returning to the colony via Australia, by the R.M.S. Orient, which sailed from London on August 28th.

At the meeting of the Royal Yacht Squadron last week Mr. J. Alexander, on behalf of the members, presented Mr. Murdoch with a handsome shield of photographs of officers of the club, as a mark of appreciation of his services.

At a social gathering held last week Mr. Charles Clark, managing director of the New Zealand Laundry Company, was presented by the staff with a travelling bag, on the occasion of his departure for a holiday in Australia.

The numerous New Zealand friends of Mr C. C. Buckland will be interested to hear of his marriage with Miss Wilshire, of Sydney, which took place at Vancouver, on September 18th, 1907. Mr C. C. Buckland is the only son of Mr and Mrs W. F. Buckland, Cambridge.

Mr. Claude E. Collicutt, of Auckland, has just received an appointment at the Royal Infirmary, Birmingham, as member of the medical staff. Mr. Collicutt, who has been studying medicine at Edinburgh for four years, has won several prizes and other distinctions during his course. He received his M.B. and Ch.B. diplomas during the July session, and has evidently made a good start in his chosen profession.

Mr. J. Harrison, of the New Zealand Insurance Company, left on Monday by the Zealandia for Idiney, on his way to South Africa. Mr. Harrison was tendered socials by his numerous friends on Friday and Saturday evening, and was the recipient of a travelling bag, a cigarette case, and a large cabin trunk. On Friday last the staff of the company presented him with a collapsible handbag and a silver tea-service, the latter being in commemoration of his marriage.

Mr. Lawrence Frost, engineer of the s.s. Kapanui at the time of the collision of the Claymore and Kapanui, has been awarded the gold medal and certificate of the Royal Humane Society of Australasia, for his gallant action in rescuing Captain Southgate and others from drowning. The medal and certificate will be presented to Mr. Frost by his Worship the Mayor (Mr. A. M. Myers) at the meeting of the City Council on Friday next.

On Tuesday, September 17, a presentation was made on behalf of the students of the Auckland University College Association to the Rev. D. W. Runciman, M.A., who recently resigned the registration of the college, after holding it for many years. The presentation, which consisted of a solid silver salver, was made by Mr E. Northcroft, vice-president of the association, in the absence of the president, and, in doing so, he referred to the pleasant relations that had always existed between the retiring registrar and the students.

TARANAKI PROVINCE.

Mr Dick Davies, of Wellington, is on a visit to his relatives in New Plymouth.

Mr Syme, of Christchurch, is on a visit to New Plymouth.

Mr R. Buckley, of Wellington, has joined the staff of Messrs Wilson and Nolan, New Plymouth.

Miss Glenn, of Manaiti, who has been the guest of Miss Birdling, of Waitara, has now returned home.

Colonel Davis and Miss Eileen Davis, of Auckland, are the guests of Mrs Sladden, of New Plymouth.

Mr Findlay, of Hamilton, has joined the staff of the New Plymouth Magistrate's Court Offices.

Mr W. H. McGarry, Mrs McGarry, and children have returned home to Eltham, after a most delightful trip to the Old Country.

WELLINGTON PROVINCE.

Miss Skerman, of Martin, is the guest of Mrs H. Good in Wanganui.

Miss Mason, of Wanganui, has gone to New Plymouth for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Hursthouse are paying a round of visits in Marlborough.

Mr. La Trobe is back in Wellington, after a trip to Sydney.

Mr. and Mrs. Chapman are visiting Wellington.

Mrs. Bright (Wellington) is visiting friends in Blenheim.

Miss J. Coleridge (Wellington) has gone to the Wairarapa for a visit.

Mrs. Grenville Hume has returned to Wellington, after a visit to Palmerston.

Mr Flower (Christchurch) is the guest of Mrs F. Robinson, Palmerston.

Miss Winnie Watson (Palmerston) has returned from a trip to Napier.

Mrs Freeman Jackson (Palmerston) is visiting friends in Auckland.

Miss F. Robinson (Palmerston) has gone to Wellington.

Mrs. Tringham (Wairarapa) is making a short stay in Wellington.

Miss Koch has returned to Hawera, after a stay in Wellington.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Abraham are visiting Wellington.

Miss J. Moore is back in Wellington, after a trip home to the Wairarapa.

Mrs. Rhodes (Christchurch) is visiting Wellington.

Miss Binnie Stevenson has left Wellington for Sydney, en route to Siam, where her marriage will be celebrated.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Y. Lethbridge have gone back to Wanganui, after a stay of a week in Wellington.

Mrs and Miss Blundell, of Wanganui, left last week for Nelson where they intend to reside.

Mrs Riddell, of Napier, who has been staying in Wanganui with her mother, Mrs A. Lewis, has returned to her home.

Mrs Stamford, of Wanganui, is staying in New Plymouth with her daughter, Mrs Russell.

Miss Dalrymple, of Bulls, who has been the guest of Mrs Innes in Wanganui, has returned to her home.

Mrs Oldham, of Taihape, is the guest of her sister, Mrs Stevenson, in Wanganui.

Sir Francis Price (England) is visiting New Zealand, and is at present in Wellington. He holds a commission as lieutenant in the Welsh Fusiliers.

Professor and Mrs. Leacock, who have been spending some weeks in New Zealand, have gone back to Canada, via Sydney.

Mrs. and the Misses Chase-Morris, who are on their way to England and Europe, were passengers by the Monowai when she broke down between Wellington and Sydney.

Mrs. H. D. Belt and Miss Bell, of Wellington, are going back to England for a trip next month. Mrs. Bell's youngest daughter is at school in the Old Country.

Mr. Ernest Aves, who is visiting the colonies to study the labour laws, has arrived in Wellington from Sydney. He is accompanied by Mrs. Aves, and they will spend some time in Wellington before going on to other parts.

Dr. and Mrs. Arkle, who have been in Wellington, staying with the Hon. Dr. Findlay and Mrs. Findlay, have gone on to Dunedin. Dr. Arkle is a brother of Mrs. Findlay, and has been away in England for a couple of years.

The Hon. J. Trask and Mrs. Trask returned to Wellington lately, after a trip to the Old Country. They spent a few days in Wellington before going on to Nelson. The return journey was made by the Red Sea route, with a short stay in Australia.

Miss Marie Nelson, who has been spending some months in New Zealand, left Wellington last week on the return journey, which is being made by way of Sydney and Suez. While in New Zealand most of her time was spent in Wellington with her relations (Mr. and Mrs. H. Nelson).

Mrs. M. Lindsay has left England for a visit to New Zealand, and is expected in Wellington in a few weeks' time. She intends to pay a long visit to her parents (Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Riddiford) at the Lower Hutt. Her husband will join her later in the year, in order to spend his long leave in New Zealand. Mr. Lindsay is keen on deer-stalking, and hopes to get some out here. His people live in Timaru, but for some years he has been in England with his regiment.

SOUTH ISLAND.

Miss Kitson (Christchurch) is staying with relatives in Nelson.

Mr and Mrs Arthur Elworthy (Timaru) have been spending a week in Christchurch.

Mrs H. O. Devenish Meares returned to Christchurch last week from her visit to England.

Miss Deans (Riccarton) and Miss B. Russell (Christchurch) are visiting friends in Dunedin.

Mrs Seddon (Wellington) has been staying with her daughter, Mrs Bean, at Addington (Christchurch).

Mrs George Harper (Christchurch) has returned from Timaru, where she was the guest of Dr. and Mrs Loughnan.

The examinations of the University of New Zealand are announced to commence on Tuesday, 3rd December. Particulars of centres of examination and fees will be found in an advertisement in this issue.

The weariness of age may be overcome with Stearns' Wine, the best tonic for old people, for it whets the appetite and aids digestion, thus aiding the body where most needed.

Husband: "Another new dress? Where do you suppose I shall get the money from to pay for it?"
 Wife: "You must excuse me. I didn't marry you to give you financial advice."

The Passing of Exeter Hall.

The "Passing of Exeter Hall," London, was attended by a large number of people.

This title for the last meeting held within the familiar old grey building in the Strand was singularly appropriate. "We've come to the death-bed of a lifelong friend," said a veteran of 70, as he climbed the steps.

The meeting opened with a semblance of cheerfulness. Men chatted of the grand new building to be erected in Tottenham Court-road, and tried to persuade their women folk that it was best the old hall should go. But the women were very silent. They had come to say good-bye to a place where they had brought their sorrows and joys for many years.

"Many a time I've run to this old hall," a grey-haired woman cried. "And whatever the troubles have been it's lifted me up."

Mr T. A. Denny, the chairman, tried to infuse a spirit of optimism. He spoke of the thousands of young men who had passed through the hall, and had left it well equipped for the battle of life.

The most affecting moment was when the large audience rose to sing "Abide with Me." Mr Charles Alexander, the singing evangelist, came forward to bent time.

"Sing it as we have always sung it, comrades," he said.

The people shouted the first verse until it could be heard for some distance along the Strand. Then gradually voices broke down, died away, and were silent.

When the words, "Change and decay in all around I see," were reached, the women were sobbing, and for a time the men's voices alone took up the faltering refrain.

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