

Mr. W. McKenzie, of the "Sydney Sun," his wife and daughter, and his son (Lieutenant K. McKenzie, A.I.F.), are on a visit to New Zealand.

Seven Virginian deer were, in 1903, presented by the Tourist Department to the Lakes District Acclimatisation Society and liberated in the Rees Valley, at the head of Lake Wakatipu. No sportsmen or poachers having got amongst these deer, they have multiplied and done well, and it is estimated that they now number between 300 and 400. The only other part of New Zealand in which Virginian deer have been set loose is in Pegasus Bay, Stewart Island.

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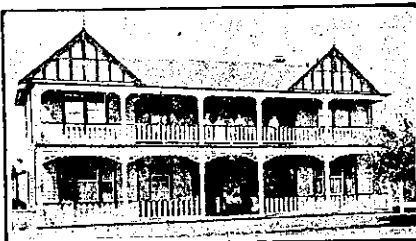
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