

HERE AND THERE.

The Earl and Countess of Liverpool left Wellington by the Ionic on Tuesday for Southampton, via Panama.

Mr. Bracey Wilson, who has been on a visit to the Old Country, has returned to Christchurch.

Mr. E. J. Watt. the well-known racehorse owner, arrived in Wellington from Sydney last week.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Friedlander, of Ashburton, left by the Ionic on a trip to England.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Veitch, Wellington have left on a visit to Syd-

Mr. J. G. Nichol, manager of the Farmers' Co-operative Organisation Society at Hawera, is leaving on a holiday trip to Australia.

Dr. A. K. Newman (Wellington East) stated in the House that he intends to ask the Government if it will set up a Commission to inquire into the alarming spread of cancer in our midst.

Profits on sales of land were the subject of inquiry in the House by Mr. Atmore (Nelson), who wished to know if the Prime Minister would direct the Board of Trade to inquire into the profiteering now rampant in connection with land sales, and if he did not think that the State was entitled to all undue profits made in this way.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Preston, Gisborne, have left on a visit to Sydney.

Mr. W. C. Macgregor, K.C., Crown Solicitor in Dunedin, has accepted the Solicitor-Generalship, vacated by Sir John Salmond, who is now on the Supreme Court Bench.

Mr. and Mrs. Thibaudet, residents of Papeete, Tahiti, arrived in Wel-lington, and left for England by the Argyllshire, en route for France.

General Sir Andrew Russell is to be invited to become the commander of the Legion of Frontiersmen in New Zealand.

An old inn, the Horse and Farrier, Gatley, Cheshire, was recently sold for £12,000.

Amongst the Australasian delegates to the Imperial Press Congress in Canada who left Auckland by the Niagara was the Hon. C. E. Davies, M.L.C., managing proprietor of the "Hobart Mercury." Mr. Davies is the leading Freemason of Tasmania, having occupied the post of Grand Master for upwards of twenty years. He is also a prominent sportsman in Australia, and races under the nom de course of S. M. Wilson.

Mr. W. Cecil Leys has been ap-pointed editor of the "Auckland Star" in succession to his father, Mr. Thomson W. Leys, who has seen 50 years' service as editor of Auckland journals, and who departed for Vancouver by the Niagara as head of the New Zealand delegation to the British Press Conference at Ottawa.



A NOTABLE GROUP TAKEN AT GOVERNMENT HOUSE, WELLINGTON.--Standing (from left): Captain H. G. de F. Garland, M.C.; Hon. Colonel W. E. Collins, C.M.G.; Mr. A. Cecil Day, C.B.E.; Colonel J. L. Sleeman, C.B.E., M.V.O. Sitting: Colonel J. R. Purdy, C.B.E.; Colonel R. J. Collins, C.M.G., I.S.O.; Brigadier-General D. J. McGavin, C.M.G., D.S.O.; His Excellency the Governor-General; Her Excellency the Countess of Liverpool, G.B.E.; Brigadier-General G. S. Richardson, C.B., C.M.G., C.B.E.; Mr. Gavin Hamilton, M.V.O.

Mr. R. Fraser, who has been the hosiery expert at the Roslyn Woollen Mills for over 20 years, left last week on a trip to England.

Mr. A. G. Henderson. manager of the "Lyttelton Times" Company, Christchurch. has been appointed Lecturer in Journalism by the Can-terbury College Board of Governors.

Mr. George Crow, Dunedin manager of the D.I.C., who has been on a business trip to America and Great Britain, returned to New Zealand last

Mr. Rupert Knowles, of Stanley Bay, Auckland, has been appointed secretary to Sir F. W. Lang, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

"They talk about a sugar shortage here," said Colonel Hunter, chief dental officer to the Education Department; "why, this community could do without two-thirds the sugar it con-sumes, and be all the better for it!"

"A Scotsman wandering about the United States with a corkscrew" was, Mr. Walter Runciman said at a Liberal demonstration in Edinburgh, the best definition of an optimist he had recently heard.

Mr. A. B. J. Irvine, late manager at Auckland for the Union Steam Ship Company, has left on a visit to Sydney .

General Bramwell Booth, commander-in-chief of the Salvation Army, was a passenger for Vancouver by the Niagara last week.

Mr. W. Barton, of White Rock, Wairarapa, has left on a visit to Europe. He is accompanied by his daughters.

The fact has just been made public that the Prince of Wales' tour in Canada cost £5000, a very modest sum in view of some Royal visits. King George's visit to India cost nearly £25,000. Only a small portion of this, however, had to be defrayed by the British ratepayer. The Ophir trip cost £150.000. When the Prince's grandfather-himself then only Prince of Wales-went to India in 1875, the trip cost £300,000, of which £112,000 was defrayed by the Treasury.

Mr. Eden George, who many years ago was Mayor of Christchurch, but

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Mr. and Mrs. Walter Neumegan have left Auckland on a holiday visit to Australia. They intend to visit Sydney, Melbourne, Adelaide, and Perth.

Sporting enthusiasts will welcome the intimation that the Cafe de Paris Hotel, right opposite the railway station at Palmerston North, has been taken over by a keen follower of the sport of kings in Mr. E. Perkis, who for many years was connected with China Navigation and Union m Ship companies. Mr. Perkis the Steam Ship companies. Mr. Perkis comes with the best of credentials. and he intends to make the Cafe de Paris Hotel one of the most popular hostelries in the North Island.

Constable Vivian Dudding, who was shot dead last October while performing his duty, is to have his memory perpetuated by a monument at Ka-rori Cemetery, Wellington, out of moneys subscribed by members of the New Zealand Police Force.

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The New South Wales Premier, Mr. Storey, says of the Prince of Wales: "He is truly democratic, and is a man who, if ever the opportunity comes his way, will knit more closely the scattered threads of the Empire. He has created a lasting favourable impression on the public mind.'

Mr. C. G. Young, of Wanganui, who has been on a trip to England and America for the benefit of his health. returned to New Zealand by the Moana.

Mr. H. S. Hislop, manager of Messrs. Stewart Dawson and Com-pany's Wellington branch, has left on a business visit to Sydney and Melbourne.

"Pussyfoot" insurance is the term which has been applied to a rate of 10s. per £100 sterling now being offered in the London market to cover the risk of the passing of an Act of Parliament within 12 months prohibiting the sale of alcoholic liquor in England. who now resides in Australia, arrived in Wellington from San Francisco, accompanied by Mrs. George, on his way back to Australia.

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There appeared in many parts of rural England during February hand-some new motor vans, bearing the inscription "Mac Fisheries." When the doors are opened a fully equipped and well-stocked fish shop is visible, and well-stocked hsh shop is visible, and for the first time villagers were able to purchase fish without the trouble of sending to the nearest towns. These vaus are part of the scheme under which Lord Leverhulme is entering into the fish trade. "Direct for the sea to the village," is his motio motto.

