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OTOROHANGA NEWS

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

TOPICS OF THE HOUR.

(Our Resident Representative.)

The Rev. J. Treharne Phillips, the vicar of Otorohanga, sails, with his wife and family, for the Homeland, from Wellington on the 15th inst., after being in charge of the Anglican district here for several years past. The vicar preaches his farewell sermon on Sunday next—when the Bishop of Waikato will be present. The parish will now be under the direct charge of the Bishop, who will ordain Mr Wright, a recent arrival from the Homeland, as incumbent—on Sunday next.

There was a good yarding of all classes of stock at yesterday's sale at Otorohanga, a feature of which was the sharp rise in fat sheep and cattle values. Dairy heifers were in keen demand, at very firm late rates, as were also good quality cows.

A pleasing attraction at a recent meeting of the W.C.T.U. was the presence of the Maori Entertainers troupe, who provided a number of greatly appreciated musical—and other items. A dainty afternoon tea was provided by Mesdames Bell and Hodson.

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On Saturday last, Mr Phil. Swift (of orchestra fame), only son of Mr and Mrs W. Swift, of Te Kuiti, was married to Miss Eleanor Tarrant, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs P. C. Tarrant, of Pio Pio.

A total of 6.79ins of rain fell on 23 days of July, at Otorohanga, compared with 3.72ins, on 15 days, of the same month in 1930.

Altogether 117 relief workers under the No. 4a. scheme have been placed with Otorohanga district farmers during the winter months. The Board decided last month that no further engagements, along these lines, should be made that would extend beyond August 31st, 1931.

Mr and Mrs J. P. Gardner, very old residents of Otorohanga, where Mr Gardner established a saddlery business, and conducted it for many years, have resumed business in Auckland.