

Timaru Herald. 27 Nov 1916 [03/03/2024]

Private Prestidge of Clandeboye, a member of the Reinforcements, was delayed in camp by illness when the other lads got away on their final leave, left for Trentham on Wednesday evening. At the railway station a number of friends assembled to bid him good-bye and good luck, and as the train left he was given three hearty cheers.

Timaru Herald. 11 June 1918 [03/03/2024]

At a social held in the Clandeboye Hall to welcome home Private Frank Prestidge, and to farewell Mr Jack Wedderspoon who goes into Camp shortly, the first part of the evening was devoted to songs, recitations and monologues. Songs were rendered by Mrs Goodall, Miss Harris, and Messrs Goodall, Bradley, Johnson and Kilgour, and a humorous recitation by Mr Taylor. The accompaniments were tastefully played by Mrs Goodall, Mr Bradley and Mr Johnson. At the close of the concert Mr Nolan, chairman of the Patriotic Committee, called on Mr Lions, who spoke a few words of welcome, and presented Private Prestidge with a gold medal suitably inscribed. Private Prestidge thanked all for their present and good wishes. At the same time Mr Sievwright presented Mr Wedderspoon with a money belt and set of military brushes, and wished him God speed. Mr Gunnion also said a few words. A bountiful supper was then partaken of, and the floor cleared for dancing. Music was supplied by Messrs Donnithorne and Davis, while Mr Leathem, assisted by Mr W. Lawlor, made an efficient M.C.

Temuka Leader. 11 June 1918 [03/03/2024]

WELCOME HOME AND FAREWELL AT CLANDEBOYE.

Last Thursday evening a social was held in the Clandeboye Hall to welcome home Private Frank Prestidge and to farewell Mr Jack Wedderspoon who goes into camp very shortly. The hall was well filled, visitors being present from surrounding districts. The first part of the evening was devoted to songs, recitations and monologues. Songs were rendered by Mrs Goodall, Miss Harris, and Messrs Johnson, Goodall, Bradley, and Kilgour, and a humorous recitation by Mr Taylor. The accompaniments were tastefully played by Mrs Goodall, Mr Bradley, and Mr Johnson. At the close of the concert, Mr J. J. Nolan, chairman of the Patriotic Committee, called on Mr Lion. Mr Lion, on behalf of the residents of Clandeboye, welcomed Private Prestidge, and presented him with a gold medal suitably inscribed. Pte. Prestidge thanked all for their present and good wishes. At the same time Mr Sievwright presented Mr Wedderspoon with a money belt and set of military brushes, and wished him God speed. Mr Gunnion also spoke a few words of welcome. A bountiful supper was then partaken of and the floor cleared for dancing. Music was supplied by Messrs Donnithorne and Davis, while Mr Leathem, assisted by Mr W. Lawlor, made an efficient M.C.

Temuka Leader. 30 March 1920 [03/03/2024]

On Friday evening last, the Returned soldiers of Milford district gave a social in the Milford Schoolroom to residents and other friends to show their appreciation of the many kindnesses conferred upon them during the war. There was a good attendance, and everything passed off very pleasantly, the returned men having left nothing undone that would tend to the enjoyment of their guests. Excellent music was supplied by Miss A. Mills and Mrs Burt extras being contributed by Mr Len. Donnithorne. Mr Stan Parke carried out the duties of M.C. in an efficient manner, and a splendid supper was provided. Messrs F. Prestige [sic], Stan. Parke and N. Cuthbert, who carried out the arrangements on behalf of the returned soldiers, are to be congratulated on the success of their efforts.