

Timaru Herald. 8 June 1915 (Papers Past) [19/08/2016]

The Pleasant Point Amateur Theatrical Society visited Sutherlands, and gave a concert in aid of the school funds. A hearty vote of thanks was given to the company who had entertained the audience so well that evening, and by whose efforts, the school funds would be considerably augmented. After the concert a presentation was made to Mr John Boothby, who was leaving for Trentham to join the reinforcements. Mr Wall presented him, on behalf of the Sutherlands' people, with a shaving outfit, a wristlet watch, fountain pen, and pocket wallet. Mr Boothby suitably responded. Supper was then served and the entertainment concluded with a dance.

Timaru Herald. 11 June 1915 (Papers Past) [19/08/2016]

On Wednesday, 26th May, a few friends gathered at the residence of Mr and Mrs J. Walker, junr., Sutherlands, to bid farewell to Mr John Boothby, who has left for Trentham to join the Reinforcements. A very enjoyable evening was spent with cards, songs and story, and after supper Mr H. O'Donnell was called on to make a presentation of a pair of military brushes in case, on behalf of a few friends, to Mr Boothby. Mr Boothby is the first to join the forces from Sutherlands, and his action is much appreciated. The gathering broke up with cheers for our nurses at the front, and for our soldiers, and the singing of "Auld Lang Syne."

Lyttelton Times. 26 October 1916 (Papers Past) [24/07/2024]

Rifleman Jack Boothby, wounded on September 29, was an Australian, his father, Mr W. G. Boothby, living in Ramsey, Victoria; but for a few years previous to the war Rifleman Boothby engaged in farming in the Cave district. He went into camp with the 1st Battalion of the New Zealand Rifle Brigade, but was detained on account of sickness, and eventually embarked with the Tenth Reinforcements. On arrival in France he was transferred back to his old battalion.

Sun. 26 October 1916 (Papers Past) [24/07/2024]

Rifleman Jack Boothby (wounded) is an Australian by birth, but was farming in the Cave district for some years before leaving for camp with the 1st Battalion of the Rifle Brigade. He took ill and was forced to postpone his departure until the 10th Reinforcement sailed. In France he was transferred to his old battalion.

Timaru Herald. 4 November 1916 (Papers Past) [19/08/2016]

Mrs J. Walker, of Cave, received word on Thursday from the Minister of Defence that Rifleman John Boothby was wounded in the left leg. Rifleman Boothby underwent an operation before he could get away, and left with the Tenth Reinforcement, joining the Rifle Brigade in France. He belonged to the Sutherlands district.

Timaru Herald. 25 September 1918 (Papers Past) [19/08/2016]

SOLDIERS RETURNED.

BY YESTERDAY'S EXPRESS,

Yesterday afternoon by the Express from Christchurch ten South Canterbury wounded soldiers returned from the war. They were met and welcomed by the Mayor, members of the Reception Committee, and a large number of the general public.

From the steps of the station platform the Mayor extended a very cordial welcome home to the men and called for three cheers for them. These were heartily given, after which the soldiers were driven to their respective homes in cars which were in waiting for that purpose. The names of the returned men are as follows: -

Boothby, Sergt. (Cot Case).

Calvert, Rflm. (Otipua Road).

Thew, Rflm (Church Street).

Mitchell, Lance-Corpl. (Maltby Avenue).

Tennant, Corpl. M.M. (Wai-iti road).

Clissold, Prvte. (Le Cren street).

Gardner, J. J., Pvte. (Elizabeth St).

Hutchison, A., Pvte. (Woollcombe street).

MacDermott, J., Pvte. (Maltby Av.).

Matthews, S., Pvte. (Avenue road).

King, A. H., Pvte. (Washdyke).

Bain, W., Pvte. (Kimbell, Fairlie).

Cars were lent by Misses Pringle, Le Cren, Mr R. J. McKeown, Manning and Dawson, Mr Geo. Watts, Kernohan, McCahon, Adams Ltd., Miss Evans, Mr W. King, and Mr C. E. Shallcrass.

Timaru Herald. 25 February 1925 (Papers Past) [24/07/2024]

WEDDINGS.

BOOTHBY—McKELVY.

A quiet wedding was celebrated in Chalmers Church, Timaru, when Miss Mary McKelvy, third daughter of the late Mr John McKelvy, Timaru, was married to Mr John Boothby of Ashburton. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. G. D. Falconer of Pleasant Point. The bride who entered the church on the arm of her uncle (Mr F. Smith) was beautifully gowned in brocaded satin. Her soft flowing tulle veil was fastened with posies of orange blossoms. Her bouquet was of sweet peas, auratum lilies and gypsophila. The bride was attended by her niece, Miss Olive Caird, who wore a dainty frock of shrimp pink brocaded crepe de chine and a coronet of tulle, and carried a bouquet of mauve scabious and asparagus fern. Mr. F. McKelvy, brother of the bride, was best man.

After the ceremony the sisters of the bride received the guests in the Wentworth Tea Rooms. The Rev. G. D. Falconer presided and the usual toasts were honoured.

Later in the afternoon Mr and Mrs Boothby left for their wedding tour to the West Coast, the bride wearing a navy tailored costume and navy georgette hat, with Oriental trimmings.