

# Dorcas Mitchell And the Bradley Family

Cobbled together by Bev  
for her remarkable friend

Steve Hooker  
Deaf  
Historian  
2016

# Dorcas Mitchell

Born around 1838 in Scotland, her Father was James Mitchell who was residing in Glasgow at his death. Dorcas moved to England to work to support herself. As yet unmarried she spent time with the Spencer family as a house maid at the age of 23 in Eastbourne, Sussex, England. (Census 1861 UK) John Spencer was a Londoner and is listed as a Wine Merchant and his wife Elisabeth was born in Scotland. See page 2

There are various accounts of her coming to New Zealand. Some have said she came with the family of Rev. Reginald Robert Bradley to teach the four Deaf children of the family. Another account says she came to her brother in Australia for two years before coming on to New Zealand to teach the Deaf children of the Bradley family.

---

She was a witness to a Bradley marriage in 1872.

<http://homepages.ihug.co.nz/~ashleigh/Library.BMDs/BRADLEY.Christchurch.City.Library.BMD.html>

Isaac Edward TAYLOR & Mary Elizabeth Bradley m. 22 May 1872 at St Peter's, head of the Bay.

ages: both full: occ: stationholder:

witness: Kate B.Bradley: Harriet Hawkins: Mary Christian Cholmondeley: Dorcas Mitchell: James Orton:

---

She was well known for being the teacher of the Deaf Bradley children.

## Quest For Equity

### A History of Blindness Advocacy in New Zealand

by Greg Newbold

It was fairly late in the nineteenth century before the plight of the visually and hearing impaired drew any specific attention. **In 1870 education for the four deaf children of one family was privately organised at Charteris Bay near Christchurch.** Three years later a remit from the Hon. Colonel Brett was put before the Legislative Council. This called for the government to undertake a census of the deaf and blind to establish their numbers and condition, and to provide assistance for those in need. As a result, in 1874 the Council declared it desirable that an industrial school for the deaf and the blind be established.

It was several years before any action was taken. The Education Act 1877 introduced free, compulsory and secular education for all children aged between seven and 13 years, but the deaf and the blind were apparently excluded under a clause which exempted those with "permanent infirmity". In 1878 a further call, this time by the Hon. William Rolleston, was made for the establishment of an "asylum" for the deaf. Two years later the world's first government-funded school for the deaf, the Sumner Institution for the Deaf and Dumb, was opened in Christchurch (Mitchell and Mitchell, 1985: 4-8).

Dorcas G Mitchell England and Wales Census, 1861

Name Dorcas G Mitchell

County Sussex

Event Type Census

Event Date 1861

Event Place Eastbourne, Sussex, England

Ecclesiastical Parish Trinity

Registration District Eastbourne

Residence Note Grand Parade

Gender Female

Age 23

Marital Status Unmarried

Occupation Housemaid

Relationship to Head of Household Servant

Birth Year (Estimated) 1838

Birthplace Scotland

Page Number 29

Registration Number RG09

Piece/Folio 567 / 65

Affiliate Record Type Household

John M Spencer	Head	M	47	London, Middlesex
Elizabeth Spencer	Wife	F	40	Scotland
Elizabeth E Spencer	Daughter	F	12	London, Middlesex
Margaret K Spencer	Daughter	F	9	London, Middlesex
Annie Spencer	Daughter	F	5	Highbury London,
Charles Spencer	Son	M	3	Highbury London,
Robert H Spencer	Son	M	1	Highbury London,
Elizabeth Crawford	Mother In Law	F	65	Scotland
Helen G Dawson	Visitor	F	26	Stafford,

## **Dorcas G Mitchell Servant F 23 Scotland**

Harriet S Darrin Servant F 29 London, Middlesex

Mary J Rayman Servant F 18 ..., Norfolk

### CITING THIS RECORD

"England and Wales Census, 1861," database with images, FamilySearch (<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:M7TN-BXF> : accessed 12 March 2016), Dorcas G Mitchell in household of John M Spencer, Eastbourne, Sussex, England; from "1861 England, Scotland and Wales census," database and images, findmypast (<http://www.findmypast.com> : n.d.); citing PRO RG 9, The National

Papen, Friedrich (1840-1906) was a German, generally known as Pope. He was supposed to have delivered bread as a boy in the streets of New York; also to have been "wanted" for manslaughter in the West Coast goldfields, having killed a man in a fight. He arrived in the Chathams in '65 and worked for Ernst at Mangamui. It was said that he had asked every marriageable woman in the Islands to marry him, till finally Dorcas's governess, Dorcas Mitchell accepted him. She was the sister of a Scottish Presbyterian minister and had gone to London to earn her living. She had been housekeeper to a family called Spencer till she joined her brother in Aust. and kept house in the Manse. She then crossed to Canterbury and applied to the Deaf & Dumb School for a job but failed to get one. In Ch. Is. she met her old minister, Mrs Spencer, and later taught a deaf family and from there went to the Chathams where she married Friedrich Papen in '81. They leased a section of Kikerone and W. Jacobs, q.v. built them a house. They had a wool clip of 14 bales. Papen's little harbour, Whangaroa Bay, was easily the most sheltered in the Island. His farm was of 300 ac.

mar. 14.6.81 at Waitangi Dorcas Giel's oldest daughter Mitchell of Glasgow  
 E.C. Richards, Chatham Is. ; CT 25.10.81: 22.3.82: 10.11.86. Unrecorded (see 11).



<http://mp.natlib.govt.nz/detail/?id=5954&l=en>

Mr and Mrs Diedrich Papen sitting on the verandah of Henderson House, Chatham Islands

Reference Number: 1/2-034890-G

Mr and Mrs Diedrich Papen sitting on the verandah of Henderson House, Chatham Islands, taken by E M C Guest. Behind them are pot plants. The woman holds a kitten.



Waitangi, Chatham Islands.

Papers Past > New Zealand Herald > 7 November 1881 > Page 6 > MARRIAGES.

MARRIAGES. New Zealand Herald, Volume XVIII, Issue 6232, 7 November 1881, Page 6

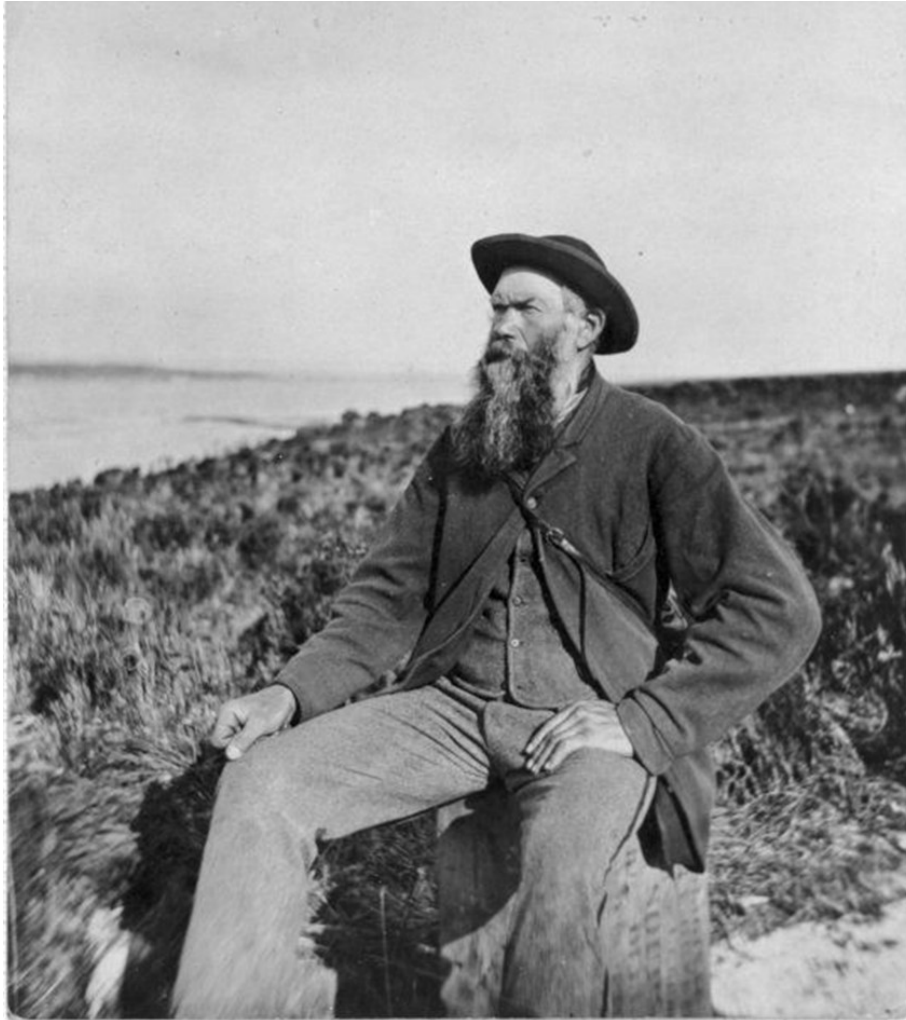
Married 2 JUNE 1881

**PAPEN—MITCHELL.—On June 4, at Waitangi, Chatham Islands, Diederich Papen, sheep farmer, Whangaroa, to Dorcas Ziels, eldest daughter of the late James Mitchell, Esq., of Glasgow, Scotland.**

<https://www.bdmhistoricalrecords.dia.govt.nz/Search/Search.aspx?Path=%2FdeathSelect.m%3Fsort%3Ddsur%24bdsur%24#matches>

Registration Number	Family Name	Given Name(s)	Date of Birth	Age at Death	
1924/4209	Papen	Dorcas Beils		88Y	Christchurch

<http://mp.natlib.govt.nz/detail/?id=40059&l=en>



Diedrich Papen worked for ENGST

Missionary Johannes Gottfried Engst, Chatham Islands, 1874

Reference Number: PAColl-0058-10 Johannes Goffried Engst, a German missionary, Chatham Islands. Photographed in 1874 by William H Rau.

Shortly after this time in the 1840's, early settlers arrived trying to eek out an existence on these relatively barren, wind-blasted islands. German missionaries followed. During this time, Christian missionaries were converting the Maori in New Zealand itself with a fair amount of success. One notable exception, noted in the Penguin History of New Zealand, was the German missionary, Johann Gottfried Engst, in the Chatham Islands who labored in the field for 68 years without making a single conversion.

Here is a picture of Engst in 1874 thinking, "Maybe today, maybe today will be the day I finally convert someone."

<http://nzetc.victoria.ac.nz/tm/scholarly/tei-GasSold-t1-body-d12.html>

Mr. Engst was an interesting person, being the last survivor of the two or three German missionaries, who were among the first white men to make a home on the Chathams. He had many extraordinary experiences to relate of early hardships and dangers endured, and he often reminded me of what I had read of Cromwell's Ironsides and the dour old Scotch Covenanters: bigoted and narrow and perhaps merciless in upholding their opinions of right, but with the courage and determination of a bull-dog.

"A"

This is the last will and testament of  
Diederich Papen Whangaroa, Chatham Islands  
I hereby give, devise, and bequeath to my Wife Dorcas  
Giels Papen, for her own use and benefit, absolutely  
and forever, all my estate and effects, both real  
and personal, whatsoever and wheresoever, and  
of what nature and quality soever; and I hereby  
appoint her the said Dorcas Giels Papen sole  
executrix, of this my will. In witness whereof I  
have hereunto set my hand this twenty-fourth day  
of March. One thousand eight hundred and eighty  
four.

Diederich Papen

Signed by the said Diederich Papen in the presence  
of us, present at the same time, who, in his presence,  
and in the presence of each other, attest and subscribe  
our names as witnesses hereto.

Louis Bradley, Charteris Bay, Lyttelton, New Zealand.  
Hake Bowerly Bradley, Charteris Bay, Lyttelton, N.Z.

[Diederich Papen](#)

New Zealand, Archives New Zealand, Probate Records, 1843-1998

probate:1907 Wellington, Wellington, New Zealand

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW ZEALAND

*Wellington Canterbury* DISTRICT

IN THE MATTER of the will of DIEDERICH PAPEN late of  
Waangaroa in the Chatham Islands in the  
District of Wellington Sheepfarmer

Deceased

I DORCAS GEILS PAPEN of Waangaroa aforesaid widow make oath  
and say:-



1. I knew the above named Diederich Papen when alive,  
the said Diederich Papen was resident at Waangaroa aforesaid  
and died at Christchurch in the District of Canterbury on  
or about the ninth day of September one thousand nine hun-  
dred and six

2. I believe the paper writing now produced and shewn  
to me marked with the letter "A" to be the last will and  
testament of the above named Diederich Papen deceased and  
I am the executrix therein named

3. To the best of my knowledge information and  
belief the value of the estate of the said Diederich Papen  
to be administered by me is under six hundred pounds

4. I will faithfully execute the said will by paying  
the debts and legacies of the deceased as far as the  
property will extend and the law binds

5. I will exhibit unto This Honourable Court a true  
full and perfect inventory of all the estate and effects  
of the said deceased and I will file an account of my ad-  
ministration thereof within such respective periods as This  
Honourable Court on granting Probate may order and direct.

SWORN at Christchurch by the said Dorcas Geils

Papen this *19<sup>th</sup>* day of April 1907 Before me *Dorcas Geils Papen*

*J. C. Clayton*

A Solicitor of the Supreme Court of New Zealand

[Diederich Papen](#)

New Zealand, Archives New Zealand, Probate Records, 1843-1998

probate:1907 Wellington, Wellington, New Zealand

## BRADLEY, REGINALD ROBERT

born 10 Nov 1825 Eden Place Kirkby Stephen Westmorland baptised 13 Nov 1825 Kirkby Stephen

died 29 Jan 1892 Charteris Bay Bank Peninsula buried S Cuthbert churchyard Governor's Bay

brother to Richard Holland BRADLEY surgeon (1847) of Greenwich London

youngest son of Orton BRADLEY surgeon MRCS London (1851) of Kirkby Stephen, not practising baptised 06 Apr 1788 Kirkby Stephen Westmorland died 28 Mar 1857 of Eden Place Kirkby Stephen,

son of Robert BRADLEY and Margaret ORTON; and Mary - born c1788 London; married

Reginald Robert Bradley first marriage (i) 31 Dec 1849 Lee Kent, Alice Georgina SANDERS born c1828 baptised 25 Jun 1828 S Clement Danes Westminster Middlesex died 29 Jul 1850 age 22 Gold Coast West Africa eldest daughter of Major Charles Oakley SANDERS K.C.S of Lewisham Kent died Mar ¼ 1883 Bath married 07 Aug 1823 S Mary Lambeth and Alicia GAITSKELL ;

married (ii) 21 Jun 1855 Onchan Isle of Man, Frances BRADLEY, his cousin born c1833 died 14 Oct 1891 Charteris Bay Bank Peninsula niece to Orton BRADLEY of Kirkby Stephen daughter of Richard BRADLEY of Sunderland (411;290;13;21;56;62) [Note: Caroline BRADLEY niece of RR BRADLEY married William Deans GEBBIE youngest son of John GEBBIE; see COCKS, PJ]

Education 1842-1845 Sedburgh 1846 Maltby Prize Durham University College 1848 BA Durham University College 1949 LTh Durham University College 1851 MA Durham University College 15 Jul 1849 deacon Durham 16 Dec 1849 priest Durham (8;41;290)

Positions 1849 chaplain forces Cape Coast Castle Gold Coast West Africa (41) 1851 curate Warcop Appleby co Westmorland diocese Carlisle 30 Mar unmarried, age 25 curate of Warcop with his parents, siblings Frances E BRADLEY 33, and Eleanor C BRADLEY 22, four servants, 32 Eden Place Hartley Westmorland (300)

1852-1855 assistant curate Crosby Garrett Westmorland (290;8)

1855 arrived Lyttelton SERGE (13) 1856-1857 in charge Papanui (14;6); first resident priest Papanui (6) diocese Christchurch

Oct 1858 bought 2,000 acres land Charteris Bay Lyttelton

1858-1865 preached alternate Sundays Puaha [sic] (114) 1860 cure Purau and Governor's Bay (3) 1869 unattached residing Charteris Bay (8) 1871-20 Jun 1872 cure Governor's Bay (14) 12 May 1872 officiating minister (3) 'occasional duty Christchurch' (8) residing Charteris Bay Oct 1882 owner of land worth £6 500 Other contributor to Tales of Banks Peninsula (HC Jacobson) (114) Dec 1900 brass altar candlesticks in memory of BRADLEY and wife, S Cuthbert Governor's Bay (36;13;8) 01 Feb 1892 obituary (41)

From the Papanui St Paul's Parish website, 'On January 10th, 1856 the Rev R R Bradley Ma. , was

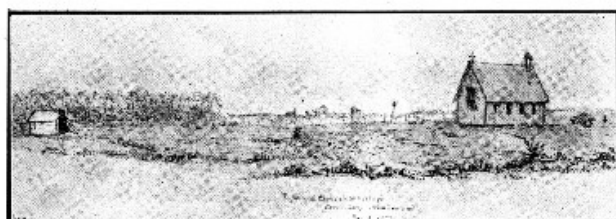


REV. R. A. BRADLEY,  
1856-1859

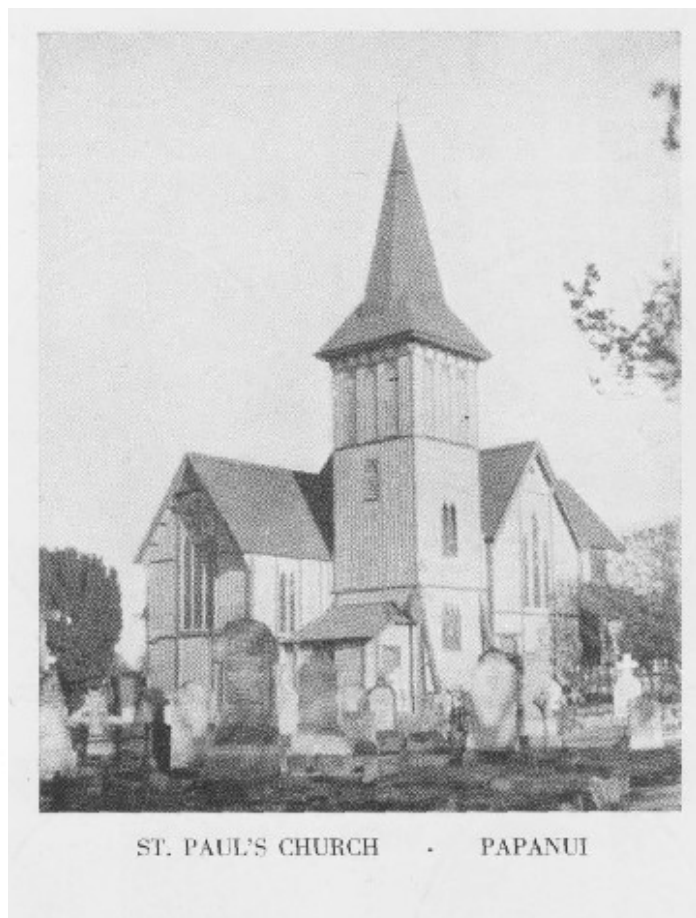
duly appointed as the first incumbent. Prior to coming to New Zealand he had been Colonial Chaplain to Cape Coast Castle, West Africa. Returning to England he was appointed Curate of Crosby Garrett, Westmoreland. He came to New Zealand in 1855. He remained at Papanui till 1859 when he was appointed to Purau and Charteris Bay. He resided on his own property at Charteris Bay doing clerical duty voluntarily. He died in 1892 and was buried in St. Cuthbert's Churchyard, Governor's Bay. He performed the first marriage recorded at St. Paul's, Papanui. It was on April 15th, 1856, and the contracting couple were Walter Gee and Ruth Coster.



INTERIOR OF ST. PAUL'S, 1900.



PAPANUI CHURCH AND VILLAGE.  
Sketch by Dr. Barker, December 9th. 1852.



ST. PAUL'S CHURCH . PAPANUI

## PAPANUI ANGLICAN CEMETERY

When Christchurch was settled, sawyers were drawn to the Papanui bush, one of the few places containing timber for house construction. Land was sold at a good price four or five pounds per acre and the village soon had, 'in addition to the inevitable hotel, store and blacksmith's shop', a clothing store, butchery and pharmacy, while the settlers included several market gardeners. Although Papanui Road was a cattle track, the district was 'full of dells and shady vales where many a picnic party spent a truly delightful day'.

In 1852 artisans began building an Anglican church. It is likely that no donor came forward and that the faithful purchased a site. William Guise Brittan, owner of 50 acres of bush land, gave the timber. The date when the church was opened is unknown. **In 1856-57 the first resident clergyman, Reginald Robert Bradley, housed his poultry beneath the church. One Sunday, while standing in the pulpit, he roused a sleepy parishioner with the order to go and drive those guinea fowl away.**

The first church was so inadequate that, when the children were seated, there was room for only a modest number of adults. The vicar and vestry decided that a new building should be erected and, in 1876-77 commissioned the architect, B. W. Mountfort. The kauri-built St. Paul's, with its tower and broach spire, was a much grander affair than most of the churches which Mountfort designed for country and outlying Christchurch districts. The new church stood further back from Harewood Road than had its humble predecessor.

Vicar-elect George Dunnage, who had selected land on Papanui Road between Grants Road and the Main North Road, died on 19 May 1853 and was the first person buried in the churchyard. Of the 20 burials which followed most were of small children. In 1859 the Rev. John James of Oxfordshire, England, who, in 1850, had purchased Rural Section 151, 100 acres at Papanui, presented 10 acres to the parish. Two and a quarter acres were added to the cemetery.

The destruction of the bush left Papanui as an area of farms and seed nurseries. Towards the end of the 19th century growers established apple orchards while prosperous people built homes in the district.

<http://nzetc.victoria.ac.nz/tm/scholarly/tei-Cyc03Cycl-t1-body1-d6-d106-d3.html>

---

<http://nzetc.victoria.ac.nz/tm/scholarly/tei-Cyc03Cycl-t1-body1-d3-d63-d1.html>

The late Mr. W. G. Brittan owned part of the Papanui bush, and it was he who presented the Church of England with timber for its local building. **In 1853 the Rev. R. R. Bradley became the first resident clergyman, and he afterwards assured a friend that his remuneration at first averaged barely six shillings a day.** Even up to the year 1860 portions of the track beyond Papanui, towards the Styx, were almost impassable for heavy loads, owing to the swampy nature of the ground. The bush swarmed at times with kakas and native pigeons, and it was no unusual thing for settlers to shoot paradise ducks, grey ducks, and teal from the verandahs of their houses. It indeed seems a long way back to those times from these days of railways, tram services, bicycles, and other luxurious modern conveniences.

<http://nzetc.victoria.ac.nz/tm/scholarly/tei-Cyc03Cycl-t1-body1-d3-d63-d2.html>

Mr. William Lawrence, father of the present proprietor, bought the hotel from the late Mr. Meddings, who had bought the building from the Rev. Mr. Bradley, for whom it had been erected as a parsonage. Mr. Lawrence, senior, arrived in New Zealand in 1862.

1855. Marriage solemnized at the Parish Church in the Parish of Puchau in the County of Ble of Man

No.	When Married.	Name and Surname.	Age.	Condition.	Rank or Profession.	Residence at the Time of Marriage.	Father's Name and Surname.	Rank or Profession of Father.
44	June 21. 1855	Requiescat Robert Bradley Francis Bradley	full full	widower spinster	Ungyiman ..	Kirkby Stephen " Puchau	Orton Bradley. the late Richard Bradley	Surgeon gentleman

Married in the Parish Church according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the Established Church of Great Britain by me, J. H. Gray, M. A.

This Marriage was solemnized between us, Reginald Robert Bradley and Francis Bradley in the Presence of us, Wm. H. L. Jackson and Wm. H. L. Jackson and Wm. H. L. Jackson and Wm. H. L. Jackson



SKETCH OF LYTTELTON FROM CHARTERS BAY, 1854.

The first marriage was that of Reginald Orton Bradley (cousin of the present Mr. O. Bradley), to Jennie Manson, on December 21st, 1865, by the Rev. R. R. Bradley.

Surge (arrived 28/01/1856) in The Lyttelton Times, 30/01/1856, p 4

### Surge

Ship: 543 tons

Captain: Jarvis

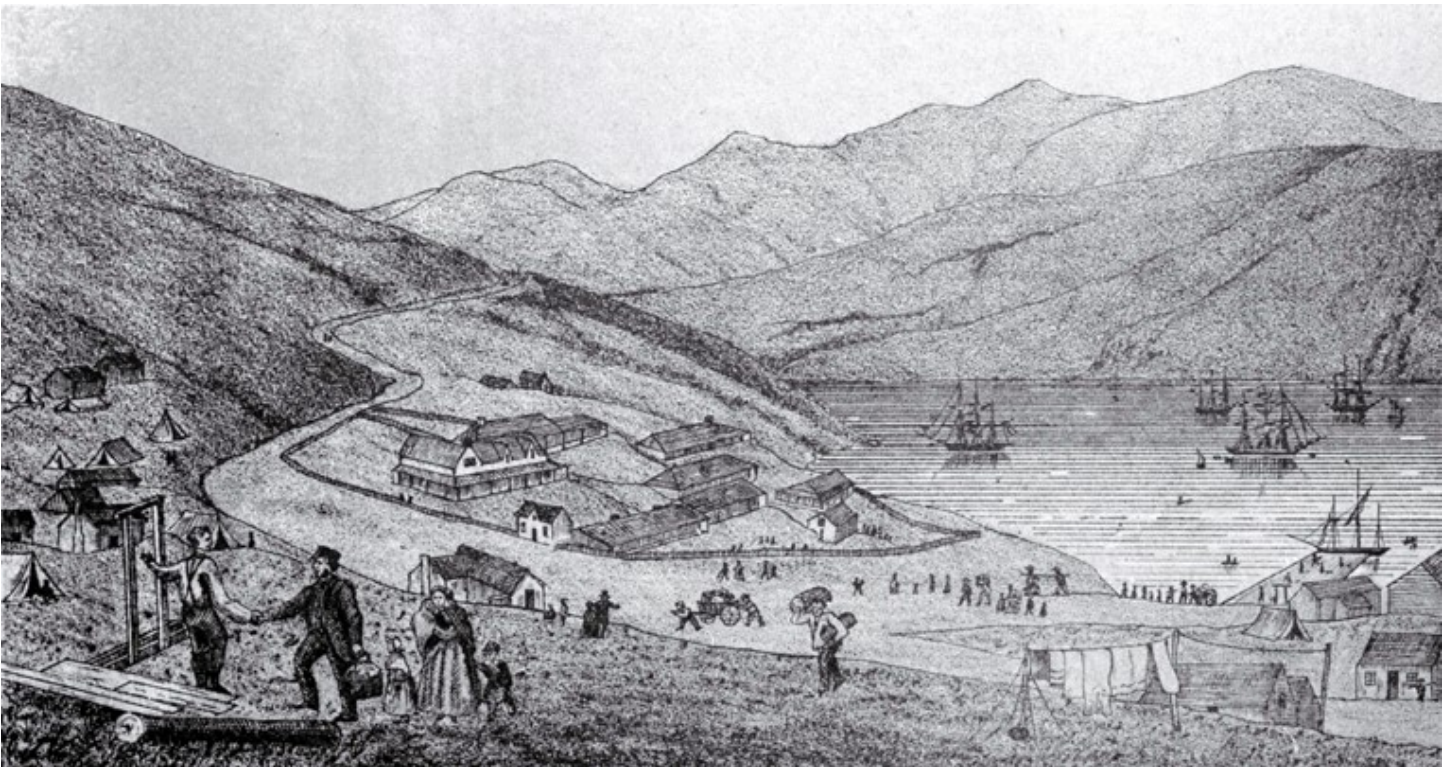
Surgeon Superintendent:

Sailed London October 31st 1855 - arrived Wellington December 16th 1855

<i>Name</i>	<i>Age</i>	<i>County</i>	<i>Occupation</i>
-------------	------------	---------------	-------------------

Bradley	Reverend R R		
---------	--------------	--	--

	Mrs		
--	-----	--	--



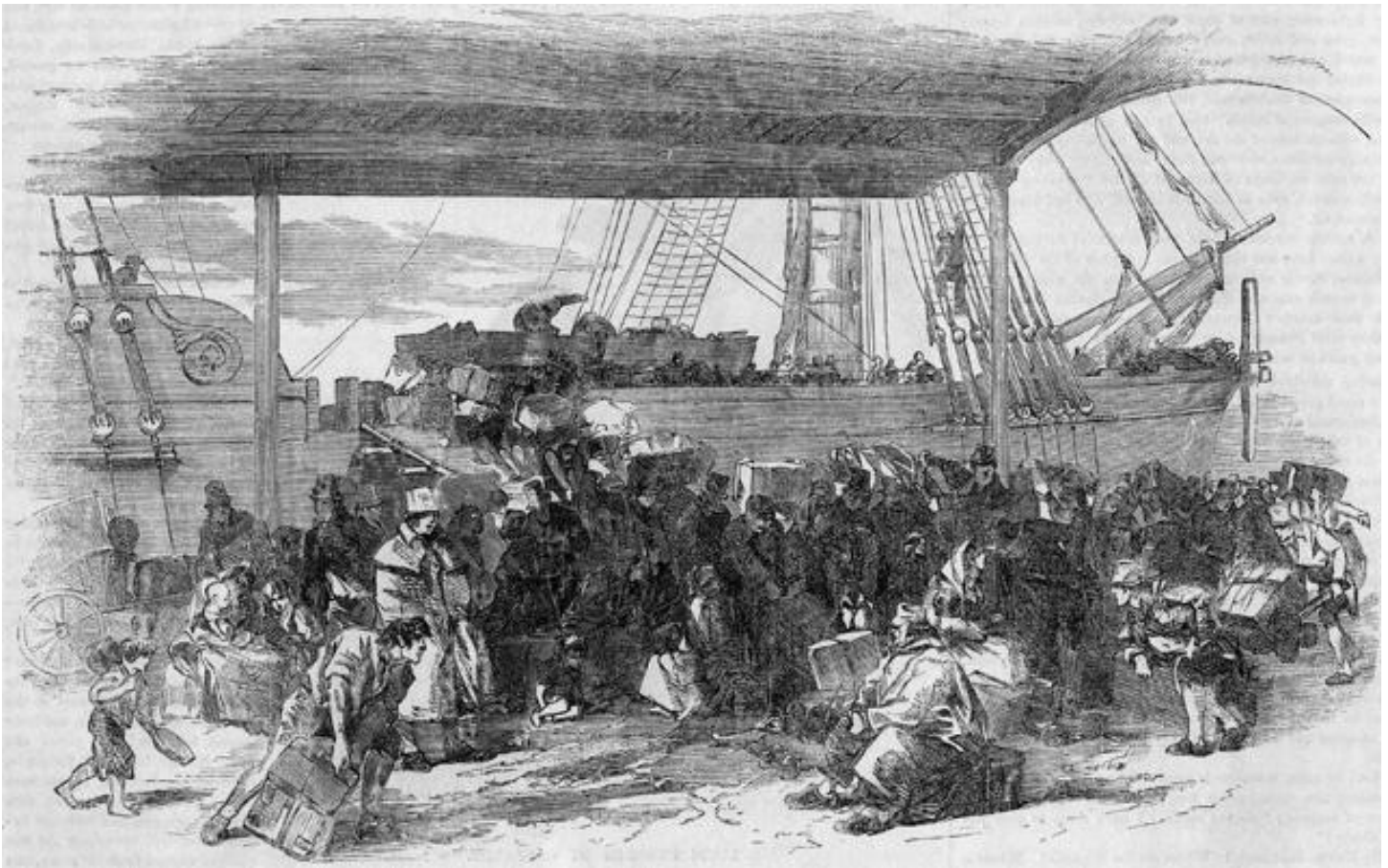
Port Lyttelton, showing the first four ships and emigrants landing from the Cressy, December 28th 1850 [28 Dec. 1850]

## *Diary - The Voyage of the "Surge"*



The ship "[Surge](#)", 543 tons. Captain Jarvis, sailed August 31st from London, arrived at Wellington December 16th 1855, with 89 passengers. 28th August 1855 - We join the ship "The Surge" at Gravesend, (Captain Jarvis) bound for Wellington, New Zealand. We remained here on 29th and 30th and started between 1 and 2 on the morning of the 31st. but a thick fog coming on, we were compelled to cast anchor a little below Gravesend for the remainder of the night, but the fog clearing away, we again weighed anchor and started at 9 am being towed by a steamer. Halfpast two o'clock, off Sheerness.





**1st Sept: Saturday** - After a stinking breeze all night, at 7 in the morning were off Beechy Head. The pilot left us last night after having conducted us in safety off Deal which we reached at 10 o'clock at night. This is a beautiful morning and we are sailing before a fine wind with all sails set for the Lands End off the Isle of Wight. At 3 o'clock reached the Scilly Isles in the morning. Fair winds but blowing hard, the ship pitching and rolling very much, not affecting me yet. Glorious setting sun. 2nd Sept: Sunday - 9 o'clock in the morning, a fine morning - and in the Bay of Biscay, all well. 3rd Sept: Monday - In the Bay of Biscay - fine day and fine breeze. Wind fair. Some rain at 10 o'clock. Dinner at 12 - fresh meat -last time. In the Bay all night. Blowing a gale. Ship all safe but rolling.

**4th Sept: Tuesday** - Fine morning. Still in the Bay. Fresh but fair wind. Descried a brig to leeward at 8 o'clock. While in the Bay saw several porpoises, petrels, swallows etc. Rainbow in the Bay at 8 o'clock - morning.

5th Sept: Wednesday - A fair wind and beautiful sun towards the Western Islands.

6th Sept: Thursday - Wind fair and smooth sea. Going on towards Madeira. Fair wind and weather.

7th September. Friday - Still a fair wind and all well, heading on we reach Madeira. 8th Sept: Saturday - Off Porto Santo at 7 o'clock in the morning then - a run of 7 days from the Isle of Wight. So quick a passage is rarely made. Most beautiful morning and very mild. Off Madeira at 12 o'clock. Hazy. Passed it about 6 o'clock evening. Sea quite calm. Splendid starry night.

**9th Sept: Sunday** - A beautiful day, almost becalmed. The Reverend Mr Bradley performed the service and appointed me as his clerk. **10th** Sept: Monday - As calm as yesterday, the sea quite smooth and the sun very hot. We are only going at the rate of 4 miles an hour.

11th Sept: Tuesday - A lovely day in the Trades. The sun very hot. Ship making very little progress. 12th September. Wednesday - Still very fine weather and a stinking fair wind. 13th Sept: Thursday - Continues fair weather and fair wind in the tropics in Lat. 23degrees 11 minutes, 314 miles from the island of San St. Antonio one of the Cape-de-Verde. 14th Sept: Friday - Continues beautiful weather with a delightful breeze and getting on nicely towards the Equator. Very well and have not, up to this time, felt the least of seasickness and everything that's fair for a quick passage. Heading Cape Verde Islands.



**15th Sept: Saturday - Wind fair and beautiful weather. Saw the land of Saint Antonio nearly all day. Plenty of porpoises and flying fish.**

16th Sept: Sunday - A lovely day. Prayers again and your humble servant clerk saw three ships. Heading becalmed.

17th Sept: Monday - Still going before the wind and between 600 and 700 miles from the equator. This day we saw five ships homeward bound and exchanged civilities with them with flages. One was Dutch and one a French. Plenty of porpoises and flying fish and one shark.

**CANTERBURY BUILDING STONES.**—Within the last few days, the best specimen of building stone yet found in this province has been discovered in part of the property of the Rev. R. R. Bradley, at Charteris Bay. It is a beautiful white free stone, with a close grain, and free from all oxide of iron. Our local authorities speak well of it for purposes of ornamentation in our public buildings. We learn that Mr. Robert Speechly, the architect for the Cathedral, has recommended the Commission to use it for lining the building in preference to any other material for inside work. We believe the supply is very large, and the quarry at present presents a face bordering on the harbour of near half-a-mile in extent. *Lyttelton Times, Sept 27.*



Addington Stock Market circa 1865

# The Bradley Family

Rev Robert Reginald Bradley was from a distinguished family. Born in Kirby, Stephen, U.K. He graduated from Durham, married Georgiana and moved to Cape Coast (West Africa) as a chaplain to the Queens forces. During his time in Africa Georgian died and he subsequently returned to England.

1855 - Rev Bradley married his first cousin Frances, and moved to New Zealand and settled at the Papanui Parish. Life was tough, and between weddings and services he ran a small farm to support his family.

1858 - Realising that his interest in farming superseded his interest in the church he obtained Bishop Selwyn's permission to give up the incumbency.

1859 - Rev Reginald Robert Bradley along with Rev. Preston purchased the Charteris Bay property of Dr Moore. Rev Preston did not settle for long, selling his share to Rev Bradley in 1861, this was the beginning of 30 years of land acquisition. By 1866 the estate totaled 1600 acres. During this time he continued to develop the dairy herd and sold dairy products and later processed meat for the Lyttelton market. Like most other pioneers he diversified the farm production and also planted large orchards and vegetable gardens. With a family of nine children the home consumption must have used a good deal of the produce, but the fruit and vegetables proved to be a useful cash crop.

1870 - Flax mill established on the property at, what is now the top of the picnic grounds.

1891 - Frances passed away.

1892 - Rev Bradley passed away. Orton takes over the property. He is the eldest of 9 children and the only one not born deaf. One brother and one sister had died in childhood, with most of the family remaining on the property for the rest of their lives.

Orton was not very interested in farming, his brother Frank being more agriculturally inclined. Orton was more interested in science and is considered a pioneer in the field of ecology. He had a great appreciation for the vital role trees play in any ecosystem, and realised the need for diversification of habitat for a robust ecosystem.

Orton donated many trees that are planted all over the peninsula. To support his interests he leased much of the property in small blocks for dairy farming and market gardening. He did not marry and devoted his life to science and technology. This led to a range of interests - breeding racehorses, brewing, geology, ecology, horticulture and engineering. He was actively involved in the work of local bodies in the area.

He was responsible for extensive plantings of trees not only on his own property, but as far away as Lyttelton and Akaroa. He donated plants for reserves in areas all over Banks Peninsula.

1901 - Orton built the homestead and moved the cottage to its current location.

1930 - The road though to Purau was completed.

1940 - Orton became a member of the Banks Peninsula Electric Power board, aged 83!

1943 - Orton Bradley dies aged 86. The property was left in trust for eventual use as a National Park. Trustees re-establish property as a single farming entity, and concentrate on re-establishing stock numbers, fencing the property and eradicating noxious weeds.

1967 - Homestead built in 1901 burns down; also lost in the fire are many historical documents, photos and Bradley family heirlooms.

1972 - A private Act of Parliament, passed constituting the current board structure and vesting in it the land and chattels of Orton Bradley's estate. It could not be designated a National Park as it does not meet the criteria as outlined in the 1952 National Parks Act.

1973 - Old School house moved to current location from across the road. Rev Bradley had been instrumental in its original construction, as there had been no local school for children in the area.

1981 Orton Bradley Park opened to the public.

For a full history of the Park there is an excellent book "Orton Bradley Park: a History" researched and written by Karen Gregory-Hunt and edited by John Wilson. It was published in 1986 as a Lands and Survey Field Book, Old Series 319 1858-1860. Unfortunately the book is out of print but can be consulted at Macmillan Brown Library at Canterbury University.

From Orton Bradley Park website.



## PORT VICTORIA BAY RACES.

To take place at the  
**HEAD OF THE BAY,**  
LYTTELTON,  
ON MARCH 14TH, 1879.

### STEWARDS :

G. Edmonds      W. D. Gebbie  
J. Gebbie        D. Gebbie  
H. B. Manson    H. Hawkins  
J. Smith         R. R. Bradley, Esqs.  
JUDGE : John Ferguson, Esq.  
STARTER : F. Birdling, Esq.  
HANDICAPPER : S. Garforth, Esq.  
CLERK OF SCALES : A. Constable, Esq.  
CLERK OF COURSE : E. McCormick, Esq.  
TREASURER : W. D. Gebbie, Esq.  
SECRETARY : R. R. Bradley, Esq.

1. DISTRICT HURDLE RACE, 1½ mile. 6 flights hurdles ; no weight to be less than 10st. First horse, £10 ; second, to save stakes. Entrance, £1.
2. MAIDEN PLATE. 1 mile ; weight for age. First horse, £8 ; second, to save stakes. Entrance, £1.
3. DISTRICT HANDICAP. 1½ mile ; First horse, £12 ; second, to save stakes. Nomination, 15s ; acceptance, 15s.
4. PORT VICTORIA HANDICAP, open to all comers ; about 2 miles. First horse, £20 ; second, save stakes. Nominations, £1 ; acceptances. £1.
5. HANDICAP RACE, for district horses only ; 1¼ mile. First horse, saddle and bridle, given by J. Gebbie, Esq., and J. Ferguson, Esq. Entrance, £1.
6. CONSOLATION RACE, ½ mile, for all beaten horses. First horse, £5 ; second, to save stakes. Entrance, £1.

**F**OR SALE BY PRIVATE CONTRACT, about 50 head of STORE CATTLE (30 of them imported); also, 20 working bullocks of first-class quality.

The above can be seen on Mr. Bradley's property in Charteris bay, where all inquiries may be made.

Delivery can be given at Christchurch.  
Charteris bay, July 14, 1863.

3115

Page 3 Advertisements Column 3

Akaroa Mail and Banks Peninsula Advertiser,  
Volume X, Issue 927, 5 June 1885, Page 3

### Licensing Notices

LICENSING DISTRICT OF PORT  
LEVY.

#### LOCAL OPTION.

**I** HEREBY GIVE NOTICE that, at a Poll of the Ratepayers of the above-named District, taken at the Road Board Office, Head of the Bay, Lyttelton, on Tuesday, May 26th, 1885, to determine whether the number of Publicans' Licenses, &c., may or may not be increased in the said District, the result was as follows :—

#### PUBLICANS' LICENSES.

For increase	...	...	4
Against increase	...	...	0

Majority for ... 4

#### NEW ZEALAND WINE LICENSES.

For increase	...	...	4
Against increase	...	...	0

Majority for ... 4

#### ACCOMMODATION LICENSES.

For increase	...	...	4
Against increase	...	...	0

Majority for ... 4

#### BOTTLE LICENSES.

For increase	...	...	4
Against increase	...	...	0

Majority for ... 4

I therefore declare that the resolution for the increase of Publicans, New Zealand Wine, Accommodation, and Bottle Licenses was carried.

R. R. BRADLEY,

Chairman of Port Levy  
Licensing Committee.

[https://sites.google.com/site/marapito/1866\\_lyttelton\\_directory](https://sites.google.com/site/marapito/1866_lyttelton_directory)

A residential and commercial directory of the township of Lyttelton, New Zealand for the year 1865, compiled from the Canterbury Heritage Biographical Index.

Bradley, Reginald Robert , Farmer, Charteris Bay, Port Lyttelton, 100 acres. d.1892



grand specimens of the mountain palm the giant cabbage tree, which flourishes most luxuriantly. Winding down the path to the left past the garden we come to the stockyard, which is very massively fenced and paved with stones. The stables are most spacious and excellent as might be supposed from their being under the management of Mr Orton Bradley. Here our reporter saw Zeta and Fitznigel reposing after their victories in as comfortable stalls as any horse could desire. The dog kennels are made from nail tins, and are certainly of a most substantial and weather defying description. At one end of the range of stables and cow bails is the working room of Mr Orton Bradley, and here he turns out many a useful article having a talent for cabinet making. A chest of drawers and some other productions of his are fit to compete with the work of skilled cabinet makers. There are plantations here and there of gums and pinus insignis, and anxiety about firewood is now a thing of the past. By-the-by Mr Bradley tells us that in spite of what we have heard to the contrary the limbs of the pinus insignis make capital firewood. There have been many native relics found in Charteris Bay, and everything goes to prove that it, at a period long anterior to the settlement, was thickly peopled by the Maoris, but no legend of the past has descended to its present inhabitants. Fruit and vegetables are of course a speciality in this fertile nook. The principal orchard is situated on the sides of two wind-sheltered gullies that have been formed by a tiny creek that babbles down through the pastures to the right of the house. Here fruit trees flourish most luxuriantly. The apples are bending with fruit, and almost untouched with blight, and the apricot peaches look

in the distance like orange trees. There could not be a better place for fruit culture, and full advantage has been taken of its peculiar adaptation. There is another orchard up the hill belonging to Mr Bradley, where a family which have left the Bay, once resided. The vegetable garden is by the creek, which, by the by, is some distance from the house, which is supplied with water through pipes, by a system of hydraulics, thought out by Mr Orton Bradley. The garden is most luxuriant. We never saw better crops of tomatoes, parsnips, onions, celery, etc., and what surprised one most were a number of strawberries in full bearing. In April strawberries are a decided novelty, and we never tasted better flavoured fruit. Here is stationed a hawk to frighten away predatory birds. He has proved himself useful in this way, though a very unnatural brother, for he ate up, feathers and all, two companions that were taken with him out of the same nest. As usual where kind instincts prevail there are lots of pets at Charteris Bay, including woodhens, pigeons, magpies, and of course dogs and cats, to one of the latter of which a handsome monument has been erected in the orchard. Communication with Lyttelton is almost entirely by boat, and the Rev. Mr Bradley tells with just pride that he has never met with an accident on the water during his innumerable journies of the last thirty-one years, some of which, it is needless to say, were undertaken in terrible weather. Of course, to all those who know the Bradleys, it is needless to say that kindly hospitality hold sway where they reside, and that they are in kindly accord with their neighbors. The long years that are past have been very peaceful, and no catastrophe has cast a blight on those who have resided so long in this beautiful locality.

## DEATHS.

Star, Issue 7296, 16 October 1891, Page 2

BRADLEY.—Oct. 14, at Charteris Bay, Lyttelton, after a short illness, Frances, wife of the Rev R. R. Bradley, aged fifty-eight years.

Akaroa Mail and Banks Peninsula Advertiser,  
Volume XVIII, Issue 1352, 2 July 1889, Page 2

Akaroa Mail and Banks Peninsula Advertiser,  
Volume XXI, Issue 1623, 2 February 1892, Page 2

## OBITUARY

The Rev. R. R. Bradley, who is so well known on the Peninsula, where his friends are very many, died at his residence, Charteris Bay, on Friday night. The *Press* says: The Rev. R. R. Bradley, the notice of whose death appeared in our issue of Saturday, was an old Canterbury resident and a gentleman widely known and greatly respected in this province. The deceased gentleman was born at Kirkby Stephen, Westmoreland, in the year 1825. He graduated at the University College, Durham, and received his M.A. degree in 1848. During the years 1846-48 he won several prizes for Latin verse. During the latter year he was ordained deacon and priest by the Bishop of Durham. About the year 1850 he was appointed Chaplain to the Queen's forces at Cape Coast Castle. Here he had the misfortune to lose his first wife, and himself suffered severely with ill-health. Returning from the Cape Coast, he was for a short time curate at Crosby Garrett. He came to New Zealand in the year 1855 in the ship *Surge*, and took up his residence in Canterbury, being appointed to the parish of Papanui almost immediately. In 1858 he removed to Charteris Bay, where he resided until the time of his death. The deceased gentleman failed very much after his wife's death, which took place about three months ago. He leaves a family of seven sons and daughters.

## Original Correspondence

*We are at all times ready to give expression to every shade of opinion, but in no case do we hold ourselves responsible for the views advocated by our correspondents.*

### PHYSIOLOGY OF BREEDING.

*To the Editor.*

SIR,—As you thought my remarks on the Physiology of Breeding were worthy of being published, I will now proceed to follow them up. I left off by saying the female always imbibed certain strains of impression from the first cross. This the lecturer illustrated by proving that a certain mare called Beeswing was never beaten on a racecourse, and made her owner his fortune. She was at last turned out to breed, but at the time it was thought the right thing to breed from a coarse horse, so as to give the progeny more bone. In doing this they spoiled the speed of the offspring, and it was not until this mare had produced four or five foals by thoroughbreds that they ever did anything like their mother. At last she did produce a foal something like herself, but death set in and stopped further investigation. I could go on with the crosses between Muscovy ducks and the common drake, and vice versa — also between Spanish hens and Cochinchina roosters, also vice versa; but I shall tire your readers. All I have written are veritable facts.—Yours, &c.,

R. R. BRADLEY.

GATHERING SPRING BLOOMS AT CHARTERIS BAY.—Daffodils are making an attractive display in the grounds ... [truncated]

Press, Volume LXX, Issue 21279, 26 September 1934, Page 18



*GATHERING SPRING BLOOMS AT CHARTERIS BAY.—Daffodils are making an attractive display in the grounds of Mr R. Orton Bradley's residence at Charteris Bay. Visitors at the week-end included members of the Youth Hostel Association.*

## A PROLIFIC CROP.

Star , Issue 5555, 2 May 1896, Page 7

### A PROLIFIC CROP.

A few months ago a Lyttelton resident obtained some small potatoes from an American barque lying at the port. A few of them were given to Mr Orton Bradley, of Charteris Bay, who planted them, and the crop has just been dug. Some of the tubers turn the scales at two pounds, and Mr Bradley estimates the yield as certainly nothing less than an average of thirty-five tons to the acre. Some stalks which were on view in Lyttelton yesterday, measured the immense length of 10ft 6in. Experts who have seen the potatoes, pronounce them to be of the White Elephant variety.

<http://www.tribalpages.com/tribe/familytree?uid=enzedder&surname=BRADLEY>

BRADLEY, Ada Margaret, Born May 01 1871 in Charteris Bay, Canterbury, NZ, Died Apr 19 1949 in Christchurch, NZ

BRADLEY, Agnes, Born 1824, Died 1859

BRADLEY, Agnes Caroline, Born 1814 in IRELAND, Died Jan 31 1840 in Sunderland, Co Durham, ENG

BRADLEY, Alice, Born 1729, Died 1730

BRADLEY, Alicia Georgiana, Born Sep 21 1867 in Charteris Bay, Canterbury, NZ, Died Jun 15 1949 in Christchurch, NZ

BRADLEY, Anna, Born 1835, Died Nov 05 1908 in New Zealand

BRADLEY, Annie Josephine, Born Oct 18 1876, Died 1957

BRADLEY, Anthony, Born 1794, Died 1848 in Jackson Farm, Warde St Hume, Manchester

BRADLEY, Bernard Orton, Born , Died 1944

BRADLEY, Caroline, Born 1840, Died 1842 in Sunderland, Co Durham, ENG

BRADLEY, Cooper Dixon, Born 1842, Died 1867

BRADLEY, Eleonora Catherine, Born Jul 08 1828 in Eden Place, Kirkby Stephen, Westm., ENG, Died Jun 19 1892 in 6 Fairfield St, Liverpool, Lancs., ENG

BRADLEY, Emma, Born Oct 08 1864 in Charteris Bay, Canterbury, NZ, Died Oct 14 1872 in Charteris Bay, Canterbury, NZ

BRADLEY, Emma, b.1822, Born 1822, Died 1863

BRADLEY, Emma Caroline, Born 1853 in Sunderland, Co Durham, ENG, Died Apr 07 1886 in Head of Bay, Lyttelton, Canterbury, NZ

BRADLEY, Ethel Mary, Born May 01 1871 in Charteris Bay, Canterbury, NZ, Died Sep 02 1924 in Charteris Bay, Canterbury, NZ

BRADLEY, Frances, Born 1833, Died Oct 14 1891 in Charteris Bay, Canterbury, NZ

BRADLEY, Frances Elizabeth, Born 1818, Died Apr 21 1892 in 6 Fairfield St, Liverpool, Lancs., ENG

BRADLEY, Francis Orton, Born May 24 1908 in Lyttelton, Canterbury, NZ, Died 1911

BRADLEY, Gladys Margaret, Born 1887, Died 1968 in England

BRADLEY, Herbert, Born Jan 29 1856, Died Jun 03 1923

BRADLEY, Isabel, Born 1748, Died 1783

BRADLEY, Isabella, Born 1829, Died 1831 in High St, Sunderland, Co Durham, ENG

BRADLEY, Jane, Born 1753, Died 1754

BRADLEY, Jane, b.1717, Born 1717, Died 1751

BRADLEY, John, Born 1781, Died Jun 27 1808 in Kirkby Stephen, Westmorland, ENG

BRADLEY, Joseph Martin, Born Apr 21 1880, Died Apr 19 1906

BRADLEY, Kate Bowery, Born Apr 12 1859 in Charteris Bay, Canterbury, NZ, Died Apr 11 1934 in Christchurch, NZ

BRADLEY, Louis, Born Oct 31 1861 in Charteris Bay, Canterbury, NZ, Died Aug 19 1927 in Cobden, Greymouth, West Coast, NZ

BRADLEY, Margaret Marian, Born Aug 1813 in Enniskillen, Co Fermanagh, IRELAND, Died Apr 22 1900 in Carley Lodge, Blackheath, Kent, ENG

BRADLEY, Margaret Octavia, Born 1838, Died May 28 1900 in Onchan, Douglas, Isle of Man

BRADLEY, Marie, Born , Died 1980

BRADLEY, Mary, Born 1815, Died May 14 1834 in Eden Place, Kirkby Stephen, Westm., ENG

BRADLEY, Mary, b.1831, Born 1831, Died Feb 15 1900

BRADLEY, Orton, Born 1788, Died Mar 28 1857 in Eden Place, KS, Westmorland, ENG

BRADLEY, Orton, b.1859, Born 1859 in Greenwich, Kent, ENG, Died Sep 13 1939

BRADLEY, Orton Guthrie, Born 1845 in London, ENG, Died Apr 25 1916 in Linwood, Christchurch, NZ

BRADLEY, Peter Orton, Born Jun 11 1886, Died Aug 13 1909 in Linwood Cemetery, Christchurch, NZ

BRADLEY, Reginald Orton, Born Aug 09 1857 in Papanui, Christchurch, NZ, Died Jan 24 1943 in Christchurch, NZ

BRADLEY, Reginald Orton, b.1845, Born 1845, Died 1850 in Sunderland, Co Durham, ENG

BRADLEY, Reginald Robert, Born Nov 10 1825 in Eden Place, Kirkby Stephen, Westm., ENG, Died Jan 29 1892 in Charteris Bay, Canterbury, New Zealand

BRADLEY, Reginald Robert, b.1869, Born May 24 1869 in Charteris Bay, Canterbury, NZ, Died Oct 30 1872 in Charteris Bay, Canterbury, NZ

BRADLEY, Richard, Born 1791, Died Jun 15 1852 in Onchan, Douglas, Isle of Man

BRADLEY, Richard Frank, Born Oct 30 1875 in Charteris Bay, Canterbury, NZ, Died Jun 03 1914 in Charteris Bay, Canterbury, NZ

BRADLEY, Richard Holland, Born 1820, Died Oct 18 1897 in 91 Phil-beach Gdns., Earls Court, London

BRADLEY, Robert, b.1715, Born 1715, Died Mar 28 1789 in Kirkby Stephen, Westmorland, ENG

BRADLEY, Robert, b.1748, Born 1748, Died 1803

BRADLEY, Robert, d.1743, Born , Died 1743 in Kirkby Stephen, Westmorland, ENG

BRADLEY, Sarah, Born 1722, Died 1722

BRADLEY, Thomas, b.1720, Born 1720, Died 1805

BRADLEY, Thomas, b.1751, Born 1751, Died 1755

BRADLEY, William, Born 1790, Died 1790

BRADLEY, William, b.1755, Born 1755, Died 1755

BRADLEY, William, b.1757, Born 1757, Died 1841

BRADLEY, William, b.1793, Born 1793, Died 1855

BRADLEY, William Holland, Born 1846, Died Jun 1873

BRADLEY, William Orton, Born 1822, Died Aug 03 1860 in Sunderland, Co Durham, ENG

BRADLEY, William Orton, b.1872, Born Jul 03 1872, Died Oct 21 1946

Rev Reginald Robert BRADLEY  
b 1823  
D1892 age 66 years

-----

m his cousin Frances BRADLEY in 1851

1 Reginald Orton BRADLEY  
b 1857  
d 1943 age 85 years

5 Alicia Georgina BRADLEY  
b 1867  
d 1949 age 81 years

2 Kate Bowery BRADLEY  
b 1859  
m Robert ANDERSON 1892  
d 1934 age 74 years  
Two sons

6 Reginald Robert BRADLEY  
b 1869  
d 1872 age 3 years

3 Louis BRADLEY  
b 1861  
m Mary HUNTER 1921  
d 1927 age 65 years  
DEAF

7 Ethel Mary BRADLEY  
b 1871  
d 1924 age 53 years

4 Emma BRADLEY  
b 1864  
d 1943 age 79 years

8 Ada Margaret BRADLEY  
b 1871  
d 1947 age 77 years

9 Richard Frank BRADLEY  
b 1875  
d 1914 age 38 years  
DEAF

Seven Bradley siblings four of whom were Deaf.



Miss Preston (Merivale) and Miss Bradley (Charteris Bay) are spending a few weeks at Otira.

Mrs. W. Ryan, Miss Ethel Bradley, Miss Doris Ryan and Mr. W. Ryan, jun., are on a motor tour to Taupo.

Mr R. C. Jarden, hon. sec. Akaroa Amateur Sports Club wrote asking the Council to close the Recreation Ground for the annual sports on Easter Saturday, April 7th and the request was granted.

Messrs Wynn Williams, Brown and Gresson wrote re debentures on loan from late Mr Louis Bradley asking if the debentures could be realised as Mrs Bradley wished to arrange re some bequests.

Cr McCaughan moved that Messrs Wynn Williams, Brown and Gresson be informed that no transaction had been taken in connection with debentures of Workers Dwelling Loan of £850.

Seconded by Cr Williams and carried.

726

**L**OST, on Saturday, 9th of October, between Bealey avenue and Rangiora, Five Golf CLUBS. Finder please notify Ethel Bradley, Charteris Bay. Roward. 6282

The death occurred at Charteris Bay yesterday afternoon, after a short illness, of Miss Ethel Bradley, sister to Mr Orton Bradley.

## PERSONAL.

Star, Issue 8659, 27 June 1906, Page 3

Mr Orton Bradley, of Charteris Bay, with his sisters, Misses Ethel and Ada Bradley, and Miss Olive Rouse, will leave on a visit to England by the New Zealand Shipping Company's s.s. Tura-kina on July 5. Mr Frank Bradley will act as manager of the estate during Mr Orton Bradley's absence.



Hughes, photo.  
MR. AND MRS L. BRADLEY.

**WARNING TO BATHERS.**—On the 21st instant Mr Louis Bradley, of Charteris Bay, was out codfishing with some friends, and, to their surprise, they caught a shark 6ft. long on one of the ordinary cod-lines. The following evening he went out again, with his friends; this time prepared for sharks by having two strong lines, baited with a sheep's pluck each. The result was that, in less than an hour, four sharks, varying from 6ft. to 8ft. long, were caught.

**BOATING ACCIDENTS.**—On Sunday after-

BRADLEY, LOUIS, Farmer, "Ridgethorpe," Cheviot. Mr. Bradley is the second son of the late Rev. R. R. Bradley, sometime of Charteris Bay, Banks' Peninsula. He was born in 1861 and was educated privacy, having been deaf and dumb from his birth. Mr. Bradley was brought up to outdoor pursuits, and, in spite of his infirmity, is able to attend to his business. He remained at the old homestead at Charteris Bay till 1900, when he acquired 235 acres under a lease in perpetuity, at Cheviot. Mr. Bradley was married, in 1900, to the only daughter of Mr. T. Shailer, of Christchurch. Mrs Bradley had thirteen years' experience as a teacher in Canterbury, part of the time at Fiemington, and latterly at the Charleris Bay school.

1900/2056      Alice Mary Shailer      and      Louis Bradley      Marriage

Louis Bradley & Alice Mary SHAILER m. 3 July 1900 at St Luke's, Christchurch.

ages: 38 / 32:    occ: farmer:    born: Lyttelton / Christchurch:

parents: Reginald Robert & Frances Bradley, nee BRADLEY, farmer.

Thomas & Phoebe Whitehouse Shailer, nee THOMPSON.

witness: Robert Anderson, farmer, Charteris Bay: Louie A. Penberthy, Christchurch:

*A.*  
This is the typewritten document in which I have solemnly  
sworn that it is true and correct and that I have signed and  
subscribed the same before me this 25th day of August  
1927.

*L. H. Williams*

*A Solicitor of the Supreme Court of the State of New York*  
THIS IS THE LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of me LOUIS  
BRADLEY of Charteris Bay Teddington Retired  
Farmer I GIVE the sum of TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY  
POUNDS to each of my nephews ROY ANDREW ANDERSON  
and ALEXANDER ANDREW ANDERSON I GIVE to the Wardens  
for the time being of the Anglican Church at  
Teddington the sum of TWO HUNDRED POUNDS for the  
purpose of the maintenance of the said church I GIVE  
DEVISE AND BEQUEATH all the rest residue and  
remainder of the real estate and personal property  
of whatsoever description or kind and wheresoever  
situate of or to which I shall die possessed or  
entitled unto my dear wife MARY BRADLEY absolutely  
I HEREBY REVOKE all former Wills and testamentary  
dispositions heretofore made by me and declare this  
to be my last Will and Testament whereof I appoint  
my said dear wife Mary Bradley the sole Executrix  
and Trustee IN WITNESS whereof I have hereunto  
subscribed my name this *thirteenth* day of  
*September* One thousand nine hundred and  
twenty one.

SIGNED AND ACKNOWLEDGED by the Testator  
the said LOUIS BRADLEY as and for his  
last Will and Testament in the presence  
of us both being present at the same time  
who at his request in his sight and presence  
and in the sight and presence of each other  
have hereunto subscribed our names as  
attesting witnesses:

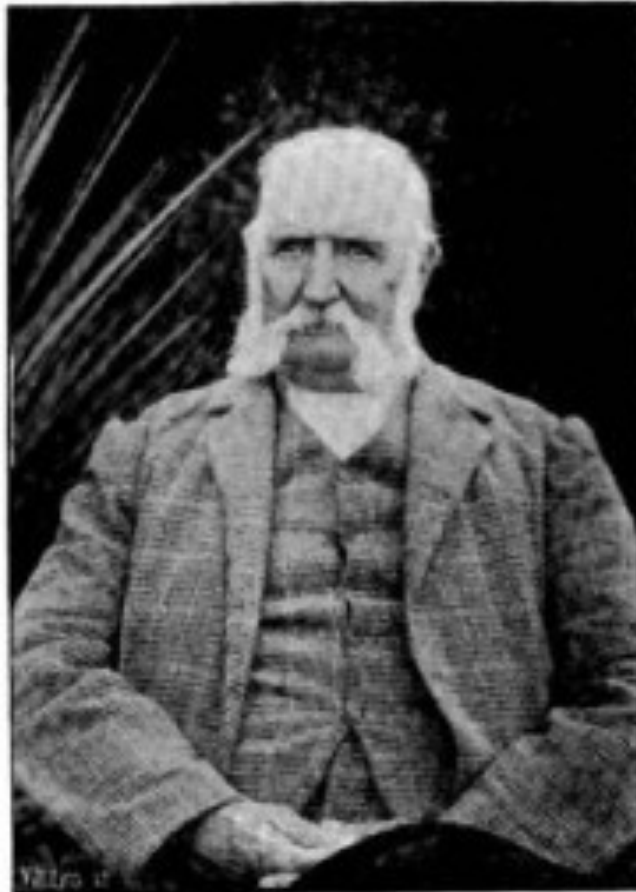
*Louis Bradley*

*Davall*  
*Sydney to Messrs Wynn Williams*  
*Brown & Gesson*  
*Solicitors*  
*Christchurch.*

*A. Thomson*  
*Solicitor*  
*Christchurch.*

Louis Bradley's Father in Law.

**MR. THOMAS SHAILER** is one of the old settlers who arrived in Lyttelton by the ship "Cresswell" on the 12th of September, 1851, and landed at Woolston. He was born in Alcester, Warwickshire, England, in 1826, and was brought up as a butcher. After settling in Christchurch Mr. Shailer entered business as a livery stable keeper, and followed that calling till 1863. For about thirteen years afterwards he was in business in Christchurch as a commission agent. In 1889 Mr. Shailer left Christchurch and resided for a number of years with his daughter—now Mrs Bradley, of "Ridgethorpe," Cheviot—who was in charge of the Charteris Bay public school. In his early days Mr. Shailer was a member of the Worcester Queen's Own Yeomanry. He was married, in 1853, to a daughter of the late Mr. J. Thompson, of Worcester. Mrs Shailer died in 1897, leaving two sons and one daughter.



Hughes, photo.

MR. T. SHAILER.

*Hughes, photo.*

*Mr. T. Shailer.*

Kate Bowery Bradley

MARRIAGE.

Star, Issue 7266, 26 April 1892, Page 3

**ANDERSON—BRADLEY.**—April 26, at Holy Trinity Church, Lyttelton, by the Rev C. Coates, Robert Anderson, to Kate Bradley, both of Charteris Bay.

**FUNERAL NOTICES.**

**T**HE Funeral of the late Kate Bowery Anderson will leave the residence of her brother, Mr Orton Bradley, Charteris Bay, This Day (Thursday), April 12th, at 2 p.m. for the Teddington Churchyard. LAMB and HAYWARD, LTD. 5636

**Funeral at Teddington**

The funeral of Mrs Kate Bowery Anderson took place at Teddington yesterday afternoon, the cortege proceeding from the residence of her brother, Mr R. Orton Bradley, at Charteris Bay to St. Peter's Church at Teddington. The service in the church and at the graveside was conducted by the Rev. C. W. Maclaverty and the Rev. J. A. Pritchard. The chief mourners were Messrs Robert Roy Anderson and Andrew Alexander Anderson, sons, and Mr R. Orton Bradley, brother. The pall-bearers were Messrs J. Stokes, W. Hay, and W. and R. Anderson. Many beautiful wreaths were sent.

Those who attended included Messrs J. Stokes, Robert Anderson, Albert Anderson, John Hunter, W. Hay, W. Gray, Eric Gray, W. Anderson, H. H. H. Gardiner, H. Gardiner, H. Hay, E. Coop, W. A. Gardiner, Walter Anderson, G. Franovitch, A. Manson, G. Blatchford, J. Blatchford, O. Hunter, Walter Parkinson, J. Anderson, D. Oldfield, L. Graham, J. Bandy, J. Gellie, D. Bamford, G. F. Whiteside, H. E. Ayers (Lyttelton Golf Club), H. G. Bamfield, L. Matson, R. Rigby, R. Gebbie, W. N. Dean, K. Manson, W. Firmstone, W. Dean, A. Gebbie, R. Graham, O. Gebbie, W. Clayton, T. Gebbie, F. Eden, W. A. Carpenter, S. Simpson, R. Manson, J. Burson, A. Anderson, W. Wray, and R. Allan.

OBITUARY.

Akaroa Mail and Banks Peninsula Advertiser, Volume LVI, Issue 5885, 24 April 1934, Page 2

**MRS. ANDERSON.**

There passed away recently at the residence of her brother, Mr Orton Bradley, Charteris Bay, Teddington, Mrs Anderson eldest daughter of Rev. R. R. Bradley. She lived all her life in the District and was held in high esteem. She leaves two sons Messrs H. and Roy Anderson of Charteris Bay.

Press, Volume LXX, Issue 21137, 12 April 1934, Page 2

**OBITUARY**

**MRS K. B. ANDERSON**

The death occurred at a private hospital in Christchurch early yesterday morning of Mrs Kate Bowery Anderson, daughter of the Rev. R. R. Bradley, formerly of Charteris Bay, who arrived in Canterbury in 1855.

Mrs Anderson, who was 75 years of age, was a sister of Mr R. Orton Bradley and the Misses A. M. and A. G. Bradley, of Charteris Bay. As a young woman she was noted on the Peninsula as a splendid horse-woman. She married Mr Robert Anderson, of Charteris Bay, in 1893. Her husband died in 1907. Mrs Anderson is survived by two sons. Messrs Robert (Roy) and Andrew Alexander Anderson, of Charteris Bay.

## OBITUARY

### MR ROBERT ANDERSON

Very keen and widespread regret was expressed in Lyttelton on Saturday, and will be felt by all who knew him, at the death of Mr Robert Anderson, of Charteris Bay, who passed away during the morning.

Mr Anderson was born in the Shetland Islands in 1856, and came out to New Zealand with his father, Mr William Anderson, in 1863. The family settled in Charteris Bay, Lyttelton, where they have been engaged in farming ever since. The late Mr Anderson always took a lively interest in matters affecting the welfare of the residents of the Mount Herbert district. He was for sixteen years a member, and for several years chairman, of the Port Victoria Road Board, and for twenty years chairman of the Charteris Bay School Committee. He took an active and prominent part in the formation of the Mount Herbert County Council, and for two years was chairman of that body. For the past two years, Mr Anderson had represented the Akaroa and Mount Herbert counties on the Lyttelton Harbour Board, and had always manifested a keen interest in the affairs of the Board.

Mr Anderson married a daughter of the late Rev. R. R. Bradley, and leaves two sons and a daughter. He was of a quiet, unassuming, and kindly nature, and was held in the greatest respect and esteem by the people of Bank's Peninsula, the Lyttelton Bays district, and by a wide circle of friends in Lyttelton and Christchurch. For some time past, Mr Anderson had not been in good health, and last Thursday week he was taken ill with pneumonia, and died early on Saturday morning. When the news of his death was received flags were flown half-mast high on the Lyttelton Harbour Board offices and other buildings in Port, as a mark of respect.

## THE TENTH BALLOT.

Press, Volume LIII, Issue 15997,  
4 September 1917, Page 8

## THE TENTH BALLOT.

### CANTERBURY AND WEST COAST

#### NAMES.

### CHRISTCHURCH

- ABLETT, Harold Gordon, plumber, 261 Wilson's road, Sydenham.
- Acton, Francis, gardener, 35 Wakefield avenue, Sumner.
- Adam, Alexander Kerr, gardener, 76 Slater street, Richmond, Christchurch.
- Atkinson, William Francis, ships fireman, s.s. Mapourika, Wellington.
- Aitken, Walter, shop assistant, 868 Colombo street, Christchurch.
- Aldridge, Henry Edward, labourer, care of Post Office, Le Bon's Bay.
- Alexandre, Francis George Horace, farmer, 80 Marshland road, Shirley.
- \*Allon, Eugene, carponter, 84 Westminster street, Christchurch.
- Allen, Garle Freeman, labourer, 83 Dover street, St. Albans.
- Allen, Herbert Thomas, carpenter, 88 Bordesley street, Linwood.
- Allen, William, gardener, 204 Hereford street, Christchurch.
- \*Allen, William Harold, presser, 215 Wilson's road, Christchurch.
- Amyes, Clarence, farmer, Studleigh, Prebbleton.
- Anderson, Downie Stewart, farmer, Prebbleton.
- \*Anderson, Malcolm McFarlane, motor engineer, 336 St Asaph street, Christchurch.
- \*Anderson, Norman Smith, accountant, 252 Worcester street, Christchurch.
- Anderson, Robert, farmer, Teddington, Lyttelton
- Anderson, Robert Alexander, farmer, Charteris Bay.
- Andrew, Joseph Thomas, labourer, 57 Buchanan's road, Sockburn.

LYTTELTON GOLF CLUB ANNIVERSARY.—Foundation members and the twenty-first birthday cake at Charteris ... [truncated]

Press, Volume LXIX, Issue 20995, 25 October 1933, Page 16



*LYTTELTON GOLF CLUB ANNIVERSARY.—Foundation members and the twenty-first birthday cake at Charteris Bay on Monday. From left: Mr C. E. Brown, Mr R. Orton Bradley (president), Miss A. Bradley (women's president), Mrs C. E. Brown, and Mrs M. Henderson.*

## QUAIL ISLAND PATIENT.

PHILLIPS STILL AT LARGE.

TAXI DRIVE TO CHRISTCHURCH.

[BY TELEGRAPH.—OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

CHRISTCHURCH, Saturday.

The police are still making inquiries as to the whereabouts of George Phillips, the leper patient who escaped from Quail Island on Wednesday. He was supposed to be in Christchurch yesterday and detectives visited a house in the city where he was supposed to be in hiding. It was learned, however, that he had left there early in the morning, and it is supposed that he is now in Dunedin.

Reports from Charteris Bay are to the effect that Phillips arrived at the residence of Mr. Orton Bradley at about 11 p.m. on Wednesday. He was dressed as a clergyman, and represented himself as the Rev. Mr. Swann, of Invercargill. He added that he had been touring Banks Peninsula on a motor-cycle and had had to abandon the machine just on the Charteris Bay side of Diamond Harbour owing to a breakdown. He asked for the loan of the telephone to engage a taxi from Christchurch, as he required to catch the South express the following morning. He was informed that there was a taxi available at Charteris Bay. A price was arranged for the trip and Phillips asked to be taken to the Trocadero Hotel. Mr. Bradley became suspicious that the Rev. Mr. Swann was in reality not a minister and informed the taxi driver of his suspicions. Along the road past Mr. Bradley's property, on the Governor's Bay side, Phillips asked the driver to pull up to pick up a portmanteau. The driver became more suspicious than ever, but he drove the man to the hotel in Christchurch.

## LOST AND FOUND.

LOST, between Culverden and Hanmer Springs, one small ATTAOHE CASE, containing lady's coat. Finder please advise Hanmer Stores, Hanmer. 8244

LOST, at Charteris Bay about a fortnight ago, an Australian TERRIER. Reward on returning to Orton Bradley, Charteris Bay. Phone Charteris Bay Bureau. 8289

The Akaroa County Council Constituted Fifty Years Ago ■

Akaroa Mail and Banks Peninsula Advertiser,  
Volume LI, Issue 5218, 21 September 1926, Page 7

At a meeting of the Council on 1st August, 1878 the distances between present members residences and meeting place was determined as follows:—Mr Bradley 33 miles, Mr Gebbie 26 miles, Mr Priest 15 miles, Mr Dalglish 13 miles, Mr Barker 10 miles, Mr Hay 6 miles, Mr Baker 6 miles, Mr Fleming 4 miles. The meeting place was the Hill Top and traveling allowance was made of 1s 6d per mile for the first 10 miles and 1s. over. The members apparently all travelled by horse in those days.

**TEN SHILLINGS REWARD.**—Lost, from Middleton, on August 23rd, Bay Clipped Gelding, docked tail. Orton Bradley, Charteris Bay, Lyttelton.

## AUCTIONS

H. MATSON AND CO.

ADDINGTON SALE.

TO-MORROW (WEDNESDAY).

On account of MR R. G. BISHOP,  
Southbridge:

15 Head of Mixed Sex Yearling Cattle,  
good colours, in forward condition.

31 Halfbred Ewes

41 Southdown Lambs at foot.

On account of MR F. EDWARDS, Kaiapoi:

18 Prime Fat Bullocks.

On account of Exors. Estate R. O. BRADLEY, Charteris Bay:

55 Fat and Forward Three-year-old Black  
Poll Bullocks.

On account of MR W. ABBOTT, South-  
bridge:

1 Truck Four-tooth Wethers and four-  
tooth Ewes.

On account of MR D. TOD, Irwell:

1 Pen Fat Lambs, first and special at  
Christchurch Show.

On account of MR SETON HENDERSON,  
Te One, Chathams:

350 Fat and Forward Romney Wethers

130 Prime Fat Ewes.

On account of CHATHAM ISLAND  
CLIENTS:

1 Truck Prime Fat Romney Wethers.

Entries Solicited.

H. MATSON and CO.,

Auctioneers.

5808

Birth of Emma in 1864 **BRADLEY.**—Oct. 8, at Charteris Bay, the wife of the Rev. R. R. Bradley, M.A., of a daughter.

Press, Volume LIV, Issue 16157,  
11 March 1918, Page 9

Akaroa Mail and Banks Peninsula Advertiser,  
Volume VIII, Issue 825, 10 June 1884, Page 3

## LYTTELTON NEWS

### GOLF CLUB.

The opening of the Lyttelton Golf Club's season took place at Charteris Bay on Saturday afternoon, there being a large attendance of club members and visitors, who were conveyed to the bay on the steamer Puaru. After Mr Orton Bradley had declared the season open, several competitions took place, resulting as follows:—Driving: Miss E. Orton Bradley (winner). Putting: Mrs Parsons (winner). The winners in the men's competitions were as follows:—Driving: J. Stokes. Approaching: C. Mazer. Putting: Orton Bradley. The afternoon's sports terminated with a 4-ball game around the course among members and visitors. The weather was mild, and all present thoroughly enjoyed the recreation and trip across the harbour.

Press, Volume L, Issue 14985,  
4 June 1914, Page 11

## CASUALTIES

### SUDDEN DEATH OF A GOLFER

Mr Frank Bradley, a well-known and popular golfer, died suddenly on the links at Charteris Bay yesterday. In the morning he had participated in the match between Lyttelton and Kaiapoi, representing the former club. Rain caused a cessation of play, and the party adjourned to the whare beside the links for the purpose of drying their clothes. Mr Bradley was approaching the door with the intention of leaving the room when he reeled and fell, expiring almost immediately. Dr. Upham was summoned from Lyttelton, but on arrival he could only pronounce life to be extinct. The late Mr Bradley, who was a deaf mute, was about 38 years of age, and unmarried. Deceased was a brother of Mr Orton Bradley, of Charteris Bay.

### To the Editor.

R R BRADLEY

SIR,—In your account of what passed at the County Council last Saturday, my name and my financial fixtures are so pointedly referred to by Mr G. R. Joblin, that I cannot help asking you to publish, for his gratification and the public's at large, that I not only have no such balance as he describes, but that I am actually overdrawn. Anyhow, for the sake of those to whom I offer cheques, I am not mortgaged, neither have I drawn a shilling on my next clip.—Yours, &c.,

### The Akaroa Mail.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 20, 1893.

THE PAST YEAR.

The death roll, especially in any old settlement, is not likely to be a light one, but is especially heavy during the past year. Early in the year we have to record the death of Earl Bantry at Rome, a young nobleman of much promise, who made his residence here for some time, and who won many friends. By his death the title becomes extinct. A little later there was gathered to his fathers the Rev. R. R. Bradley, scientific farmer, learned Grecian, and the most jovial of boon companions and priests. A little later John Glynan, an old settler full of years and work, and worthily wearing the New Zealand cross.

Richard Frank BRADLEY

Known as Frank b 1875 the last of the Bradley children. Died suddenly of a cerebral hemorrhage. Funeral was 5th JUNE 1914 at 2.30 pm leaving for Teddington Cemetery. Death Duties 1409 pounds.



Orton Bradley above second from the right



Orton Bradley Left  
Bred horses.

## LICENSING ELECTION

No less than ten candidates have been nominated for the five seats on the Ellesmere Licensing Committee. They are Messrs G. Armstrong, junr., and E. F. Lelievre, of Akaroa, Mr J. Barnett, of Leeston, Mr R. Latter, of Barry's Bay, Messrs E. J. Cowan and C. R. Thornton, of Southbridge, Mr S. B. Harris, of Little River, Mr R. O. Bradley, Charteris Bay, Mr T. Quayle, of Greenpark, and Mr James Reid, of Wainui. Seven of the ten are farmers, and Messrs Latter and Harris, though called auctioneer and storekeeper, do a good deal of farming besides, so that all the candidates represent the landed interest except Mr Thornton, the journalist. They are all men fit for the position, and we believe none are extremists, so that the electors cannot fail to get a good committee to represent them.

We have received an indignant letter from a resident at Teddington, who signs himself "A Friend of Mr Orton Bradley's." This gentleman argues that that part of the district is disfranchised, and that their representative, Mr Orton Bradley, is deprived of the smallest chance of securing a seat on the Committee. The polling places at Port Levy, Teddington and Greenpark, he says, have all been done away with, there not being a booth in or near the whole of Mt. Herbert County and its vicinity. He considers it ridiculous to expect Port Levy and Port Victoria ratepayers to go to distant Rabbit Island to vote, and hopes that in future elections no such mistake will occur. Wainui and Le Bon's residents are also expressing themselves very strongly on the subject.

As a matter of course we sympathise very strongly with all those deprived of a chance of recording their opinions; but we do not agree with our correspondent that Mr Orton Bradley is deprived of all chance of election. No doubt both he and Mr Reid may get fewer votes, but both gentlemen are so well known they are sure of outside support. Mr Orton Bradley is so thoroughly esteemed all over the electorate as a perfectly upright, unprejudiced and fair man, and one of the best members that ever sat on our Licensing Committee, that we are sure, in spite of his very severe handicap, he will receive many votes.

We call on the electors to remember that the polling takes place on Friday next, and hope sincerely that every one who possibly can will exercise their privilege and vote as they think best, for the welfare of the district. As we before said, there seems to us to be no bone of contention. There is certainly no desire at all, on the part of any one, to keep any house open after 10 p.m., and all are agreed that there should be proper supervision of all licensed houses.

## GOVERNOR'S BAY.

On Thursday afternoon the parishioners of St. Cuthbert's Church, Governor's Bay, held a social gathering in the Allandale Hall, to welcome their new vicar, Rev. W. Styche, and Mrs Styche. There was a large attendance present. Mr W. Cowlin (vicar's warden) and Mr W. A. Carpenter (vestryman) welcomed the vicar and Mrs Styche on behalf of the parishioners. The vicar, in response, thanked the parishioners for their kind welcome, and trusted that his stay in their midst would be both pleasant and profitable to his work.

The Horticultural Society availed themselves of the opportunity to make a floral display, as they were unable to hold their rose show owing to the epidemic. All the tables were well filled with a varied collection of cut flowers, which made the hall very gay. Miss Bradley, Charteris Bay, staged an excellent collection of hardy perennials and other flowers. Mr Orton Bradley made a fine exhibit of Japanese maples, which was much admired. Mr H. H. Chomondeley also staged a very large collection of hardy flowers. Mr W. A. Carpenter had a choice collection of sweet peas, and many others brought exhibits of cut flowers. Mrs W. Harris and Mr F. Tapley showed several dishes of beautiful cherries, and the gooseberries and other fruits shown by Messrs M. J. Gilpin and C. E. Radcliffe were very fine. A large collection of early vegetables was shown by Small Bros.

## DOMINION GROWN.

Another interesting exhibit in the Canterbury reception room is composed of 100 samples of New Zealand and foreign timbers grown by Mr Orton Bradley, Charteris Bay, Lyttelton Harbour. Mr. Bradley is a keen horticulturist and has planted trees to prove that many overseas timbers can be grown in New Zealand. There are samples of trees native to Britain, the Continent, America, Australia, Asia, and Japan. There is also interest for Bible students in the collection, for it includes angophera wood of which Noah's Ark was built, and a sample from a Judas tree.

## Garden Party.

The annual garden party in connexion with St. Cuthbert's Church, Governor's Bay, was held at the residence of Mr Orton Bradley, Charteris Bay, on Saturday afternoon. There was a very large attendance, many people coming by car and motor launch from all parts of the harbour, and from the city. To any who had not visited Mr Bradley's beautiful grounds before, the nature of the gardens, in which many semi-tropical trees and shrubs flourish, came as a revelation. The terrace upon terrace of flowers and shrubs were at their best, while at the back of the residence the plantation of some scores of varieties of trees, prominent among which was a magnificent rata, with its blaze of crimson bloom, formed a fitting background. The ferneries, too, came in for a large measure of appreciation. All the stalls reported brisk business, and the proceedings were enlivened by music by the Lyttelton Marine Band.

The stallholders were as follows:—Produce: Mr T. Gellety; afternoon tea: Mesdames A. Short, E. Radcliffe, W. Manson, J. Griffith, A. E. Radcliffe, Misses E. Allen, T. Shaw, A. Columbus, P. Allen, N. Gebbie, and W. Harris; bran tub: Misses M. and R. Geddes; sweet stall: Mesdames J. Hunter and G. van Asch; soft drinks: Mesdames Gideon Henderson and A. Williams; coconut shy: Mr J. Griffen; secretary, Mr W. A. Carpenter.

Gift to School Ground.—Mr Orton Bradley, received a letter also from Master Ken Chapman, Puaha school, thanking him for the variety of shrubs forwarded to be planted in the school grounds and also for the generous manner in which Mr Bradley had forwarded the parcel of plants. Mr Bradley's action in encouraging the young people's interest in flowers and shrubs is much to be commended as it is in the early years that people learn to appreciate the beauty of trees and flowers.

CHARTERIS BAY PLANTATION.—Trees of almost every variety are to be seen growing at the beautiful home... [truncated]

Press, Volume LXX, Issue 21180, 2 June 1934, Page 26



*CHARTERIS BAY PLANTATION.—Trees of almost every variety are to be seen growing at the beautiful home-  
stead of Mr R. Orton Bradley (right) at Charteris Bay.*

MONDAY, JULY 4.

[Before J. G. Fyfe, Esq., J.P.]

**USING OBSCENE LANGUAGE**—Charles Jackson, a seaman of the *Clematis*, was charged with being drunk and using obscene language in London street on Sunday last. He was fined 10s, in default, forty-eight hours.

**LARCENY**—Albert Searle, John Ross, and Leonard Sellar, three lads, were charged with the larceny of a boat, valued at £20, the property of the Rev. R. R. Bradley, Charteris Bay. They were remanded until Wednesday next.

### Golf.

The annual meeting of the Lyttelton Golf Club was held on Thursday night, the captain, Mr H. E. Ayers, presiding over a good attendance. The annual report showed that the membership had been maintained and the club was in a good position financially. The matter of carrying out improvements to the golf house would have to be considered at an early date. The rules of the club have been revised during the year.

The thanks of the club were due to the Green Committee for the excellent manner in which the greens had been maintained; to Mr Orton Bradley, Charteris Bay, for privileges granted, and to the club captain, Mr H. E. Ayers. The championship events had been won as follows:—Ladies: Senior, Miss E. White-Parsons; junior, Miss E. Ayers. Men: Senior, Mr I. G. Davidson; junior, Mr R. B. Wilson.

**WANTED, a DAIRY-WOMAN, who understands cheese-making. Apply to Mrs. BRADLEY, Charteris Bay, Lyttelton.**  
7566

### LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Akaroa Mail and Banks Peninsula Advertiser,  
Volume LVI, Issue 5827, 3 October 1933, Page 2

On Sunday the famous Arctic explorer Mr Ellsworth, who was walking up Mt. Herbert, called at Mr Orton Bradley's home at Charteris Bay to see his well known garden.

LYTTELTON—Aug. 23.

[Before W. Donald, Esq., R.M., and J. S. Willcox, Esq., J.P.]

**CATTLE TRESPASS**—William Oliver was charged with allowing two horses to wander at large in the town; fined 5s and costs.

**PROVOKING A BREACH OF THE PEACE**—G. F. Scott was charged with this offence, and fined 10s and costs.

**SLAUGHTER-HOUSE LICENSES.**—Licenses were granted to R. R. Bradley, Charteris Bay and David Gebbie, Head of the Bay, on section No. 2375.

## LITTLE RIVER LICENSING DISTRICT.

### NOTICE OF POLL.

**A**T a Nomination held at the Public Library, Little River, on Tuesday, the 20th day of February current, the following persons were duly nominated as Candidates for the above Licensing District, in terms of "The Regulation of Local Elections Act, 1876," viz.:—

ROBERT REGINALD BRADLEY  
WILLIAM COOP  
JOHN GEBBIE  
GEORGE RUSSELL JOBLIN  
GEORGE WILLIAM JOBLIN

AND

ARTHUR PYNE O'CALLAGHAN.

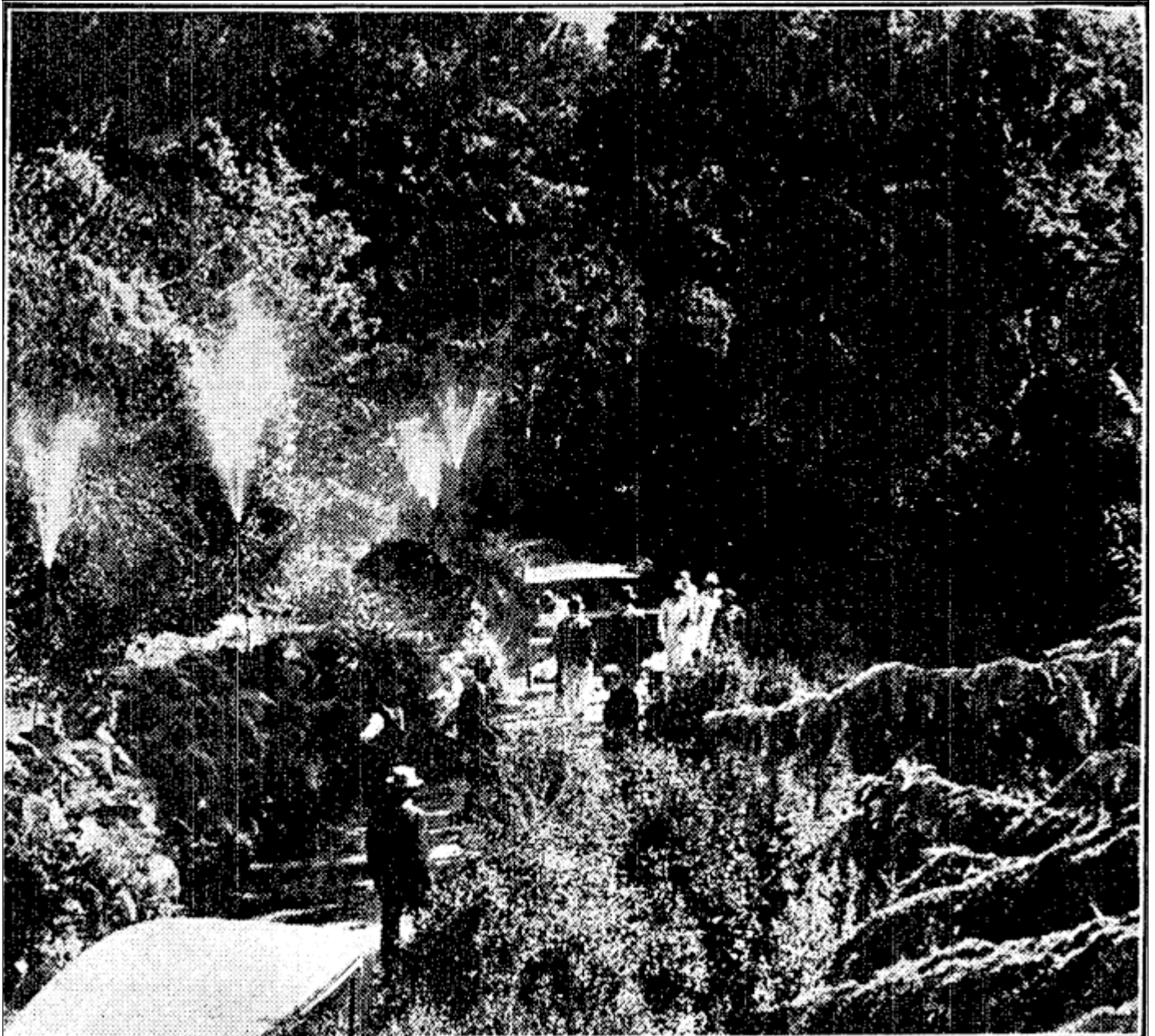
The above number of Candidates being in excess of the number prescribed by "The Licensing Act, 1881," I hereby give notice that a POLL for the Election of FIVE of the above named Candidates will be taken on FRIDAY, the 2nd day of March, 1883, at the Public Library, Little River, and at the Public Library, Tai Tapu, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 6 p.m.

A. INNES MCGREGOR,  
Returning Officer.

Public Library, Little River,  
February 20th, 1883.

A FEATURE OF CHARTERIS BAY.—The beautiful garden of Mr R. Orton Bradley, who grows many varieties of... [truncated]

Press, Volume LXIX, Issue 20752, 12 January 1933, Page 9



*A FEATURE OF CHARTERIS BAY.—The beautiful garden of Mr R. Orton Bradley, who grows many varieties of trees and shrubs. It is situated on the marine drive, which soon will be more popular with motorists, and is one of the attractions of the bay.*

## PENINSULA TRAMPING CLUB

Press, Volume LXXVI, Issue 23019,  
14 May 1940, Page 14

### PENINSULA TRAMPING CLUB

#### ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Over the annual meeting of the Peninsula Tramping Club, held in the Wattle tea rooms, Cathedral square, the president, Mr S. C. Andrews, presided.

The committee reported a most successful year, both numerically and financially. Fourteen tramps were arranged during the season, and the club also took part in the seven mystery tramps organised by the Railway Department. Approximately 180 miles were covered in these outings.

Officers were elected as follows:—  
Patron, Sir R. Heaton Rhodes; president, Mr S. C. Anderson; vice-presidents, Mr R. Orton Bradley, Mr James Deans, Professor Speight, Mr W. Day; secretary, Miss K. M. Ireland; treasurer, Mr R. D. Carew; committee, Miss C. Buchanan, Messrs S. Vivian, A. T. Evans, G. Winter; club leader, Mr F. Rusbridge.

#### PIGEON SHOOTING.

Star, Issue 5388, 14 August 1885, Page 4

There was a good attendance yesterday to witness the pigeon shooting, which was held in Mr Tod's paddock, at Lincoln, and the weather was all that could be desired. Sport commenced with a handicap sweepstake, which was shot for by five competitors, and won by Mr Muir. An adjournment was then made to the Lincoln Hotel, where a substantial lunch, served up in Mr Bartram's best style, was done full justice to. A match for 20 sovs was then shot between Mr Orton Bradley and Mr T. Sheenan, 20 birds each at 28 yards' rise, which was won by the former by 24 points to 18. Two sweepstakes were afterwards decided, and won by Messrs J. B. Hill and T. Sheenan, both of whom shot in good form.

## ELECTRIC LIGHTING.

Star, Issue 7071, 12 April 1901, Page 3

### ELECTRIC LIGHTING.

#### AN INSTALLATION AT CHARTERIS BAY.

Yesterday evening a party of gentlemen paid a visit to Charteris Bay, on the invitation of Mr Orton Bradley, in order to inspect the electric light installation in his new house. The party went to the Bay in the steam launch Lyttelton. The night was dark, and this enhanced the appearance of the house which, with its many brilliantly lighted windows, made a highly effective spectacle. The dynamo, which is placed in a detached building, was found by the visitors in full work, and registering 65 volts. It is driven by means of an overshot water-wheel on an adjacent creek. This wheel does much useful work, for, in addition to the dynamo, it drives a circular saw, a planing machine and a chaffcutter under one roof, and operates the bellows of a blacksmith's forge in another building. Mr Bradley's residence is of two storeys, and contains fourteen rooms, fitted with all "up to date" conveniences. The electric light fittings are in every room. In the principal apartments, besides the wall brackets, there are pillar lights, which can be moved to table, mantelpiece or any other position required. The visitors who were highly pleased with the evidences of ingenuity and enterprise around them, were hospitably entertained by Mr Bradley. The Mayor of Lyttelton, Mr T. C. Field, who was one of the party, complimented the host, and all present wished him prosperity and long life to enjoy the results of his enterprise. Some informal toasts were drunk, and the visitors returned to Lyttelton, highly pleased with their trip.

## RIFLE SHOOTING.

Press, Volume L, Issue 8609,

10 October 1893, Page 6

### RIFLE SHOOTING.

#### PORT VICTORIA RIFLE CLUB.

This Club opened its season on Saturday last on the Teddington range in beautiful shooting weather. Sides were picked by the Captain (Mr Q. C. Manson) and the Deputy-Captain (Mr Orton Bradley), that of the latter winning by 59 points. There was a large muster of the residents of the Head of the Bay, and tea and light refreshments were dispensed by lady friends of the Club. Twenty-six men took part in the shooting, the conditions of which were:—Seven shots at 200, 300 and 500 yards; N.Z.R.A. rules re sighters and targets; Martini-Henry rifles. The Bisley system of marking (slightly altered) was used and given a thorough trial, proving a distinct success. Following are the principal scores:—Deputy Captain's team—Messrs C. G. Foster 200 yards 30, 300 yards 27, 500 yards 30, total 87; G. Radford 30, 26, 22—78; J. Gebbie 24, 20, 23—72; G. Robinson, 28, 21, 22—71; H. Smith 26, 17, 26—69; T. Harris 27, 19, 19—65; O. Bradley 19, 24, 21—64; W. Elvidge 29, 18, 15—62. Captain's team—Messrs Q. C. Manson 200 yards 31, 300 yards 26, 500 yards 27, total 84; H. B. Manson 26, 21, 31—78; S. Blatchford 23, 23, 31—77; H. Manson 31, 21, 18—70; T. Price 21, 20, 27—68; D. Manson 28, 12, 21, 61; G. Manson 19, 15, 20—54; H. Radford 17, 21, 13—51.

## LYTTELTON NEWS.

Press, Volume LXIII, Issue 19181,

12 December 1927, Page 16

### Billiards and Card Match.

A team representing the Lyttelton Volunteer Fire Brigade visited Charteris Bay on Saturday night to play a billiards and card match against a Charteris Bay team. The match was held at the residence of Mr Orton Bradley, and, after a very pleasant evening, resulted in a draw.

## ASSESSMENT COURTS

Press, Volume LIII, Issue 15963, 26 July 1917, Page 3

### ASSESSMENT COURTS

#### WAIREWA COUNTY

A sitting of the Assessment Court to hear and determine objections to the revised valuation roll for the county of Wairewa was held in the Little River Courthouse yesterday. Mr Wyvern Wilson, S.M., presided, and Messrs Josiah Jones, of Little River, and Orton Bradley, of Charteris Bay, acted as assessors.

In the cases of the Ellesmere Drainage Board, H. J. Ebb, J. R. White, A. McDonald, T. Giddens, E. L. Haskins, and J. R. Newton, owing to the non-attendance of the objectors to support their objections, the valuations were sustained.

Thomas Thompson objected to the valuation of 68 acres and improvements at Little River valued at £3100. After hearing evidence the valuation was reduced by £100.

Ebenezer Hay appeared and objected to the valuation of 53 acres and improvements at Little River. The valuation was reduced by £340.

Robert Latter objected to the valuation of 55 acres and improvements at Hilltop, valued at £1935. After considerable evidence had been taken the valuation was sustained.

Ga  
Sta

[PER PRESS ASSOCIATION.]

WELLINGTON, APRIL 12.

The following have been appointed Clerks of Licensing Committees:—Maurice Roche, Ashley; Michael Lynskey, Kaiapoi; William George Walker, Avon; William George Walker, City of Christchurch; William Shanaghan, Lyttelton; William George Walker, Riccarton; Henry Walter Dawson, Ellesmere; Robert Colthart, Selwyn; James Roland Colyer, Ashburton; William Willoughby, Rangitāia; Thomas Bourke, Pareora; Thomas Howley, Timaru. John Brice, Major Cunningham, Thomas Feather, Reginald Foster, William Hatterley, Gibert Hutchinson, William Thomas Robinson, John George Elliott Winsloe, Orton Bradley and John Campbell have been appointed rangers under the Animals Protection Act, 1880 and Acts amending the same, in the North Canterbury district.

Regulations under the Infants' Life Protection Act, 1893, are gazetted to-night.

The Gazette states that August 1 will be observed as a public holiday in the Government offices throughout New Zealand for the celebration of Arbor Day.

## OBITUARY

### MR. WILLIAM HAY

The late Mr Hay was one of the oldest residents of the Lyttelton district. He came out to New Zealand with his wife and three children in 1875, from Yell, in the Shetland Islands, in the sailing-ship, Himalaya. After landing in Lyttelton, he worked for the late Rev. R. R. Bradley, Charteris Bay, father of Mr Orton Bradley. Many years afterwards he purchased at Diamond Harbour some land, which he farmed successfully. He was a well-known figure in Lyttelton, which he visited for years on Wednesdays and Saturdays, finding a ready sale for the early fruits of his well-cultivated garden. He took a keen interest in church affairs generally, and, indeed, in everything that tended to the benefit of the people of the Bay. When a young man Mr. Hay went to California to try his fortune, but his health broke down, and he returned home to the Shetland Islands. He was persuaded by his brother Thomas, who at that time resided in Charteris Bay, to come out to New Zealand, and in a very short time he was restored to his old-time vigour, and remained hale and hearty practically to the time of his death. Mrs Hay predeceased him 36 years ago. Mr Hay leaves three sons and two daughters—Mr H. Hay, who has retired, and is living in Christchurch; Mr Wm. Hay, of Charteris Bay, and manager for years of his father's business; Mr Wm. John Hay, who also lives on his father's farm; Miss Janet Lily Hay, and Mrs Margaret Jane Williams, of Charteris Bay, the former living with her two brothers on the farm.

Page 15 Advertisements Column 7  
Press, Volume LXXIV, Issue 22390,  
2 May 1938, Page 15

### BANKS PENINSULA ELECTRIC POWER BOARD.

ELECTION OF ONE MEMBER TO  
REPRESENT THE COMBINED  
DISTRICTS OF MOUNT HER-  
BERT COUNTY AND DIAMOND  
HARBOUR.

IN THE MATTER OF the Electric  
Power Boards Act, 1925, and the  
Local Elections and Polls Act, 1925,  
and any Amendments thereto I HERE-  
BY GIVE NOTICE that the only per-  
son NOMINATED for the above men-  
tioned office was—

REGINALD ORTON BRADLEY.

And as this nomination does not ex-  
ceed the number required I hereby de-  
clare the said Reginald Orton Bradley  
to be DULY ELECTED.

G. T. BULLOCK,  
Returning Officer.

DATED this 29th day of April, 1938.  
5948

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Akaroa Mail and Banks Peninsula Advertiser,

Volume LXXV, Issue 3545, 12 May

Akaroa Mail and Banks Peninsula Advertiser,  
Volume VI, Issue 593, 21 March 1882, Page 2

STORIES OF THE PENINSULA

No. 22.—THOMAS RICHARD MOORE, M.D

(Contributed by the Rev. R. R. Bradley.)

Mr Orton Guthrie Bradley, who passed away at his residence, Wellington street, Linwood, recently, was the son of Mr William Orton Bradley, shipowner and shipbuilder, of Sunderland, England, and came to New Zealand to his uncle, Rev. R. R. Bradley, of Charteris Bay, Lyttelton, some fifty years ago. He afterwards settled in the Geraldine district, where he brought up a large family of seven sons and three daughters. Two sons are dead, and of the remaining all are serving their country but one whose large family prevents him enlisting. But he served in the Boer war. The eldest son, Captain W. O. Bradley, has been training the artillery at Trentham and Featherston since the war broke out. One son was wounded in the landing on Gallipoli, and is still in England, and two others leave with the 13th and 14th Reinforcements. The late Mr Bradley made something of a record inasmuch as he had only a doctor once in forty years. He also leaves a widow to mourn her loss.

Here is the name of another celebrated old identity. Dr Moore arrived in this Colony by the Sir George Pollock, about the year 1851, and bought land in Charteris Bay, where he settled, but, not being up to the rough-and-tumble life of a colonist, he was finally obliged to sell out to the present owner, Mr R. R. Bradley, the whole of his interest in that Bay. He afterwards settled in Christchurch, and devoted himself to his profession, where he would undoubtedly have reached the height of his ambition, but death stepped in, and he died suddenly about 22 years since. He was a man of bright intellect,

with which he adorned his profession to such an degree that if any case seemed hopeless, the cry was always "Send for Dr. Moore; if he cannot do you good, no one can." On his arrival in this country, and with the intention, as noted above, of turning farmer, he brought with him four celebrated cows, that have since left their stamp on many of the herds of cattle on the Peninsula, Mr R. Rhodes, in particular, owes not a little to the bull Brother Phil for the improvement of his stock at Aburiri and Kaituna. The names of the imported cows were Flash, Duchess, Creamy, and Old Dunny (an Alderney). Mr Rhodes purchased Flash at the doctor's sale, and also Brother Phil, and remnants of their stock could almost still be traced in Mr T. H. Parkinson's herd. About 10 or 12 years ago, when a person had a beast to sell, and could only say that it had been bred from Dr. Moore's stock, it was thought quite enough to establish its quality. One person really did obtain possession of a female calf, the doctor being obliged to part with it instead of wages; but on the whole, like most wise breeders, he was very careful about parting with his female stock. The doctor's cattle eventually became a mixed lot, but such was the celebrity of the above-named imported cattle, that any cow that came from Charteris Bay must be good. We have heard that the doctor, previous to leaving England, had practised successfully in Salisbury, of which city he had been mayor. His widow and family are still in the Colony.