

## PERSONAL.

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. J. M'Lachlan, of Singleton, will regret to learn of the death of their son John, which took place yesterday, in his 18th year. Mr. and Mrs. M'Lachlan were for a number of years resident of Maclean, where some of their relatives are still living.

The Tenterfield "Star" writes:—Mrs. Fitzhardinge and family, who have been on a visit to Tenterfield for the past seven months, leave for Sydney during the week, where they will reside for the summer. Mr. Fitzhardinge, who will be leaving the rivers at an early date, will join them in Sydney.

The death occurred a few days ago, at the age of 85, of Captain William Rice, who for very many years was a prominent figure in Sydney shipping circles. The deceased mariner spent 50 years at sea, but retired about 10 years ago. He arrived in Sydney in the fifties, and was a shipowner and commander for many years. Captain Rice spent the last years of his seafaring career in charge of the vessels of his friend, the late Wm. T. Yeager. He had charge of the ships Terara, Amphitrite, and Neptune, and steamers Ilatypus, Wyoming, and Oakland. Deceased, who was highly esteemed by the residents of the Northern Rivers, saved many lives during the disastrous floods of the past.