

# End of 51 years in business

After 51 years in business, Mr. E. V. Tingey, retires today from the managership of the New Plymouth branch of R. and E. Tingey and Co. Ltd., paint and wallpaper merchants.

"For the time being," Mr. Tingey will continue to live in New Plymouth. "It's a very fine city and has everything I want," he said today.

He will retain an interest in the firm as a shareholder and director.

In the last 50 years, the firm had expanded enormously, said Mr.



MR. E. V. TINGEY . . . retiring today.

Tingey. In 1869 his father had started the first store in Wanganui and now there were 13 branches throughout the country.

"The last decade has seen the greatest progress in New Plymouth," said Mr. Tingey, who has managed the New Plymouth branch since it opened 30 years ago. He attributes this to increased port facilities.

Mr. Tingey was born and educated in Wanganui, where he worked for several years. He will spend most of his time bowling, golfing and swimming. He is a great follower of Rugby, having played in senior games.