

but has rather improved, especially in range and cultivation. Her rendering of "Poor Wandering One" and "Killarney" were real gems of artistic vocalism. Miss Boon made her first appearance before a Greymouth audience in "Whisper and I Shall Hear," and was heartily encoored for a fine effort. She possesses an exceptionally clear voice with a large range. Mr. T. O. Martin took immensely in his comic songs, as also did Mr. G. T. Moss, both of whom had to respond to loud encores. "Come where the lilies bloom," a quartette by Misses Martin and Ashton and Messrs. Guthrie and Gillies had to be repeated. Mr. Steele sang "The garden of sleep," and gave a very amusing recitation, the latter being particularly good. Duets were sung by Misses Dupre and Ashton ("Nocturne") and Miss Martin and Mr. Gillies ("Maying"). Miss Hogg sang "Who is Sylvia," and Miss Griffen "Forget." Mr. Guthrie had to respond for his rendering of "Should wild winds blow," which was ably given. The Catholic Brass Band played a selection from "Lucretia Borgia," and four of their number—Messrs. Phillips, Deere, Gandle and Hannan—played "The village chimes" in a manner that reflected the highest credit on themselves as well as their bandmaster, Mr. A. G. Ashton, who has produced a fine lot of players from what was practically raw material. If this can be taken as a criterion of the capabilities of the West Coast bands, the proposed contest, which will probably take place in March next, should be an unqualified success and meet with general patronage, which we hope will be the case. Taken all through the concert was an unqualified success.

At the recent meeting of the Irish bishops the following deliverance was adopted with reference to a marriage with deceased wife's sister: The archbishops and bishops of Ireland, having considered the Bill which was brought before Parliament at the last session in reference to marriage with a deceased wife's sister, beg to request that the Irish Catholic peers in the House of Lords, and the Catholic Members of Parliament, and Members representing Catholic constituencies in the House of Commons, will give their most strenuous opposition at all future stages to that measure, which would set the law of the land in opposition to the ecclesiastical law, and legalise what is now an invalidating impediment to the sacrament of Matrimony. † MICHAEL CARD, LOGUE (chairman), † FRANCIS J. MACCORMACK, Bishop of Galway and Kilmacduagh, † JOHN HEALY, Bishop of Clonfert (secretaries to the meeting).

WITH reference to his recent letter on the issues of the political campaign in America which occasioned considerable comment, Archbishop Ireland has made the following explanation:—"I was asked by a number of citizens of St Paul to give my views on the present political crisis, and I have done so. There may be criticisms put upon a churchman for entering into a political controversy. I do not believe in a minister entering into mere politics as such; but there are times and questions which rise above that and become matters of patriotism and morality, and we have a right to speak of them as citizens. What I would say in an interview or in a letter I would not say in the pulpit, and I would not permit any minister under my control to speak from the pulpit upon them. So what I have said is as a private citizen who has the interest of his country at heart."

THE annual sports meeting of the Victorian Amateur Athletic Association and the Amateur Cycling Association took place at the St. Kilda Cricket Ground on Saturday, November 14. The most interesting feature of the proceedings was the first appearance in Melbourne of M. M. Roseingrave, the Irish athlete, who holds the world's record in several departments of athletics. Roseingrave won the 120yds. hurdle championship in 16 1-5sec., a Victorian record—17 2-5sec.—being the best previously. He also won the long jump championship of Victoria with 22ft. 8in., against C. H. Watson, 21ft. 1in.; and J. D. Bevan, 20ft. 3 1/2in. In the pole jump championship, Roseingrave was the only competitor, and he took the prize with a jump of 9ft. 0 1/2in. At the amateur championship gathering held in Sydney on Eight Hours Day, Roseingrave, who had only recently arrived from Ireland, broke all previous long jumping records by clearing 23ft. 7 1/2in. The record up till the performance of this feat was 22ft. 6 1/2in., jumped by both C. S. Reber, of America, and C. B. Fry, of England. Roseingrave's previous record was made in Gort, County Galway, where he jumped 23ft. 5in., beating the famous Pat Davin by 3 inches. Roseingrave also holds the hop, step and jump record for Ireland, having covered 50ft. 1in. These performances furnish striking evidence of Ireland's supremacy in the athletic world.

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MESSRS DONALD REID AND Co. report as follows:—

Oats.—We offered a small catalogue, but as competition was not keen we passed the bulk in, pending a better demand. We quote prime milling, 2s 1d to 2s 1 1/2d; good to best feed, 1s 11 1/2d to 2s 3/4d (sacks extra); medium, 1s 9d to 1s 11d per bushel.

Wheat.—There is little business doing, but quotations are practically unchanged. To-day we sold broken fowl wheat at 3s 6d to 3s 11d per bushel (sacks in).

Barley.—Feed lines sold at 2s 3d per bushel (sacks extra).

Potatoes.—A few lots of old Derwents offered, which realised £5 10s per ton (sacks in).

Chaff.—A fair quantity of good chaff has come forward, and values to-day are if anything more in favour of buyers. We offered and sold 30 tons at £2 12s 9d per ton (bags extra).

DUNEDIN HORSE SALEYARDS.

Messrs. WRIGHT, STEPHENSON, AND Co. report as follows:—

At Saturday's sale there was a good entry of horses—mostly hacks and light harness horses. The attendance of buyers was also good, and bidding for all classes of animals showing any quality was brisk. Draughts were only fairly well represented, with the exception of one or two country horses; the rest of those offered were of medium quality. The demand for young sound sorts was good, and a number of inquiries were made for animals of this description. Had there been a few more forthcoming we are confident that they would have found new owners at good prices. Spring cart and spring van horses when showing any quality are much sought after, and consignments of these would sell well. Among the hacks and light harness class there were a number of stylish, well-bred sorts. Most of these changed hands at satisfactory prices. The inquiry for inferior horses of this class is very limited. We quote:—First-class heavy young draughts at from L28 to L33; medium, L20 to L25; aged, L15 to L19; good hacks and strong carriage horses, L15 to L20; spring-cart sorts, L11 to L15; light hacks, L7 to L10; inferior, L2 to L5.

MESSRS. STRONACH BROS. AND MORRIS report for week ending 15th inst as follows:—

Fat Cattle.—Best bullocks, L9 to L9 15s; ordinary do, L7 5s to L8 15s; light do, L6 15s to L7; best cows and heifers, L5 17s 6d to L7 2s 6d; ordinary cows, L4 to L5 10s; others, L2 5s to L3 10s.

Fat Sheep.—Best crossbred wethers (in wool), 15s to 17s 6d; do ewes do, 13s to 14s 9d; do wethers (shorn), 11s to 12s; medium do do, 10s to 10s 6d; light do, do, 7s 9d to 9s 6d; prime ewes, do 10s to 11s 3d; ordinary do, do, 8s 9d to 9s 6d; inferior do, do, 7s to 8s.

Fat Lambs—565 penned, demand good. Best, 9s 6d to 10s; ordinary, 8s to 9s; small, 6s to 7s 6d.

Pigs—68 of all sorts forward; not nearly sufficient for requirement. Bacon pigs, to 35s; porkers, to 27s; grown stores, to 23s; slips, to 17s 6d; suckers, to 11s 6d.

Rabbits-kins.—Season practically over and consignments are now on a very small scale. Best winters advanced in London 1d to 2d per lb. other descriptions 1d to 1d per lb.

Wheat.—Strong demand. Prime milling velvet, to 5s per bushel; best Tuscan and red sorts, to 4s 9d; medium milling, 4s 3d to 4s 7d; fowl wheat, say, 3s 3d to 3s 10d (sacks in).

Oats.—Demand less keen. Value easier, say 1/2d per bushel all round. Best feed, 2s to 2s 1d per bushel; medium, 1s 11d to 1s 11 1/2d; inferior and discoloured, 1s to 1s 10 1/2d (sacks extra).

Potatoes.—Short supply. Best northern derwents, £6. Chaff.—Good demand for best quality which is worth £2 17s 6d; medium, £2 10s to £2 15s.

MR F. MEENAN, King street, reports:—Wholesale price only—Oats: Quiet; feed, medium to good, 1s 10d to 1s 11d; milling, 2s to 2s 1d; Fowls' wheat 3s 10d to 4s; milling, 4s 9d to 5s; chaff L2 to L2 15s. Ryegrass, L2 10s to L2 15s. Straw, 22s to 24s per ton. Loose and pressed potatoes, bare in market, L5 10s to L5 15s. Flour: Roller, L12 to L12 10s; stone, L11 to L11 10s. Oatmeal: L12 in 25lbs. Butter: Dairy, 5d to 8d; factory, 9d. Eggs, 9d. Bran, L3 10s. Pollard, L4 0s. Onions L9.

P.P.P.—The great remedy for Sciatica, Sprains, Neuralgia. To be had from all chemists.—ADVT.

Messrs G. and T. Young, jewellers, of Princes street, invite residents and visitors to Dunedin to inspect their large stock of new goods suitable for Christmas and New Year presents, which have just been opened out for the holidays. Repairing and manufacturing in all branches a speciality.

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Visitors to Dunedin are invited to call and inspect Messrs. A. and T. Inglis' magnificent stock, particulars of which will be found on another page.

In this issue will be found particulars of the Caledonian Society's annual gathering, which takes place on the 1st and 2nd January, 1897. The sum of £450 will be given in prizes, and a successful gathering may with safety be predicted.

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