Wanganui

(From our own correspondent.)

September 26.

The half-yearly general meeting of St. mary's Catholic Club will be held on October 8 in the club rooms.

Last Sunday the members of St. Mary's Catholic Club approached the Holy Table at the first Mass in St. Mary's Church.

The following is the result of the grand aggregate for Andrews' cup and Swan's medal among the members of the Irish Rifles:—Eleven competitions have been fired during the season, the winner being Color-Sergeant Provost with 729 points, Sergeant Langham second with 719.

The final school mat h was played last Saturday between the Taihape and the Wanganui primary school teams at the Recreation Reserve, and resulted in a win for the country boys by 11 points to 6. The Marist Brothers' School was represented by L. Loftus (captain), J. O'Connor, H. Hunt, G. Mahoney, and J. Roche.

The euchre tournament between the Caledonian Society and St. Mary's Catholic Club was held at Hodson's Rooms on Friday evening, when the latter won by 36 points to 29. After the tournament the contestants partook of supper at which several musical items were rendered, and a very pleasant evening was spent. The St. Mary's euchre representatives have not been beaten this season.

It is with regret that I record the death of another old and respected resident of the district, Mrs. Eliza Morton, wife of Mr. Daniel Morton, of Turakina, and mother of Mr. Selby Morton, of Wanganui, which took place on Friday at Turakina. The deceased lady with her husband settled at Turakina upwards of 40 years ago, and had resided there practically ever since. She was in her 70th year and was known and esteemed by a large circle of friends. To the sorrowing relatives they tender their sincere sympathy.

Reefton

The friends of Mrs. M. A. T. Potts (says the 'Inangahua Times') assembled at the presbytery on Sunday evening for the purpose of wishing her good-bye, and, at the same time to present her with a purse of sovereigns, as a small token of their appreciation of her many acts of kindness, and energetic help in every deserving cause, during her long residence in Reefton.

The Rev. Father Galerne, in making the presentation, said he felt sure they were all very sorry to lose Mrs. Potts from their midst, and paid a deserving tribute to her goodness and kindness of heart, and high intellectual attainments—proof of this was the able manner in which she had for so many years edited the Inangahua Times. Father Galerne also made reference to Mrs. Potts untiring zeal in Church matters, and concluded by wishing her success, happiness, and long life in her new sphere.

Mrs. Potts, in reply, said she was deeply grateful to her friends for their marked token of esteem, and could not find words to adequately express her feelings. She was very sorry to leave Reefton, but circumstances rendered it compulsory. As regards helping with Church work, whatever little she had done was always a labor of love. During the last few years she had not been able to assist in this way as much as she would have liked. Again thanking her friends, Mrs. Potts said she would ever remember their many kindnesses.

Mrs. Potts took her departure on Monday evening en route to Wellington.

Napier

(From our own correspondent.)

September 27.

The Catholic social held in the Oddfellows' Hall, Waipawa, was well attended.

The Catholic young ladies are making good progress with the arrangements for the social to be held next Wednesday, which promises to be a great success.

Dominion Day was observed as a close holiday, the ceremonies taking place in the morning at the Marine Parade Band Rotunda, when Rev. Father Goggan was one of the speakers.

The billiard table at St. Patrick's Hall is proving a great source of enjoyment to the members of the Catholic Young Men's Association. The final round of the billiard tournament is now in progress.

The members of the Hastings branch of the Hibernian Society engaged in a euchre tournament last evening (Thursday) with the members of the Young Men's Association. The Hibernians proved too many for the Young Men, winning by 29 games to 8.

The quarterly meeting of the St. John's branch of the Hibernian Society was held last Wednesday, when it was decided that the place of meeting should 'be changed from the Marist Brothers' schoolroom to St. Patrick's Hall.

There has been a steady throng of visitors to the Meanee observatory every evening during the last fortnight for the purpose of viewing the moon and other heavenly bodies through the large telescope. The Very Rev. Dr. Kennedy very ably explained the mechanism of the telescope and described the various wonders of the sky. Dr. Kennedy states that the moon cannot be seen to advantage when full, as the light from the sun falls perpendicularly on the moon, which is consequently too bright. During the evenings Dr. Kennedy showed some photographs of the sun, with a sun spot on it measuring one hundred million square miles in extent.

THE LATE VERY REV DEAN MARTIN



Monument erected to the Memory of the late Very Rev Dean Martin, Hokitika, a detailed description of which appeared in a recent issue.

The well known establishment of Messrs Brown, Ewing and Co., Dunedin, is now fully equipped for the season. All are welcome to visit the establishment, and see the beautiful, fashionable and seasonable goods on view....

Our readers in Southland are reminded that Messrs Kinsland and Ferguson, undertakers and monumental masons, Spey and Dee Streets, Invercargill, have opened a monumental yard with a choice selection of a new stock of granite and marble monuments, headstones and crosses....