

grand seminary and a minor seminary. In the diocese of Montreal, besides the grand seminary, the Sulpicians conduct a number of other institutes of learning, and in addition to the Sulpicians, the Jesuits, the Congregation of the Holy Cross, the Oblate Fathers of Mary Immaculate, the Clercs de St. Viateur, the Basilian Fathers, and the Christian Brothers, devote themselves to the work of education. At present Catholic Canada has one Cardinal, seven Archbishops, twenty-three Bishops, and about fifteen hundred priests. The number of Catholics is 2,229,600; the total population is 5,371,315. The Indian population of the Dominion is now about 103,000.

## ST. PATRICK'S COLLEGE FOOTBALL TEAM IN AUCKLAND

(From an Occasional Correspondent.)

The St. Patrick's College Football Team of nineteen players, under the care of the Very Rev. Father Keogh, S.M. (Rector), and accompanied by Rev. Fathers Graham and Gilbert, of the College staff, arrived at Auckland on July 1. The visitors were met by the members of the St. John's Collegiate School Football Team, and representatives of the clergy, the St. Patrick's College 'Old Boys,' and the Sacred Heart College. The team was the first southern college team to visit Auckland, and consequently the visit was of more than passing interest to the people of the northern city. As not one of the nineteen members of the touring team had ever been in Auckland before, the tour was quite an event in the boys' lives, and they spent the time left to them after fulfilling their numerous engagements in seeing the various points of interest in and around the city.

On Wednesday evening the visitors were present at a lecture by the Rev. Father Edge; and on Thursday, in the Municipal Council Chambers, Mr. A. M. Myers (Mayor of Auckland) extended to the Rector and boys a public welcome to the city. After the boys had been introduced to his Worship by Mr. M. J. Sheahan (chairman of the Auckland Rugby Union), the Mayor said that it gave him great pleasure to be able to welcome, on behalf of the citizens of Auckland, the Very Rev. Father Keogh and the boys of St. Patrick's College to the city. The Rector was too well known throughout the length and breadth of the Dominion to need any praise from him on the successes that had attended his work in the educational world, but he (Mr. Myers) felt it his duty to congratulate St. Patrick's College at having such a brilliant man at the head of its affairs. The Mayor then went on to show that St. Patrick's, though the home of every branch of pure athletic sport, was shown by the results of the annual examinations to be equally successful in the field of intellectual development.

Mr. M. J. Sheahan, on behalf of the Auckland Rugby Union, extended a warm welcome to the visitors. He remarked that while such men as his Worship the Mayor and the Very Rev. Father Keogh took an interest in pure sport, and while the colleges played good football, there was no need to fear that professionalism could ever seriously affect the Rugby game in New Zealand.

The Very Rev. the Rector of St. Patrick's, in reply, thanked the Mayor for the very kindly manner in which his boys and himself had been received, and said that their visit had been rendered all the more enjoyable by the fact that such a well-known and widely-respected Mayor had spared the time to honor them with a mayoral welcome to the beautiful city of Auckland. After referring to the great progress made by Auckland, the Very Rev. Father Keogh concluded by thanking the Mayor for his generous offer of a shooting cup, and promised that the St. Patrick's College Cadet Volunteers would do their best to win it. He then called for three cheers for the Mayor, which were vigorously given. His Worship then reiterated his words of welcome, and expressed the hope that the visitors would have a pleasant stay in Auckland. He then led three cheers for the respected Rector of St. Patrick's, and with three more for the Auckland Rugby Union the proceedings terminated.

On Thursday evening, in St. Benedict's Hall, the 'Old Boys' of St. Patrick's College now resident in Auckland tendered a welcome conversation to the representatives of their Alma Mater. There were about 350 persons present, including Professor Seager (of the Auckland University College), Mr. J. W. Tibbs (Auckland Grammar School) and staff, Rev. P. S. Smallfield (St. John's Collegiate School), Rev. Brother Paul (Sacred Heart College), Mr. M. J. Sheahan (Auckland Rugby Union),

and the members of the football teams of the three colleges. The hall was tastefully decorated with greenery, etc., the college colors forming a prominent feature of the decorations.

Mr. W. Fallon, on behalf of the Old Boys, welcomed the Rector and team to Auckland. He spoke of the great interest in college affairs that was always taken by his fellow Old Boys, and proceeded to give some good advice to the boys as from 'an elder brother.'

Professor Seager, M.A., said it gave him very great pleasure to assist in welcoming the St. Patrick's College team on behalf of the University. Besides being the representatives of secondary education, they were the embodiment of pure sport—of football as it should be played,—and he trusted that their visit would be the forerunner of many more of the same nature.

The Rev. Mr. Smallfield (headmaster St. John's Collegiate School) and Mr. J. W. Tibbs (headmaster Auckland Grammar School) also welcomed the visitors. A long programme of musical items was interspersed throughout the evening, amongst those taking part being the Misses Knight (2), Kelly, and Amodeo, and Messrs. McElwain, Bagnall, Jackson, and Asberry. A dainty supper was in charge of an energetic ladies' committee. After the supper had been done justice to, the Rector replied to the various speeches of welcome. He said he felt deeply honored by the fact that such a large and representative gathering had assembled that evening to welcome the boys and himself, and he owed a debt of gratitude to the 'Old Boys,' who had prepared such a magnificent entertainment. He concluded by extending an invitation to all present to visit the college whenever they might be passing through Wellington.

On Friday evening the team was present by invitation at a euchre party, held in the Royal Albert Hall in connection with the Marist Brothers' Old Boys' Club.

On Saturday afternoon the first match of the tour was played against the St. John's Collegiate School at Alexandra Park as a curtain-raiser to the Auckland-Thames representative fixture. St. Patrick's was represented by the following team: Full back, Baker; three-quarters—W. Maher, Cullen, Stewart; five-eighths, Devoy (captain) and Ryan; half, Gallagher; forwards—Rochford (wing), Burke, Butler, Outram, Lynch, Cameron, Maher, and Coakley. The 'New Zealand Herald' contained the following report of the match:—The finished manner in which the students from the Empire City handled and kicked the ball and their clever tactics speak well for the efficient manner in which they are coached. The team came with a lengthy record of victories, and they played right up to the traditions of their side. The local team were not a powerful side, and were valiantly defending their line practically the whole of the game. Maher opened up the scoring account of St. Patrick's, and then Cameron, Cullen, Rochford, and Gallagher scored tries before the spell ended. Ryan failed in each instance at the kick at goal. Playing against the wind in the second spell, St. Patrick's were seen to even better advantage, their long line of backs and clever flip passing completely nonplussing St. John's. In this spell tries were scored by Cullen (2), Ryan, and Rochford. The last try was converted by Ryan, and the game ended: St. Patrick's 29 points, St. John's nil. The visitors were slightly heavier than the local side. Mr. H. Frost made a very efficient referee.

At the conclusion of the Thames-Auckland match the two college teams proceeded to St. John's Collegiate School at Onehunga, where they were welcomed by the Rev. P. S. Smallfield, the deservedly popular headmaster. After a visit of inspection around the college, both teams sat down to dinner in the dining hall of the college. Rev. Mr. Smallfield presided, and there were present Very Rev. Father Keogh, Rev. Fathers Graham and Gilbert, and Brother Paul.

Very Rev. Father Keogh, in replying to the toast of 'St. Patrick's College,' said it gave him great pleasure to see the friendly manner in which that afternoon's game had been contested. He thanked St. John's for the kindness his team had received from them; they were the first to extend the welcome hand of friendship when the visitors landed at Onehunga, and he would never forget the way in which the teams had fraternised after the match.

Mr. Mark Devoy, in replying to the toast of 'St. Patrick's Football Team,' said that only one team could win, and fortune favored his team that day. He hoped—and the team were of the same opinion—that they would be able to play St. John's in Wellington on some future occasion.

On Sunday morning the team attended 11 o'clock Mass at St. Patrick's Cathedral, and in the evening the boys were present at the Sacred Heart Church, Ponsonby.