Intercolonial

Mr. T. J. Ryan, M.L.A., leader of the State Labor Party in Queensland, was entertained by the Central Political Executive, and a gold watch and albert were presented to him.

The death occurred in Melbourne the other day of the Rev. Father Daniel Nelan, brother of the Very Rev. Dean Nelan, of Colac, and the Rev. Father Nelan, of Essendon. Father Nelan had been ailing for some years, and, owing to his infirmities, was on the clerical sick list of the archdiocese.

Right Rev. Monsignor Robinson, of Kalgoorlie, left the West recently to join the Redemptorist Order in Ireland. The Very Rev. Dean Kielly has been appointed his successor. During Monsignor Robinson's 13 years' zealous labors in the parish no fewer than £22,000 had been expended in religious works.

The Catholics of Australia and New Zealand will rejoice to learn that the 50,000 stones asked for to complete the Church of Our Lady of Victories, Melbourne, have now been subscribed (says the Freeman's Journal). His Grace the Archbishop of Melbourne claimed as his privilege the right to place the first hundred stones, and his Holiness the Pope the last hundred, while the number between 49,800 stones have been given by devout clients of Mary throughout Australasia. Father Robinson has no doubt but that all the promises will be honorably redeemed.

The following appointments have been made by his Grace the Archbishop of Melbourne amongst the clergy of the archdiocese: - Rev. T. S. Collins, pastor of Queenscliff. Rev. John Collins, administrator of Carlton during the absence of Father J. H. O'Connell, P.P. Rev. J. P. O'Connell, from St. Patrick's Cathedral, to be pastor of the new mission of North Brunswick Rev. J. H. O'Grady, from Brunswick, to be pastor of the new mission at Preston. Rev. W. B. Mangan, M.A., from St. Francis', City, to be pastor of the new mission at Sandringham. Rev. John P. Carney, from Gordon, to be pastor of the new mission of Diamond

A cablegram was received in Sydney the other day announcing the death in San Remo of Mr. John Maurice Toohey, the second and only surviving son of the late Hon. John Toohey, M.L.C., of 'Innisfail,' Wahroonga. For some years past his health had not been robust, and, seeking to benefit it, he took several trips to Europe and the United States. Last year he again went to Europe, and for some time he was recoiving special treatment in Germany. Lately he went to San Remo, in the Italian Riviera, where Mrs Toohey, his sisters-Mrs. Kenelm Dormer, who was recently married in England, and who had spent some time with her husband at Nairobi, East Africa; and Miss Eileen Toohey-and Miss Egan joined him. His eldest sister is a member of the Redemptorist Order in Dublin. The late Mr. Toohey, who was in his 35th year, was a fine type of manly Australian, and was popular with all classes. His charity was generous, but unostentatious. He was educated at St. Ignatius' College, Riverview, and was a prominent member of the ex-students' association.

Cromwell

(From an occasional correspondent.)

March 12.

The following pupils of the Dominican Convent, Cromwell, passed the theoretical musical examination of Trinity College, London, held in December :-

Preparatory.—Milly Thomas, 100; James Goodger, 100; Jessie Nicol, 99; George Stumbles, 99; Lena Stumbles, 92; Pearl McLoughlin, 91; Madge Goodger, 200. 89; Olive May, 73.

Junior.—Kathleen Burk, 90 (honors).

All the pupils presented passed. In the junior practical examination, Freda Robertson was successful _in gaining honors.

Hokitika

(From our own correspondent.)

March 8.

His Lordship Bishop Grimes will be in Hokitika on the 22nd of this month. He will administer Confirmation to a large number of candidates, who are at present being prepared for the reception of this sacrament by the Sisters of Mercy. During the afternoon of the same day his Lordship will lay the foundation stone of the new church.

In the Hokitika news in our issue of February 26, in the report of several examination results, the name of Mary Heads appeared in mistake for that of Mary Neads.

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