

## OBITUARY

### MRS. O'ROURKE, NAPIER.

Death has laid its hand very heavily upon Mr. B. O'Rourke, sen., and his family during the last few days (says the *Hawke's Bay Herald* of July 20). Following the death of the youngest son, Mr. James O'Rourke, on Friday morning, Mrs. O'Rourke, sen., passed away on Saturday morning. The news caused a profound shock to the community, and feelings of widespread sympathy for the bereaved family. The deceased lady was an old colonist, having arrived in New Zealand in the early 'sixties, partaking of the ups and downs of goldfields life at Charleston, on the West Coast, where Mr. O'Rourke took a prominent part in the pioneering work of those stirring times, eventually coming to Napier, where the family have been well and popularly connected with its business life since 1875. Mrs. O'Rourke's health had been failing for some time, but her end was doubtless accelerated by the shock of the death of her son James. On Sunday the remains of mother and son were laid to rest in the Napier Cemetery, the cortege being one of the largest seen in the city for many years. A service was first held at St. Patrick's Church, and the final rites were performed by the Rev. Fathers O'Sullivan and O'Connor, the scene at the graveside, when the coffins containing the remains of mother and son were lowered into the one grave beside that of a son and brother, who had died only a comparatively short time previously, being most impressive. The members of the

H.A.C.B. Society, of which the late Mr. James O'Rourke was a member, attended in full strength, and acted as pall-bearers. - R.I.P.

### Huntly

(From an occasional correspondent.)

The Sisters of Notre Dame des Missions, Huntly, have just received word that the three pupils who sat for the recent examination in connection with the Federal Business College, Sydney, have passed with honors in the following subjects: Shorthand (second grade) Cecelia Farrell, 90; Kathleen Nicolls, 90; Grace Berry, 85. Book-keeping (second grade) - Cecelia Farrell, 95; Kathleen Nicolls, 90; Grace Berry, 85. Typewriting (second grade) Cecelia Farrell, 90; Kathleen Nicolls, 90; Grace Berry, 90.

### Hamilton

The first annual meeting of the local branch of the Catholic Federation was held on Sunday, July 12. The report and balance sheet were read and adopted, and the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Messrs. J. A. Hair, Edward Jones, Edward de V. McGarrigle, Albert Lemon, Francis J. Pryor and Patrick Sweeney (parish representatives), Thos. Dillon and Michael O'Leary (St. Mary's Young Men's Club), Misses Farrell and Fraser (Children of Mary); hon. secretary, Mr. E. de V. McGarrigle; hon. treasurer, Very Rev. Dean Darby.

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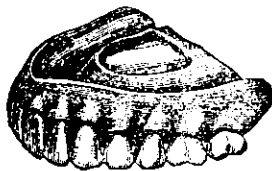
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