

ST. MARY'S COLLEGE, OAMARU

The Right Rev. Monsignor Mackay presided at the annual break-up of St. Mary's College and St. Thomas' Academy on Thursday morning, December 10. In addressing the boys of St. Thomas', Monsignor Mackay congratulated them on their happy appearance and on the fact that good health had prevailed among them during the entire year. Some, no doubt, would miss their accustomed prizes, but the thought that by giving them up they were providing not luxuries, but necessities for so many this Christmas season, would more than compensate for the sacrifice they were making. He wished all a happy vacation and a punctual return to school.

During the year the senior boys attended the Technical woodwork class, where, under Mr. Grigg, very good progress in this useful branch was made. The dancing class, conducted by Miss Dawson, has not only improved the general deportment of the boys, but has also given opportunity for pleasant and healthful exercise during the winter evenings. Miss Nowejohn's instruction in cooking were very popular with the girls of St. Mary's, and should prove most useful to those who benefited by her careful training. Physical drill, as heretofore, has occupied a prominent place in the year's course, and to it and the exercise afforded by games and gardening may be ascribed much of the development and good health of the boys.

The Academy re-opens in February, and early application is necessary to secure places.

Senior Grade.—Religion knowledge: M. Foley. St. Luke: M. Foley, D. Kelly. English literature: E. Taylor, M. Foley. Prize essay: E. Taylor. Mathematics: M. Molloy. Physiology: D. Kelly, M. Molloy. Latin: M. Molloy. French: D. Kelly, M. Molloy. Geography: D. Kelly.

Intermediate Grade.—Religion knowledge: I. Rowe. Church history: A. Harney and E. De Courcy. Class prize: E. De Courcy. English: L. Miller. Arithmetic: G. Molloy. History: M. Wylie. Writing and geography: A. Harney. Recitation: E. De Courcy, K. Grave. French: E. De Courcy, M. Foley, G. Molloy, L. Miller, I. Rowe.

Junior Grade.—Religion knowledge: Mary Maxwell, E. Grave, K. Boswell. English: M. Maxwell, K. Boswell. Arithmetic: W. Rowe, M. Maxwell. Writing: M. Maxwell, W. Rowe. French: M. Maxwell, M. Marshall, and K. Boswell. Drawing: May Marshall. Brushwork: M. Maxwell. Singing: L. Rooney, M. Maxwell, M. Marshall, K. Boswell.

General Prizes.—Good conduct: M. Foley. Politeness and deportment: K. Grave. Application: M. Molloy, E. De Courcy, G. Molloy. Attendance: E. De Courcy, D. Kelly. Physical exercises: D. Kelly, K. Grave. Needlework: A. Harney. Cooking: I. Rowe and M. Wylie. Painting: R. Patterson.

ST. THOMAS' ACADEMY.

Religion knowledge: Anthony Loughnan, Gerald Shiel; hon. mention, Pat Shiel, Humphrey Geaney, Joseph Milne, Tom Goodger. English: A. Loughnan, N. Geaney; hon. mention, R. Waldron, G. Shiel, J. Milne, I. Loughnan, T. Goodger. Arithmetic: A. Loughnan; hon. mention, N. Geaney, R. Waldron, P. Shiel, I. Loughnan; second prize, T. Goodger, J. Milne. Latin: A. Loughnan; hon. mention, H. Geaney, P. Shiel, I. Loughnan, R. Waldron. French: G. Shiel; hon. mention, A. Loughnan, H. Geaney, P. Shiel, J. Milne, B. Carter, I. Loughnan, T. Goodger, R. Waldron. Recitation: P. Shiel. Brushwork: A. Loughnan; hon. mention, R. Waldron, P. Shiel, N. Geaney. Drawing: I. Loughnan; hon. mention, C. Buchanan.

General Prizes.—Good conduct: A. Loughnan. Politeness and trustworthiness: J. Milne. Dancing: G. Shiel, A. Loughnan, R. Waldron, G. Tulloch, P. Inkston, N. Kempston. Physical drill: G. Shiel; hon. mention, A. Loughnan, K. Kempston. Singing: G. Shiel, A. Loughnan, H. Geaney, P. Shiel, B. Carter,

C. Buchanan, C. Tulloch, P. Inkston. Home training: Politeness at table—B. Inkston; bed-making—T. Tulloch. Darning: R. Waldron, A. Loughnan. Gardening: G. Shiel, R. Waldron. Games: Cricket—R. Waldron; football—R. Waldron, G. Shiel; races—R. Waldron. Woodwork: G. and P. Shiel.

Kindergarten.

Standard I.—Class prize, Christian doctrine, singing—Charlie Tulloch (St. Thomas' Academy). General improvement, recitation, drawing—Paul Inkson (St. Thomas' Academy). Spelling, writing, general improvement—Alma Milne (St. Thomas' Academy). Arithmetic, drawing, hand work—Henry Carrington. Writing, drawing, flower embroidery, politeness, recitation—Gertie Rowe. Mat-weaving, object lessons, politeness—Evelyn Grave. Arithmetic, spelling—Louise Carrington.

Class III.—Spelling, arithmetic, wood and cork work—Mewi Sheil (St. Thomas' Academy). Singing, mat-weaving—George Buchanan (St. Thomas' Academy). Crayon drawing—Martie O'Brien. General improvement—Willie Butts.

Class II.—Reading, writing, nature study—Lennie Pavletich (St. Thomas' Academy). Recitation, tables, embroidery fruit, bar placing—Harry Kempston. Writing, paper plaiting—Bernie Inkson (St. Thomas' Academy). General improvement and paper folding—Tom Quirk (St. Thomas' Academy). Attendance, embroidery—Jack Kavanagh. Geometrical drawing—Zita Rowe. Good conduct, amiability—Moya Twomey. Singing, botany, mat-weaving, sewing—Tui Grave.

Class I.—Word-building, gentleness, weaving—Phyllis McDonald. Spelling, paper-work—Ruby Kavanagh. Counting, word-building—Ian Buchanan (St. Thomas' Academy). Reading, card-pricking—Frank Carrington.

Music Prizes.

Royal College of Music.—Advanced: Ailis Molloy. Intermediate: Maude McCone. Higher division: May Cooney. Elementary: Olive Cooney, Kathleen Pritchard, Milly Cox. Primary: Daphne Hanna (distinction), Gerald Shiel (St. Thomas' Academy), Marjorie Neave, Eileen Docherty. Rudiments: Maude McCone.

Trinity College of Music.—Senior: Tui McKinnon (honors). Intermediate: Daisy Hoskin, Annie Atkinson. Junior: Margaret Atkinson (honors), Nellie Harvey. Preparatory: Patrick Shiel (St. Thomas' Academy, honors), May O'Brien (honors). First steps: Humphrey Geaney (St. Thomas' Academy, honors), Janet McKay (honors).

ST. JOSEPH'S SCHOOL, OAMARU

The pupils of this school gladly relinquished their prizes this year in favor of the Belgian relief fund, and were pleased to receive certificates of merit in place of them.

Right Rev. Monsignor Mackay, who presided at the distribution, advised the children to treasure their certificates. Though they might not be as valuable as prizes, still they would be mementos of the brave Belgians and of their own desire to help in relieving the starving people. He wished them a pleasant holiday and hoped to see everyone back on the opening day, each resolved not to miss one day at school for the year 1915.

The following is the prize-list:—

Standard II.—Writing: Mary McElhenny, Richard Costigan. Diligence: Douglas Hall. General improvement: Wm. Hannigan. Writing: Rena Tripp. Reading: Mary Hanney. Recitation and singing: Mary Ny. General improvement: Lily O'Grady. Reading and spelling: F. McCauley.

Standard III.—Reading: Thos. Kearns. Spelling: Chas. Rowe. General improvement: Joseph Dwyer. Neat home-work: John Mackay. Improvement: John Andrews. Reading: John Hall. Diligence: Wm. Ny. Writing and reading: Gustave Ny. Improvement: George Tripp. Arithmetic: Geo. Hannon. Reading: