

OBITUARY

MR. P. F. BROPHY, ORARI.

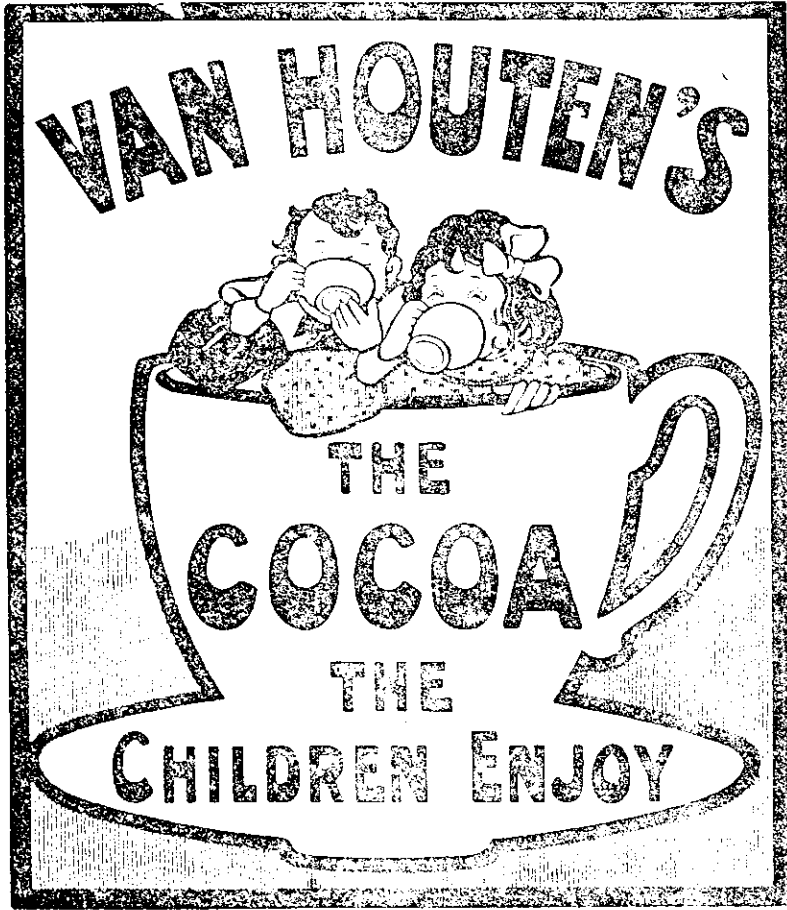
(From an occasional correspondent.)

Orari has lost one of its most popular residents, and the Catholic Church a loyal and worthy son by the death of Mr. Patrick Francis Brophy, which took place in the Geraldine Hospital on February 8, after a very short illness. The deceased, who was 33 years of age at the time of his death, and was married only ten months ago to Miss Maggie Tasker, of Opawa, Christchurch, was the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Brophy, of Sutherlands. By his death the Hibernian

Society, which was established in the Geraldine parish six years ago, loses its first member. Requiem Mass was celebrated on February 10, in the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Geraldine, by the Rev. Father Bowers, who also performed the last sad offices at the graveside. The funeral, which was the largest ever seen in the district, reflected the respect in which the deceased was held. Six members of the local branch of the Hibernian Society acted as pall-bearers, and, besides the immediate relatives of both families, there were present the Very Rev. Father Taylor, S.M., Rev. Father Herring, S.M., and a large number of friends from every part of South Canterbury. Messages of sympathy were received from his Lordship the Bishop, Very Rev. Chancellor Price, Very Rev. Father Graham, S.M., M.A., Rev. Dr. Kennedy, Rev. Fathers Cronin, Cooney, Hanrahan, Long, Murphy, and many others.—R.I.P.

MR. A. R. DUGGAN, WELLINGTON.

By the death of Mr. A. R. Duggan (writes a correspondent) there has been removed a familiar figure from Wellington business circles. Mr. Duggan had been over 30 years in the service of the Bank of Australasia. His demise has been keenly felt by many of the bank's officers, scattered through New Zealand and the Commonwealth, and they cherish the memory of one who was honored as a man, and loved as a friend. Previous to joining the bank's service he had settled on the land in the Taranaki district, which he later relinquished in order to volunteer for service with the Armed Constabulary at the time of the Parihaka disturbances. Mr. Duggan was a constant attendant at the Basilica, where he has left behind him an example of deep but unostentatious virtue. A Requiem Mass was celebrated by Rev. Father Seymour, in the presence of the deceased's closest friends. Rev. Father Smyth officiated at the graveside, the pall-bearers being the senior officers of the Wellington branch of the Bank of Australasia. The deceased gentleman is survived by a son, who is a prominent teacher in the Hawke's Bay district, and six daughters, including Mrs. M. O'Malley, of Wellington, and Misses Annie and Myra Duggan.—R.I.P.



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