

MUSICAL EXAMINATIONS

-ST. COLUMBKILLE'S CONVENT, HOKITIKA.

The following are the results of the musical examinations conducted by Mr. S. Myerscough, Trinity College, London, at the convent on October 8. All the candidates are pupils of the Sisters:—

Professional, Associate (Practical).—Ethel Heenan, 72.

Higher Local.—Alice Stopforth, 83 (honors).

Intermediate.—Doris Hawken, 69.

Junior.—Alice Hannam, 87 (honors); Mona Webster, 86 (honors); Imelda Devaney, 73; Mary Coulson, 73.

Preparatory.—Nellie Downey, 91 (honors); Alice Hannam (violin), 91 (honors); Netta Coulson, 90 (honors); Amelia Haussman, 85 (honors); Myra Heenan, 76.

First Steps.—Mollie Toker, 93 (distinction); Mary Rae, 91 (distinction); Mary Downey, 89 (distinction); Kate Toker, 89 (distinction).

GREYMOUTH.

(From an occasional correspondent.)

At the recent Trinity College examinations, held in Greymouth, the following pupils of Miss Mollie Noonan, A.T.C.L., L.A.B., were successful:—

Intermediate.—Agnes Tennent, 82 (honors); Phylis Truscott, 81 (honors); Ethel Mackenzie, 78.

Junior.—Doris Billingham, 74.

At the theoretical examination held in June:—

Intermediate.—Ethel Mackenzie, 76; Agnes Tennent, 64.

Junior.—Kathleen O'Neil, 80 (honors).

At the competitions held in September:—Men's musical monologue (under 21).—R. Tennent 1. Ladies' musical monologue (under 21), Miss Mabel Thompson 2. Pianoforte solo (under 16), Agnes Tennent 3.

OAMARU.

(From our own correspondent.)

The local examinations in connection with the Trinity College of Music were held at Oamaru on June 19 last. The results have now been made available. The following are the successes gained by some of our Catholic teachers:—

Senior Division.—Honors—L. Gray (Miss Cartwright, L.T.C.L., L.A.B.), 96; M. Currie (Miss Gilligan, A.T.C.L.), 88; E. Daly, 80; O. Diver, 80 (Miss Cartwright). Passes—E. Ramsay, 71 (Miss Cartwright); F. Matches, 69 (Miss Cartwright); I. Mitchell, 67 (Miss Cartwright).

Intermediate Division.—Honors—C. Lane (Miss Cartwright), 83; E. Broad, 80 (Miss Cartwright). Passes—F. Fodie (Miss Gilligan), 72; E. Beckingsale (Miss Cartwright), 66.

Advanced Junior Division.—Passes—N. Crisp (Miss Cartwright), 65.

Lower Junior Division.—Honors—M. Walker (Miss Cartwright), 100; V. Horsfall (Miss Gilligan), 98; P. Robins, 91; C. Tait, 91 (Miss Gilligan); M. Gilchrist (Miss Gilligan), 85. Passes—E. Hewat (Miss Cartwright), 75.

Preparatory Division.—E. Barley (Miss Gilligan), 100; P. Kent (Miss Cartwright), 100; S. Fraser (Miss Gilligan), 96; R. Briscoe (Miss Cartwright), 94; N. Kibblewhite (Miss Gilligan), 93; F. Johnstone, 91; T. Morgan, 91; A. Clarke, 88 (Miss Gilligan).

Mr. Francis McCullagh, the well-known war correspondent, who is a native of County Tyrone, has for some time been serving in Tipperary as a lieutenant in the Royal Irish Fusiliers. He has now received orders to proceed to the front. Until a few months ago he was acting as war correspondent with the Russian Army on the East front, representing one of the London dailies and one of the leading American journals.

Intercolonial

The Ballarat diocese has sent two zealous chaplains to the front, in the persons of Rev. Fathers Goidanich and Close.

The election of the Right Rev. Abbot Catalan, O.S.B., as Lord Abbot of New Norcia has been officially confirmed. When the news reached New Norcia the abbey bells rang, as is customary on such occasions.

The Rev. Father Hogan, of Shepparton, Victoria, announced at St. Brendan's Church the other Sunday that the amount of money raised for buildings and improvement in the last five years was £5005 17s 6d, and the present indebtedness is £11 2s 6d. At a very large meeting of the parishioners it was decided to build immediately an up-to-date primary school.

The Very Rev. Father T. Brown, C.S.S.R., who replaces the Very Rev. Father P. M. Lynch as Superior of the Redemptorist community at Manila, Philippine Islands, is a native of Dundalk, Ireland. He studied in Ireland, England, and Belgium. He has been on the mission in Ireland and eight years in Australia. He succeeded Father Lynch as Superior of the Monastery at Waratah, and he has given missions all over Victoria and New South Wales. Many (says the *Catholic Press*) will be glad to hear of the return of Father Lynch, who has been four and a-half years in Manila. Father Brown leaves Sydney by the Tango Maru on the 22nd inst.

The following triennial changes in the Redemptorist Order in Australia have been made (says the *Catholic Press*):—Rev. Father Treacy has been appointed Rector of Waratah; Rev. Father Whelan, Superior of Tweed Heads; Rev. Father Hunt, Rector of Ballarat; and Rev. Father Creagh, Superior of Perth. Very Rev. Father T. Brown replaces Very Rev. Father P. M. Lynch as Superior at Manila. Father Lynch will return to Waratah. The Very Rev. Father Gleeson retains the position of Vice-Provincial. The Waratah community will comprise the following: Rev. Fathers Gleeson, Treacy, P. P. Murray, Bannon, Langley, Lynch, Cagney, and Mageean. The Tweed Heads community comprises Rev. Fathers Whelan, Cussen, Nolan, and Joyce. Rev. Father McGrath, formerly of Tweed Heads, is attached to the Perth community.

Captain the Rev. A. J. Goodman, M.S.H., who has been appointed chaplain to the Australian Expeditionary Forces for continuous service, left for the front by a troopship on October 4. Father Goodman (says the *Freeman's Journal*) is the third chaplain given by the Missionaries of the Sacred Heart from Australia during the present war. The other two were Captain Rev. J. Gilbert, M.S.H., and Captain Rev. Paul Lynch, M.S.H., who are now at the front. All three were educated for the priesthood and trained for missionary work at the Sacred Heart Monastery, Kensington. Being Australians themselves, they gladly volunteered as chaplains, deeming it an honor to follow their countrymen to the fighting line, there to give them all possible spiritual aid where they need it most. Father Gilbert is a native of New Zealand, Father Goodman of West Australia, and Father Lynch hails from Ireland, though Australia is the land of his adoption. The three of them have been appointed for continuous service until the end of the war, and they are the first Australian priests to have received such an appointment. Two of the present chaplain's brothers have already been in active service: Private T. Goodman (W.A.), who has been seriously wounded, and has since returned home in a very critical condition; and Private A. Goodman, who is still in the firing line.

Mgr. Vincent Sage, of the Paris Foreign Missions, Auxiliary Bishop of South Manchuria, is the youngest bishop in China, being only 35 at his consecration last March (says *Catholic Missions*).