

MARIST BROTHERS' SCHOOL, NEWTOWN



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Champion Swimming Team of Wellington Schools and
Winners of the Duthie Cup, 1916:—J. Ryan, B. Quinn-
nell, T. Columb, D. Gallighan. Winner Junior Cham-
pionship Diving: J. Ward.

Hokitika.

(From our own correspondent.)

April 25.

Large congregations attended St. Mary's Church at both Masses on Easter Sunday. At the 8 o'clock Mass a large number of persons approached the Holy Table. At the 10 o'clock Mass the Rev. Father Clancy preached an eloquent sermon on the 'Resurrection.' The choir, under the conductorship of Mrs. S. W. Richardson, sang the Mass of St. Cecilia.

Mrs. Margaret Tobin, an old and highly esteemed resident, passed away on Sunday last, at the age of 77 years. The deceased lady, who was a native of Galway, arrived in Hokitika in 1864, and for 25 years lived in Kanieri, where her husband followed the occupation of a miner. She and her husband afterwards removed to Kumara. The late Mrs. Tobin was of a generous and charitable disposition, and was greatly respected by all who knew her. She was a staunch Catholic. She leaves a husband and seven children—Messrs Edward Tobin (Melbourne), Michael and Thomas Tobin (Thames), Mrs. Carroll (Nelson), Mrs. John Walsh (Westport), Mrs. Lynskey (Rangiora), and Mrs. T. Kennedy (Hokitika).—R.I.P.

Palmerston North

(From our own correspondent.)

April 28.

At a meeting of the heads of guilds of the Sacred Heart Society, Mr. Holloway was elected hon. secretary.

Mr. D. Colch has enlisted, and goes into camp next month. He was a member of the choir. He makes the fourth member to offer his services for his King and country—one of whom has been killed and another wounded. Mr. Colch is vice-president of the local branch of the H.A.C.B. Society.

There were crowded congregations at all the Masses on Easter Sunday. A *Missa Cantata* was celebrated at 11 o'clock by the Rev. Father Forrester. The choir sang the Mass of St. Mary Magdalen in good style, Mr. J. Cosgrove conducting. After the 11 o'clock Mass the choir were entertained by Rev. Father McManus.

Intercolonial

Speaking at the annual meeting of the Mater Misericordiae Hospital, North Sydney, the Archbishop of Sydney referred to the fact that the Catholic inmates of the hospital were in a minority, and it was pleasing to know that the Catholic hospitals were appreciated.

Two West Australian priests, Rev. Father P. Briody and the Rev. Father D. O'Donnell, were on the Sussex when she was torpedoed in the English Channel. They cabled to Archbishop Clune that they were rescued, but are unable to resume their journey to Australia.

Mr. W. Archbald, M.H.R., who was present at the laying of the foundation-stone of the new presbytery at Brompton, South Australia, by his Grace the Most Rev. Dr. Spence, Archbishop of Adelaide, declared that the Catholic Church had done its share, and perhaps more than its share, in helping to build up the moral tone that was doing so much to right the present war. Although not a member of that Church, he could not help admiring the noble work it was performing.

The first sod of the ground on which the Catholic College is to be erected in the University reserve, Melbourne, was turned on April 11, in the presence of his Grace the Coadjutor-Archbishop of Melbourne, the Most Rev. Dr. Mannix, and the Rev. Dr. Kelly, P.P. The site is a hive of industry (says the *Advocate*), teams of ploughs and harrows working to prepare the ground for the foundations. Quantities of Barabool stone are being handled by the stonemasons, and within a few days some 200 men will be at work. Judging from the thorough manner in which the builder, Mr. B. Moriarty, has taken up the work, the college should be ready for occupation within contract time.

Sincere regret was felt in Victoria when the death of the Very Rev. Dean Nelan, P.P. of Colac, was announced. He had been ailing for two months, and was an inmate of St. Evan's Private Hospital, East Melbourne. The late Dean Nelan was born in County Kerry on the 29th September, 1840, and was consequently in his 76th year. He entered the Foreign Missionary College of All Hallows', Dublin, in 1858, being ordained in June, 1863, and arrived in Melbourne in November of the same year. His first mission, as a young man of 23, was in South Gippsland, where he spent six months. He was then transferred to Carisbrook for a brief period, and was appointed to the Colac mission in 1864, never to leave it for the long period of 52 years.

Among the Australian officers who were decorated with the Legion of Honor for services on Gallipoli Peninsula was Major (temporary Lieutenant-Colonel) P. D. Fitzgerald, D.S.O., of the 11th Hussars. He is a son of the late Hon. N. Fitzgerald, K.S.G., M.L.C., of Melbourne. Colonel Fitzgerald was on the staff of the Cavalry Brigade at Ladysmith, and underwent the siege, winning the D.S.O. Till he was sent to the Dardanelles on the staff of the 2nd Mounted Expeditionary Division he was brigade-major of the First Cavalry Brigade at Aldershot. In 1914 Colonel Fitzgerald married Millicent, Duchess of Sutherland, mother of the present and widow of the late Duke. Colonel Fitzgerald received the fourth class, or cross of the grade of Officer of the Legion of Honor. Mr. Edward Fitzgerald, LL.D., of Chancery lane, Melbourne, is a brother of the Lieut.-Colonel.

The art union organised by the H.A.C.B. Society for our Catholic charities was, as we all know, a success, but it is probable that few will really realise the greatness of that success until they actually read the lengthy list of donations to Catholic institutions which the District Board has decided upon (says the *Freeman's Journal*). The following amounts have been distributed by the District Board:—Waitara Foundling Home, £45; St. Bridget's Orphanage, Ryde, £50; St. Michael's Boys' Orphanage, Baulkham Hills, £40; Institute Deaf and Dumb (Dominican Nuns, Waratah), £35; St. Joseph's Boys' Orphanage, Kincumber, £35; Sisters of Mercy Orphanage, Cowper (Lismore diocese), £20; Sisters of Mercy Orphanage, West Maitland, £30; Mater dei Orphanage, Narellan, £35; St. Vincent's Hospital, £35; Lewisham Hospital, £35; Sacred Heart Hospice for Dying, £35; St. Joseph's Hospital, Auburn, £30; Sacred Heart Hospital, Young, £30; Sisters of Mercy Orphanage, Newtown (Albury), £25; Mater Misericordiae Hospital, North Sydney, £20; Boys' Orphanage, South Goulburn, £25; Sisters of Mercy Girls' Orphanage, Bathurst, £25; St. Anne's Orphanage, Liverpool, £20; St. Joseph's Orphanage, Lane Cove road, £30; Orphanage for Girls, Kenmore (Goulburn), £35; St. Anne's Orphanage, Broken Hill, £15. Total amount distributed, £650.

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