

EPITAPH

(TO AN UNKNOWN BRITISH SOLDIER.)

Pause ye who pass beside this humble mound—
A prayer for him whose sacrifice hath found
A tomb unnamed,
Who gave his life, and 'neath this war-stained sod
Sleeps his last sleep—unknown, but by his God;
Unmourned—unclaimed.

Spare him a thought, who loved his land so well,
And for the cause of Freedom nobly fell
So brave—so young;
Perchance within this lowly mound is sealed
A deed of glory ne'er to be revealed
Unfamed—unsung.

Mark ye this cross unnamed upon his grave,
And of your sympathy a tear I crave
For those who wait—
Somewhere the light of hope still dimly burns,
And some sad loving heart in anguish yearns
Nor knows his fate.

— HAROLD GALLAGHER.

Dunedin.

WEDDING BELLS

GOLDEN WEDDING.

Two of the oldest, most respected, and best-known residents of Napier, in the persons of Mr. and Mrs. John Mahony, celebrated their golden wedding at Napier on November 4 last (writes a Napier correspondent). Mr. and Mrs. Mahony occupy the distinction of being one of the first couples to be married in Napier. The happy event took place at the Catholic Church here in 1866, the Rev. Father Forrest performing the ceremony. Mrs. Mahony was born at Castlegregory, County Kerry, Ireland, and came out in the ship Empress. Mr. Mahony, who is 81 years of age, is as hale and as hearty as ever, and is a typical example of the early pioneer. He landed in New Zealand in December, 1860. The 'gold fever' rush took him back to the old digging haunts at Bendigo. He was not satisfied with the 'results' there, and went on to America, returning later to Queensland. After investigating some claims there he went on to Dunedin, and thence to Napier in September of 1861. In this town Mr. Mahony has successfully carried on the carrying business to the present day. He was associated with the militia in the early days, and can trace the growth of the town from the few houses skirting an apparently hopeless swamp to the flourishing town it is to-day. November 4 was the occasion for a great celebration at the residence of the old couple in Thackeray street. At the afternoon gathering the Rev. Father O'Sullivan presided, while Rev. Fathers Goggan and Ainsworth called in during the day to offer their congratulations. In the evening there was a large gathering of friends, about 100 in number. Mr. W. J. McGrath, who presided, had associated with him Mr. M. Gleeson. The former proposed the toast of the old couple, and Mr. Gleeson also delivered a glowing tribute to the qualities of Mr. and Mrs. Mahony. Mr. Frank Mahony feelingly replied on behalf of his parents. The evening passed in a most enjoyable manner. The jubilarians received many congratulatory telegrams from all over the Dominion and Australia. The presents, which were numerous, included a handsome marble clock, the gift of old Napier residents, and a beautiful framed picture from the nuns of the local convent. A telegram regretting his unavoidable absence was read from the Mayor of Napier (Mr. J. Vigor Brown, M.P.)

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PIUS X.'s ANNIVERSARY

A second year has rolled by since the Pope whom a simple slab on his tomb describes as 'rich and poor, meek and humble of heart,' left his sorrowing children; and his memory has not suffered. On Sunday (writes the Rome correspondent of the *Irish Catholic* of September 2), the anniversary of the death of Pius X., several Masses were offered on the altar beside the tomb in one of the crypts of St. Peter's. His sister and niece were present, as well as a goodly number of the Roman nobility. The good Roman faithful flocked to the tomb, but as the entrance to the crypt was closed at an early hour most of them had to content themselves with a visit to the little bronze cross on the floor of the Basilica which marks the spot under which the Pope is buried. It is touching to note the reverence with which the spot is kissed. Flowers were also thrown on it last Sunday by those who could not find admission to the crypt to deposit them on the tomb. It is not an unusual thing at any time to see people devoutly praying on this spot. I once heard a French lady remark: 'We do not come here to pray for Pius X.; we come here to say "Glory be to the Father." For is not this the Pope whose last words were, "I was born poor. I have lived poor, I wish to die poor"?' The Solemn Requiem in memory of Pope Pius has been postponed to November 5.

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