

### MUSIC EXAMINATIONS

In the theoretical examinations held last December in connection with Trinity College (London) the following pupils of the Sisters of Mercy, St. Mary's Convent, Ponsonby, Auckland, were successful:—Ethel Sharp, art of teaching, 60; rudiments, 61 (A.T.C.L.). Louisa Harris, art of teaching, 60; rudiments, 61 (A.T.C.L.). Eileen O'Brien, art of teaching, 60; rudiments, 70.

The following pupils of St. Leo's Convent, Devonport (conducted by the Sisters of Mercy), were successful:—Intermediate Grade—Winifred Mulvay, 68. Preparatory Grade (honors)—Phyllis Mowat, 100; Lillian Lawes, 99; Sybil Wilson, 90; Wilfred Tanner, 81.

Convent of Mercy, Te Aroha.—Miss Ella O. Phillips, art of teaching, 70; rudiments, 76 (L.T.C.L., L.A.B.). Intermediate Grade Honors—Doris Johnson, 96; Dulcie Chalton, 86. Junior Grade Honors—Doris File, 96. Preparatory Grade Honors—Mary Corcoran, 89; pass, Thelma Carwell-Cook, 79.

### OBITUARY

SISTER RAYMOND (SMYTH), NEWTON,  
AUCKLAND.

The death of Sister Raymond, Provincial of the Order of St. Joseph in New Zealand, which occurred at St. Benedict's Convent, Newton, on Friday, May 4, has occasioned widespread sorrow. The late religious was born in Adelaide, South Australia, and was the first of the Order to come to New Zealand, arriving at Temuka 36 years ago. She spent nineteen useful years at Temuka and then removed to Auckland, where she subsequently resided. The deceased, who was of a most kindly and lovable disposition, labored unceasingly during her lengthy period in New Zealand, and until recently overtaken by illness, was actively engaged in teaching in the schools of St. Benedict's parish. She was present at almost every foundation of her Order in the Dominion, and was dearly loved and respected by her Sisters in religion, many of whom were her former pupils in their school days. By her saintly character, educational talents, and tireless industry, the late Sister Raymond made numerous friends, and endeared herself to all with whom she came in contact. The illness which terminated in her death was of very brief duration, and although her demise was not unexpected, her loss to the community will be sorely felt, and the notification of her death will come as a shock to her many friends in Australia and in the Dominion. She received the constant ministrations of the Right Rev. Mgr. Gillan, V.G., and of the Rev. Father Forde during her illness. Sincere sympathy is extended to the Sisters of St. Joseph and to the sorrowing relatives of the deceased religious. R.I.P.

### COMMERCIAL

Messrs. Stronach, Morris, and Co., Ltd., report for week ended Tuesday, May 8, 1917, as follows:—

Rabbitskins.—We held our fortnightly sale yesterday, when we submitted a small catalogue to the usual attendance of buyers. Competition was keen and prices were inclined to be a shade firmer than those quoted in our last report. Winter does, to 41½d; winter bucks, to 34½d; autumn, to 28½d; racks, to 17d; light racks, to 16d; spring bucks, to 16½d; spring does, to 15½d; small, to 11d; horsehair, to 17d per lb.

Oats.—The market still remains quiet and very few oats are offering. Prime milling, 3s 7d to 3s 8d; good to best feed, 3s 6d to 3s 7d; inferior to medium, 3s 3d to 3s 5d per bushel (sacks extra).

Wheat.—All milling lines offering are readily taken

at the fixed Government prices. There are a few lines of best whole fowl wheat offering, and these are taken at from 5s 6d to 5s 8d; inferior, 4s 6d to 5s 3d per bushel (sacks extra).

### DEATH OF THE ARCHBISHOP OF MELBOURNE

Profound sorrow will be widely felt at the death of the illustrious Archbishop of Melbourne, the Most Rev. Thomas Joseph Carr, D.D., who passed peacefully to his eternal reward on Sunday evening, at the Archbishop's Palace, Melbourne. The deceased prelate was born in County Galway, Ireland, in 1840. After a distinguished ecclesiastical education, he was ordained priest in 1866, and rapidly rose, through his brilliant attainments, until he was consecrated Bishop of Galway on August 26, 1883. He occupied the See until September 29, 1886, when he was appointed successor to the late Archbishop Gould of Melbourne. On the occasion of the celebration of the Archbishop's silver jubilee in 1911, the Pope conferred on Dr. Carr marked distinction by appointing him Assistant to the Pontifical Throne. He was a keen dialectician, and took part in many newspaper controversies on matters affecting the Catholic Church. Transferred from the ancient See of Galway, he arrived in Melbourne on the first anniversary of the death of his predecessor in the Archbishopric of Melbourne. Three years after his arrival he



undertook the great task of completing St. Patrick's Cathedral. A sum of £100,000 was in 1889 required to carry out the original design (exclusive of the towers). What followed may be judged by the fact that on October 31, 1897, the Cathedral was consecrated free of debt.

To enumerate all the notable achievements of the illustrious Archbishop during his lengthy episcopate would fill a bulky volume. He was a prolific writer, his most notable later-day effort being *Lectures and Replies*, a standard work of inestimable value on the Church and its teachings.

The late Archbishop frequently visited New Zealand, and officiated in connection with the ceremonies of laying the foundation stone and dedication of the Christchurch Cathedral, and was a close friend of the late Bishop Grimes.