PEOPLE WE HEAR ABOUT

Most Rev. Dr. Aelen, Archbishop of Madras, has been nominated by the Government of the Presidency to a seat in the Madras Legislative Council.

Rev. Theobald Butler, the oldest Jesuit in the New Orleans province, died recently at the College of St. Stanislaus, in Macon, Ga. He was in his eightyseventh year. Father Butler was a native of Tipperary and a cousin of the gallant Sir William Butler.

It has pleased the Holy Father to bestow the title of Doctor of Philosophy on Mr. Alfred Herbert, who since 1904 has held the responsible post of Prefect of Studies in St. Edmund's College, Old Hall. The honor comes as an acknowledgment of the by no means usual position in which Mr. Herbert, a layman, has done such effective work for the Diocesan Seminary of Westminster.

It is a well-deserved honor which has been conferred on Mgr. W. L. Keatinge, C.M.G., of being promoted to the rank of Brigadier-General, on his appointment as principal chaplain to the British forces at Salonika. Mgr. Keatinge, at the beginning of the European war was made senior Catholic chaplain to the British Expeditionary Forces, and in 1915 received his C.M.G., also being mentioned in dispatches.

The Dominican Order lost one of its oldest members in this country when the Very Rev. Charles II. McKenna, O.P., died at Jacksonville, Fla., in his 83rd year. He was one of the greatest missionaries of the Order in America, and founded the Holy Name Society, the membership of which now aggregates upward of a million and a-half. The remains were brought to New York for the Solemn Requiem and interment.--R.I.P.

Rev. Jean Le Grande, S.M., of the Church of Notre Dame des Victoires, South End, Boston, observed the golden jubilee of his ordination on December 27. Father Le Grande was born on December 27, 1836, in Bretagne, France. The studied in the seminary of St. Breieuc and was ordained there on December 27, 1866. Two years later he joined the Marist Order and for some time was engaged as a teacher in schools and colleges in France. The came to the Unifed States 25 years ago.

The Rev. Daniel Quinn is an American, a Catholic, and, above all, a devoted priest. He is a linguist also -head of the Leonine College at Athens, Greece. In the ten years he has passed in sight of the Acropolis Father Quinn has had few lonesome hours -for even in that land the ubiquitous Celt is in evidence. Several years ago Father Quinn took a vacation on the Island of Cephalonia, one of the seven Ionian islands off the west cost of Greece. One day while wandering over the island he came upon an institution of learning for Father Quinn was invited in by the Sister women. Superior, whose name proved to be Murphy. She was reading a history of the Irish race written in Greek. Father Quinn continued his journey to the principal town of the island. There he found that the leading merchant and exporter was a man named O'Toole, of Irish extraction, who spoke no other language than Greek.

The Archdiocese of New York lost one of its most learned men when Rev. Remy Lafort died at the convent of the Missionary Sisters of the Third Order of St. Francis at Peekskill, N.Y., where he was stationed as spiritual director. Father Lafort was born in Belgium sixty-one years ago. In 1882 he came to the United States to accept the professorship of Sacred Scripture in St. Joseph's Theological Seminary, then at Troy, When St. Joseph's Seminary was changed to N.Y. Dunwoodie, in the Archdiocese of New York, Father Lafort continued, for a time, to teach Sacred Scripture When his health failed a year later, at the Seminary. he was sent to the Franciscan convent at Peekskill, as assistant to the chaplain. In 1898, he was appointed examiner of books for the Archdiocese of New York. Right Rev. Bishop Hayes, of New York City, was in the sanctuary during the funeral Mass, which was celebrated by Right Rev. Mgr. John Edwards, of New

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York City. The eulogy was preached by Rev. William Livingston, Rector of St. Gabriel's Church, New York City, one of Father 'Lafort's first pupils.

Reefton

(From our own correspondent.)

May 3. The many friends of the Rev. Father Galerne, S.M., pastor of Reefton, will regret to learn of his ill health, and is at present undergoing treatment in Christchurch.

The funeral of the late Rev. Mother Regis, on Thursday, May 3, was one of the largest ever seen in Reefton. A long line of motor cars conveyed mourners from all parts of the Coast to follow the remains to their Sisters of Mercy (Sisters in religion of resting place. the deceased Rev. Mother) came from Hokitika, Greymouth, and Westport. High Requiem Mass was cele-brated by the Right Rev. Mgr. Walshe (Westport), those assisting thereat being the Very Rev. Dean Carew, S.M. (Greymouth), Rev. Fathers Eccleton, S.M., Peoples, S.M., Minogue, S.M., and Seward. The Very Rev. Dean Carew, in an impressive panegyric on the deceased, referred in terms of highest appreciation to the excellent qualities of, and enduring good work accomplished by the deceased religious in Reefton and Westport, where she was the pioneer of the convents. Twenty-six years ago a photo of the convent building (the worst in New Zealand) was sent to Singleton (Australia) asking them if they could see their way to send a community to Reefton. The deceased lady gave up a beautiful climate and a prosperous home, as also did her brothers and her three other sisters for the salvation of souls. She trusted in God and the generosity of the people to build up a suitable convent, in the Reefton parish. After a few short years she had the finest building and grounds in the town. She also opened a convent and college in Westport. The Reverend Mother Regis was a most talented lady in all branches of life, the personification of charity ; visiting the sick and hospital was her pleasure. Her work in Reefton and Westport would live after her, and the children now growing up would revere the memory of one who at all times had their welfare at heart. At two o'clock, the hour appointed for the funeral and subsequent interment, the church was again crow-The Rev. Father Eccleton, who officiated, said ded. that although the large attendance was a great mark of respect shown to the deceased religious, and as such much appreciated by the Sisters who sorely mourned their loss, the prayers of all were solicited for the departed as being the most efficacious tribute they could offer. The procession left the church headed by the Sisters and Children of Mary. The children and gen-eral public and a long line of motor-cars and other vehicles followed the hearse to the suburban cemetery, where the remains of a saintly woman who had spent

her life in benefiting others were laid to rest. The "Dead March" from "Saul" was played by Mrs. Berti (organ) and Mr. J. Anderson, as the remains were borne from the church.—R.I.P.

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