

**M.B.O.B. ASSOCIATION, CHRISTCHURCH**

The annual meeting of the Marist Brothers' Old Boys' Association Football Club, was held on Thursday evening, March 14, the Rev. Brother Palladius presiding over a fair attendance. The report submitted by the secretary (Mr. P. Greenlees), stated that last season had been a successful one both from a playing and a financial standpoint. The club had during the year been considerably weakened by the departure of men who were now doing their duty with the reinforcements for King and Country, and many of the boys had made the supreme sacrifice. A motion of condolence with those who had lost their lives at the front was carried in silence, the members standing. The balance sheet, which was adopted, showed receipts amounting to £39 13s 10d, and expenditure of £36 3s 6d, leaving a balance in hand of £3 10s 4d. Correspondence was received from the Canterbury Rugby Union with regard to the proposed programme of matches for the coming year. The sub-committee appointed by the union to go into the question had suggested that the ordinary competitions be again suspended, and in place thereof the following be held:— (1) First Grade competition, open to members of clubs irrespective of age; (2) Second Grade (open); (3) Third Grade (open); (4) Fourth Grade, for players who have not reached their sixteenth birthday on April 1, 1918. The union also recommends that more attention be given to the coaching of younger players. It was decided that the club's delegates to the Rugby Union be given a free hand to act in these matters.

Officers for the ensuing year are as follows:— Patron, his Lordship Dr. Brodie; president, Sir Geo. Clifford; vice-presidents—Rev. Dr. Kennedy, Rev. Fathers Price and Long, Dr. Morkane, Messrs. W. Rodgers, J. Power, T. Cabill, Geo. Payne, J. R. Hayward, S. Flood, D. J. Shea, M. Garty, and O. McGough; chairman and club captain, Rev. Brother Palladius; deputy captain, Mr. J. C. Mullins; secretary, Mr. P. Greenlees; treasurer, Mr. G. Dobbs; committee—Messrs E. Fitzgerald, T. Gee, B. Flood, D. McCormack, and J. McQuillan.

The chairman extended a hearty welcome to their old player, Mr. J. C. Mullins, who had returned from the front and was ready again to don the green jersey. Replying to the warm reception accorded him, this popular player referred to the number of clubmates he had met and played with when on active service, and assured members that all were upholding the very best traditions of the club. A special vote of thanks was accorded to the *Tablet* for the kindly treatment extended to the club in its columns during the past season.

**FEATHERSTON CAMP**

A most enjoyable concert was given at the Military Camp, Featherston, on Tuesday evening, March 19. Those who contributed to a well-selected programme were:—Mrs. Bailey, Miss Barry (Wellington), Miss Spellman (Palmerston North), Miss Redmond, Miss Berrill, Miss Quinn (Carterton), Rev. Father Fitzgibbon (Upper Hutt), Private Poppelwell, and Madame Foley's troupe of dancers (Featherston). Owing to unforeseen circumstances the concert could not be held in the Catholic Institute, as was intended. Through the courtesy of Chaplain Carter, the Salvation Army Institute was made use of on the occasion. By way of thanks, the chairman, Rev. Father (Chaplain) Duffy, called for three cheers from the men, and the hearty way in which they responded amply showed the visitors that their efforts to entertain the soldiers had been highly appreciated.

**SMIFF UP, GARGLE or SWALLOW** Butcher personally  
: recommends :  
**FLUENZOL** Fluenzol—1/6, 2/6  
: Mr. Girling :.

**WEDDING BELLS****DALY—McGRATH.**

A pretty wedding took place at St. Patrick's Cathedral, Auckland, on January 30, the contracting parties being Mary, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. McGrath, of Ramsgrange, Wexford, Ireland, and John Daly, youngest son of Mr. M. Daly, Riverstown, Cork, Ireland. The Rev. Father W. Murphy officiated and celebrated the Nuptial Mass. The bride, who was conducted to the altar by Mr. P. Colvin, wore a becoming gown of white embroidered voile; her veil was arranged in cap fashion, with a coronet of orange blossoms. She carried a shower bouquet of choice white flowers, which, with a diamond pendant, were gifts of the bridegroom. Miss E. Kiely, who attended as bridesmaid, was tastefully attired in a pretty dress of white silk and white chip hat. Her shower bouquet of white carnations and gold brooch were gifts of the bridegroom. Mr. E. Ashby attended as best man. After the ceremony the guests adjourned to Buchanan's Tea Rooms, where the wedding breakfast was partaken of. Rev. Father Murphy presided, and the usual toasts were proposed and honored. Both bride and bridegroom received many valuable and useful presents. Later in the day the happy couple left by train for the south, the bride travelling in a navy serge costume with a grey crepe-de-chine hat.

**HAYES—McCABE.**

A wedding that occasioned much interest was solemnised at St. Michael's Church, Palmerston South, on Wednesday, February 6, when Mr. Francis Hayes, elder son of Mr. and Mrs. John Hayes, of South Dunedin (formerly of Moonlight, Otago Central), was united in the bonds of holy Matrimony to Miss Hannah McCabe, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John McCabe, of Palmerston. The Rev. Father Kavanagh officiated, and celebrated the Nuptial Mass. As the bridal party entered the church the organist (Mrs. J. Spillane) played a march, also the music of the Mass, and the "Wedding March" at the conclusion of the ceremony. The bride, who was given away by her father, was attired in a dress of ivory duchesse satin, with beautifully worked sprays and pearl trimmings, the court train being worked with true lovers' knots, clusters of orange blossoms, and lined with Jap. silk. She wore a beautiful worked veil and a wreath of orange blossoms, and carried a bouquet of white roses and maiden-hair fern. The bridesmaid (Miss Elizabeth McCabe, sister of the bride) was attired in silver grey taffeta, black hat relieved with pink, and carried a bouquet of pink carnations and maiden-hair fern. The train-bearer (Miss Ellen Troy, niece of the bride) was prettily attired in white silk. Mr. John Hayes attended his brother as best man. The bridegroom's present to the bride was a gold wristlet watch, and to the bridesmaid a gold pendant, while the train-bearer received a gold brooch. After the ceremony the guests adjourned to the residence of the bride's parents, where the wedding breakfast was held. The Rev. Father Kavanagh presided, and the usual toasts were duly honored. The happy couple were the recipients of many useful and costly presents, among which were several cheques, which bore testimony to the high esteem in which both were held. In the afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Hayes left for the Southern Lakes, where the honeymoon was spent. The bride's travelling costume was of brown gabardine with hat to match.

**GISBORNE CONVENT SUCCESSES**

As a result of the Pitman's shorthand examination held last December in connection with the Melbourne examining department, the following pupils of St. Mary's School have gained certificates:—  
Speed (80 words per minute) Irene Fletcher.  
Theory.—Nora Neenan, Irene Fletcher, Ellen Nolan, Gwen Doyle, Gladys Fanning.