

land as a member of the 27th Reinforcements, being attached to the Medical Corps. He arrived in France just before Christmas of last year, and was wounded outside Ypres. He was then removed to the 27th General Hospital, France, and was later transferred to a convalescent institution in that country. He was again removed from this line to the Brockenhurst Hospital. A few months ago he embarked for New Zealand. Later news was to the effect that his death had occurred at sea. Prior to enlisting, Private Butler was in the Customs Department, Wellington, at which place he had been employed for about twelve months. He was born in Ireland, and many years ago came to Australia. Subsequently he arrived in New Zealand. His stepson, Gunner W. M. Neylon, who went away with the 10th Reinforcements, was wounded, and returned recently to Wellington.—R.L.P.

## Diocesan News

### ARCHDIOCESE OF WELLINGTON

(From our own correspondent.)

June 29.

St. Mary of the Angels' Church rebuilding fund is being slowly augmented, but Father Mahony is anxious that all those who intend donating will send their donations, however small, quickly. The committee promoting the bazaar in aid of the building fund met again last Wednesday, Father Hoare, S.M., presiding. Excellent progress was reported, and the Queen tickets were circulated. The different stallholders are organising various forms of entertainment in order to provide the necessary funds for stocking the stalls.

The Dominion treasurer of the Catholic Field Service Fund begs to acknowledge the receipt of the following additional donations to the Catholic Field Service Fund:—Amount previously acknowledged, £3454 14s 1d; Christchurch Diocesan Council, St. Mary's Manchester Street, Christchurch, £102 11s 11d; St. Patrick's Sewing Guild, Waimate, £3 12s 4d; Temuka, £15; Wellington Diocesan Council, Napier, £81; Masterton, £71 16s 6d; New Plymouth (8th instalment), £6 7s 3d; Woodville (3rd instalment), £3 7s 2d; Mr. F. J. Oakes (6th instalment), £1; total, £3742 9s 3d. Less expenditure as previously detailed, £2941 9s. Balance at credit, £801 0s 3d.

The dignity of Dean has been conferred on Father T. McKenna, of Pahiatua, who celebrates the jubilee of his ordination this year.

A successful progressive euchre party was held at Mrs. Rafter's residence at Brooklyn on last Thursday evening, organised by a band of Catholic ladies for the purpose of furthering that suburb's interest in the coming bazaar in aid of the rebuilding fund of St. Mary of the Angels' Church. The Brooklyn parish has been allotted a stall, and with a view to raising funds the committee is anxious to make every effort to provide articles for sale at their stall. The winners of the euchre competition were Mrs. Parlane and Mrs. Evans, Mr. Jennings and Master Harry McKeown. Songs and dancing concluded the evening's enjoyment.

Mr. L. T. Reichel, who has been in indifferent health for some time past, has, on the advice of his medical attendant, gone to Sydney, where the warm climate, it is hoped, will restore him to health. He is accompanied by Mrs. Reichel.

If the standard of play in the game Marist v. Y.M.C.A., at the Association Park on Saturday, is an indication of what may be expected later in the season when team members have settled down to each other's play, Association football will gain many more admirers before the end of the football year. The game was thoroughly interesting, and was throughout clean and willing. Marists' forwards showed very good com-

bination, which won the game for them, but if Y.M.C.A. fell behind somewhat in that respect, their backs evened matters considerably and kept the scoring low by a splendid defence.

Dean Power (Hawera) is to deliver the occasional discourse at the Federation Mass in St. Anne's Church, Newtown, on Thursday morning, July 11, prior to the opening of the annual meeting of the Wellington Diocesan Council.

### Napier

(From our own correspondent.)

June 28.

In the Primary Schools' Rugby Football Competitions, which commenced on Saturday, June 15, the Marist Brothers' School met and defeated Port Ahuriri School by 25 points to nil. On Saturday, June 22, the Napier Main School was met and defeated by 33 points to nil, and on Wednesday, June 26, the Napier High School team were defeated by 31 points to nil. In addition to these three victories by the Marist Brothers' School team the Old Boys' team in the Fourth Grade competition met and defeated the High School by 14 points to 3, and the Third Grade team met and defeated M.A.C. by 8 points to nil.

Master Max Eales, a pupil of the Marist Brothers, who holds the Cotteril Cup, won the gold medal allocated by the Royal Life-saving Association to the "best boy" in Hawke's Bay under 14 years of age. The second and third places were also filled by boys from the Marist Brothers' School. Mr. J. V. Brown, M.P., accompanied by Mr. King (representing the New Zealand Swimming Association), and Mr. McLean (representing the local centre), visited the school recently to present the gold medal to Master Eales. The head master (Brother Paul) introduced the gentlemen to the boys. In making the presentation Mr. Brown said that the championship races this year were the most closely contested he had ever witnessed, and urged all the boys to do as their champion had done: "to put plenty of ginger into all they did, whether at sport, in school, or in the battle of life." By so doing they must surely succeed. He congratulated Master Eales and the school, remarking that the success of a pupil always reflected credit on his school. Mr. King, in a brief address, explained that there were two kinds of championships—Dominion and local,—and he hoped that the Hawke's Bay "reps." at next year's meeting would bring back the Dominion championship to Napier. Cheers for Mr. Brown and the Swimming Association officials closed the proceedings.

In addition to the £81 raised for the Catholic Field Service Fund by the concert held in Napier on St. Patrick's Day last, a further sum of £70 is now available as a result of the efforts of the Napier Orphans' Club, under whose auspices a concert was given in the Municipal Theatre on Sunday evening last by the members of the Dick Whittington Pantomime Company.

### DIOCESE OF AUCKLAND

(From our own correspondent.)

June 28.

His Lordship the Bishop is to officiate at the ceremony of laying the foundation stone of the new wing of St. Benedict's Convent, on Sunday afternoon next at 3 p.m. The new wing will be an attractive addition to the convent, and is being erected as a memorial to the late lamented Sister Raymond, Superior of St. Joseph's Order in New Zealand.

The Rev. Father Bleakley, who has been appointed chaplain to a hospital ship, leaves here on Tuesday evening next.

The bazaar and sale of work organised for the purpose of liquidating the expenses incurred in connection with the transfer of the Catholic Women's Hostel to new premises last year, and the consequent