

mittee, Mesdames Barrett, Prendergast, Cotter, W. Hayward, Watson, Kingan, Blackaby, F. J. Doolan, and Miss M. Harrington.

The secretary (Miss W. Harrington), who in the course of a couple of months is giving up office, was made the recipient of a cheque in recognition of her valuable services. Mrs. Harper, on behalf of the management, requested Dean Regnault to make this presentation and in doing so the president eulogised Miss Harrington, and wished her a happy future. The Girls' Club Report and Balance Sheet was then presented, and disclosed very satisfactory positions.

The membership was 129 and through the club's efforts £74 had been raised at the garden fete, they had assisted at for the benefit of Mt. Magdala, and for Nazareth House. The members had also paid for a piano for their own use, and still had a balance to their credit of £6 2s 7d. Very Rev. Dr. Kennedy, in referring to the balance sheet thanked the girls for their active interest in parochial works, and congratulated the secretary (Miss Minnie O'Connor) on her devotion and energy.

Mr. J. McNamara, speaking in support of Very Rev. Dr. Kennedy's remarks, emphasised the fact that the club's activity in this regard had far-reaching effects, and enabled the members to come in contact with hundreds of girls in and around the city. He commended the club work in a very special manner to the house committee. Dean Regnault also spoke on the great scope for moral good that lay open to the club portion of the institution.

Miss M. O'Connor was re-elected secretary, and the following ladies a committee: Misses Celia O'Connor, B. Foley, A. Ryan, C. Mullins, Hilda and Vera Harrington, Connie O'Connor, J. Gregan, K. Cronin, and Dransfield.

Mrs. G. Harper moved a vote of thanks to Very Rev. Dean Regnault, and Very Rev. Dr. Kennedy, which was carried by acclamation.

ARCHDIOCESE OF WELLINGTON

(From our own correspondent.)

May 3.

The Rev. Brother Bowler, Superior of the Christian Brothers, Dunedin, was in Wellington this week, and had a conference with the members of the Dominion Executive on matters connected with the Federation scholarship proposals.

In a letter recently to hand from Chaplain-Father Segrief, acknowledging a remittance, through the Field Service Fund, of £40 from the Catholics of Palmerston North, he says: "These grants of money have been of the greatest possible service to the chaplains, who, by means of them have been able to provide many comforts for the lads, and also to relieve many cases of distress."

A most successful bazaar and sale of work was opened last Wednesday by his Grace Archbishop Redwood, in the Sydney Street, Schoolroom. The function was organised by a strong committee under the direction of Father Smyth, S.M., Adm., and the proceeds are to be devoted to the suburban portions of the Thorndon parish. Considerable excitement is occasioned each evening by the tug-of-war competitions, for which 16 entries have been received.

A very successful mission is being conducted by Fathers J. E. Ainsworth and T. J. McCarthy, Marist Missioners, at St. Joseph's Church, Buckle Street. The spacious church is altogether too small to accommodate those who are anxious to attend. Every night, seats in the sanctuary, and in the choir and aisles, have to be provided. The early Masses are also well attended, and the number of communicants is rapidly increasing as the mission proceeds. This, in itself, is the greatest tribute to the work of the missioners. In this church congregational singing is encouraged and the large congregations taking part, aided by the Marist Brothers' Choir, make the services most devotional.

This month, there will be a conference of the Superiors of the N.Z. Catholic boys' secondary schools and colleges at which matters in connection with the Catholic Federation Scholarship proposals will be discussed. The Federation is financing the scheme, but it is for the heads of the schools to come to the necessary arrangements regarding the examinations to be conducted. The Catholic colleges affected will be St. Patrick's College, Wellington; Sacred Heart College, Auckland; Holy Cross College, Mosgiel; St. Bede's College, Christchurch; Christian Brothers' Collegiate, Dunedin.

The Thomas Moore Anniversary Musical Festival Executive met at the Federation Rooms last evening, Mr. F. J. Oakes presiding. The secretary reported that entries had been received from the Marist Brothers' Schools, Newtown, and Thorndon; Sacred Heart Convent, Island Bay; Parish School, Petone, (conducted by the Sisters of the Mission); and the Convent of Mercy Schools, Kilbirnie and Thorndon. The entries received assure a most interesting competition. There will be three choir competitions for which three shields will be awarded. There will be six solo competitions, two duet competitions, and two elocutionary competitions. The winners of the competitions will contribute to the first part of the programme at the annual Moore concert in the large Town Hall on Wednesday, May 28. The competitions will take place at the Concert Chamber of the Town Hall, on Saturday, May 24.

The following letter has been received by the Dominion Executive of the Catholic Federation from Surgeon-General Henderson in appreciation of the work which the Federation was able to accomplish through the Field Service Fund:

Dept. of Defence Headquarters Office,
Wellington, April 24, 1919.

Dear Sir,

On departure from New Zealand it is my earnest wish that there should be conveyed to the executive of your Federation my indebtedness for their valuable assistance given in connection with the well-being of our sick and wounded soldiers undergoing treatment in New Zealand.

The functions of your military institutions, their far reaching and uplifting effect, form a most important function in hospital treatment, and it is a great pleasure for me to realise that your generous self-sacrificing work in this sphere will still be continued and carried on in conjunction with our military hospitals.

Yours sincerely,

(Signed) R. S. F. HENDERSON,
Surgeon-General.

Director-General of Medical Services.

The Secretary,
N.Z. Catholic Federation,
Wellington.

Attention to detail is the secret of success in every sphere of life, and little kindnesses, little acts of consideration, little appreciations, little confidences, are all that most of us are called on to perform, but they are all that are needed to keep on a friendship sweet.—Hugh Black.

TO OUR READERS.

Attention is drawn to the advertisement on page 16 of this issue of the *Tablet*. Mr. Geo. Burton, Importer, Stuart Street, Dunedin, is offering through our columns splendid values in Boot Repairing Outfits. No household should be without a set. With their aid the cost in repair bills is saved many times over in the first twelve months. All accessories are likewise stocked, such as Leather, Knives, Lasts, Hammers, Sprigs, Heel Plates, Rubber Heels, Boot Ink, Wax, etc. Remember BURTON'S and order a set to-day.—Advt.

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