

ideals for which St. Francis lived and labored. Such ideals were needed in the world at present. An able architect, who had caught some of the spirit of the past, had designed the building. The Archbishop congratulated him and his partner on their work, and felt sure that the contractor and his men would carry out the architect's ideas. In the past men working on such buildings took a pride in the work, knowing, as they did, that they were assisting somewhat in bettering the world. Should such sentiments inspire all who had an interest in the work, the building of the church should be carried to completion in all its beautiful proportions.

The Rev. Father Mahony, parish priest of St. Mary's, thanked the people for their past generosity and encouragement, and hoped that the occasion would be a real red-letter day in the matter of donations—that the subscriptions would total such an amount as would warrant the carrying out of the building of St. Mary's to completion. The collection then taken up, together with donations forwarded, amounted to the magnificent total of a little over £1300—a sum that would have been greatly increased had not the weather been so unpropitious.

The following attest, with newspapers and current coins of the realm, was placed in a cavity behind the foundation stone:—

Hunc lapidem primarium huius Ecclesiae,  
Sub invocatione Sanctae Mariae de Angelis,  
Benedicto XV. Divina Providentia Papa,  
Georgio V. Britanniae Rege,  
"Liverpool" e nobilitate Britannica comite,  
has insulas gubernante,  
Stanislas Mahony S.M. parociae rectore,  
Illius et Revmus Thomas, Gortinensis, Archiepus  
cleri populiq. magno concursu stipatus,  
anno pacis restitutae, post bellum  
omnium memoria hominum maximum finitum.

The exterior of what will be a magnificent edifice, as may be judged by the fine illustration of it which we gave in the *Tablet* on October 30, is decidedly striking—especially the facade towards Willis Street, which consists of a high gabled wall containing a large rose or wheel window, and flanked by two four-storied pinnacled towers rising to a height above the pavement of 106 feet. The two upper storeys of these towers will have open tracery sides, while at the front and outside angles will be square turrets containing the circular staircase giving access from the ground floor to the roof. Though these are suggestive of the famous Somersetshire towers of the 15th century, the turrets alter their character entirely, and in the position of the towers in relation to each other and to the main gable, the composition is most satisfactory. The side towards Boulcott Street, extending nearly 150 feet, presents a rich effect of aisle and clerestory windows, broken by the projecting confessionals and the large northern side chapel.

Inside, the building will have a roomy and spacious appearance. The main features are two long arcades of nine arches each. Above these is a series of panels suggesting the triforium of the earlier Gothic, while above all are the clerestory windows containing 113 lights, divided by mullions and surmounted by traceried heads. All the mandrills, both inside and out, are richly pannelled. The church is 33 feet wide between the arcades, and all the seating (excepting that of the chapels) is contained within the nave, so that each worshipper can have an uninterrupted view of the altar. The choir accommodation is provided for 400 will be in a gallery at the entrance end of the church.

As the church will be approximately 150 feet by 90 feet in width, it will rank among the largest sacred edifices of the Dominion, and its central position will make it among the best known. In material and design it will be about the first of its kind anywhere in the world, and consequently its erection should mark a new epoch in architectural progression.

The public, no doubt, will watch its progress with great interest, and its completion will be a source of gratification, not only to Catholics, but to all lovers of progressive architecture.

The fairest flowers of joy spring from the soil of sacrifice.

Whatever passes, Christ remains—"the same yesterday, to-day, and for ever"—the master light of all our seeing, the master thought of all our thinking, revealing the face of the Eternal Father, proclaiming the message of His love, attesting the fact of His forgiveness, imparting the sweetness of His peace, vanquishing death through His glorious resurrection, and with His pierced hand opening "the Kingdom of Heaven to all believers."

## CHURCH OF ST. ROCH, HANMER SPRINGS

The long-looked-for blessing of peace came to us well nigh 12 months ago, November, 1918. For more than four years the angel of death brought his message to thousands of homes. Thousands of our boys are buried in many lands. Their priests, careless of danger, stood by them, and through their ministrations prepared them to face death fearlessly. The blood of priests and boys flowed in the same stream, their last remains rest in the same grave. Their memory shall never die. The last words of St. Monica to her son St. Augustine would be, if possible, their last words to us: "Bury my body anywhere; I desire nothing but a remembrance at the altar of God."

I promise, each time I stand at God's altar in the Church of St. Roch during 1919 and 1920, to offer up the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass for all your friends who have died as a result of the war and the epidemic, also all your intentions.

I beg to acknowledge the following additional donations:—£2 2s each, Very Rev. Dean Regnault (Christchurch), Dr. Morkane (Christchurch). £1 each, Mrs. P. Daly (Hinds), Mr. P. F. Ryan (Woodons), Mr. and Mrs. T. Cronin (Timaru), Mrs. Fabling (30 Duncan Street, Kilbirnie, Wellington), C. Emery (Stonyhurst), Mrs. Tiripany (85 Jarrow Street, Invercargill), Mrs. K. (Kaikoura), Miss Fitzpatrick (Little River). 10s each, Friend (Hokitika), F. Nees (Makomako), Mr. P. Landers (St. Bathans). 5s 6d, Mrs. Goldie (44 Queen Street, Petone). 5s each, Mrs. Bethell (68 Hutt Road, Petone), Mrs. Farley (38 Hutt Road, Petone), J. R. (Dunedin), West Coaster (Kaiwairua, Featherston), E. H. E. and Family, J. J. Goulding, Tom Frazer, James Weight (Hanmer), Margaret McAleer (Waitohi, Temuka), M. J. Thompson (116 Knowles St., St. Albans, Christchurch). 3s, Miss B. Corcoran, 2nd don. (Haroape). 2s 6d, Client (Greymouth).

Donations will be acknowledged each week in the *Tablet*. Yours very gratefully,

Rev. J. P. O'Connor, Hawarden, Canterbury.

## REILLY'S CENTRAL PRODUCE MART

We report as follows:—Supplies of all spring vegetables are increasing. Rhubarb has a keen demand. Gooseberries are coming to hand freely. We handled 150 cases of tomatoes during the last week, and secured high prices. New potatoes are meeting a keen inquiry, and good values are being secured. There is a keen demand for oatsheaf chaff, prime fowl wheat, good A and B grade Garton oats, and for these lines we can secure extreme prices. We had a special line of onions from Tarras, Otago Central, which realised record prices. Poultry is short of requirements and urgently wanted. Young cockerels and ducklings have experienced a keen demand. Eggs have again advanced in price. Bacon pigs find a ready sale; we have customers who are waiting for supplies, and are assured of 11d per lb. Calf foods, chicken foods, McDougall's fruit tree wash, "Katakilla," strawberry punnets and crates, raspberry buckets, are meeting a good demand, and those wanting supplies should place their orders without delay. Late varieties of narcissi have sold remarkably well, 4s 6d to 9s per dozen being secured. Flowers: Narcissi (locals), 5s 6d to 9s 6d per dozen bunches. Apples: Nelson Sturmers, 22s 6d, 25s; Central Sturmers, 8d; Statesman, 8d; Rokewoods, 7d; Doughertys, 8d; French Crab, 6d per lb. Lemons: Californian "Mission" brand, 60s. Oranges: American "Sunkist," 50s. Bananas: Ripe, 42s 6d; green arrive Thursday. Rhubarb, to 2½d. Tomatoes: Locals and Christchurch, 3s to 3s 3d; Rarotongans, 1s 6d to 2s 3d per lb. Asparagus, 6s, 14s 9d per dozen bunches. Cucumber, 18s, 19s, 20s, 25s 6d. Cauliflowers, 8s to 22s 6d. Cabbages (scarce), 4s to 6s. Lettuce, 2s 6d, 4s 6d dozen. Potatoes: Prime locals (repacked), 12s; northern, 10s; new potatoes (locals), 9d, 9½d; Christchurch, 7d; Auckland, 5d per lb. Onions, specially prime, 35s. Carrots (scarce), choice tables, 22s 6d. Parsnips, 24s per cwt. Bacon (scarce): Rolls, 1s 5d; hams (scarce), 1s 6d. Pigs: Extra prime baconers, 10½d to 11d; heavy-weights, 10d; porkers, 10½d; choppers, 6d per lb. Eggs, guaranteed, 1s 10d per dozen. Honey (slow sale): Bulk, 7½d to 8d; 10lb tins, 7s 6d; sections, 12s 6d. Tea, specially selected, 2s 2d per lb. Egg crates, 12s 6d. Strawberry punnets, 59s per 100. Raspberry buckets, 44s per dozen. Linseed calf meal, 15s. Farro food, 19s per 200lb. Ceremilk calf food, 32s per 100lb, 16s 6d per 50lb, 8s 6d per 25lb. Southland "Cross Keys" meat meal, 20s. Rabbitskins: Sale Wednesday, 19th. Tallow: Sale Wednesday, 19th. Horsehair, 1s 4d to 1s 9d per lb. Bluestone, best quality, 79s per cwt. Black Leaf 40, 6s 2d per lb. McDougall's "Katakilla," 21s dozen. Fruit tree wash, 1s 9d a tin. Poultry: Hens, 5s 6d, 7s, 7s 6d, 7s 8d, 7s 10d, 8s, 8s 2d, 8s 4d per pair; cockerels, 5s 2d, 7s, and 17s 6d per pair.

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