

brose Mahon. During the evening his Grace Archbishop Mannix read a cable from Eamon de Valera, which aroused extraordinary enthusiasm. We propose to make next week's issue of the *Tablet* a special illustrated Convention Number, containing the various speeches in detail should the matter come to hand in time.

DIOCESE OF DUNEDIN

On next Sunday week (November 23), at St. Patrick's Basilica, South Dunedin, the Rev. F. Marlow, son of Mr. J. J. Marlow, Musselburgh, Dunedin, will be ordained to the priesthood by his Lordship Dr. Brodie, Bishop of Christchurch. On the same occasion his Lordship will raise to the diaconate Messrs. M. Klimeck, M. Shaw, and F. Skinner. All of the above are students of Holy Cross College, Mosgiel.

On the Feast of All Saints 90 first communicants approached the Holy Table in St. Patrick's Basilica, South Dunedin. Amongst the number were children from Caversham and Green Island, where catechetical instructions are given by the Sisters of Mercy on Saturdays. During Holy Mass, which was celebrated by Rev. Father Delany, appropriate hymns were sung, and the prayers of preparation and thanksgiving recited aloud by the children. After Mass, as is the custom on these occasions, the happy little ones were entertained to breakfast by the nuns and the ladies of the St. Vincent de Paul Society (South Dunedin branch). Through the kindness of Miss Heffernan (South Dunedin), each child received a pretty souvenir of the memorable day.

At the weekly practice of St. Joseph's Cathedral Choir on Thursday evening last Mr. and Mrs. F. Woods were conjointly presented, on the occasion of their wedding, with a handsome and elaborate liqueur stand, silver-mounted and inscribed. In making the presentation, Mr. H. Poppelwell (hon. secretary of the choir) eulogised the services of the recipients in their devotion to choir duties, and hoped they would long continue as members. Mr. Woods, in thanking the members, on behalf of Mrs. Woods and himself, for their beautiful gift, said they would do all in their power to further the interests of the choir. After cheers had been given and "They Are Jolly Good Fellows" had been sung, the rest of the evening was devoted to music, a number of pleasing items being contributed.

FAREWELL TO MRS. M. A. JACKSON.

A large number of friends of Mrs. M. A. Jackson, who intends leaving by the *Remuera* on a holiday visit to the Home Land, met last week in the lounge of the Savoy Tea Rooms to wish her *bon voyage*. The Mayor (Mr. W. Begg) presided. During the evening an enjoyable musical and elocutionary programme was contributed to by: Mrs. Mee (piano solo), Mrs. L. Forrest, Misses Dillon and Wilson, Messrs. D. and F. Fogarty, T. Hussey, Graham, and M. Coughlan (songs), Miss Heley and Miss L. Foster (recitations), Mr. and Mrs. Mee (vocal duets), and Mr. J. Deaker (humorous items). Mrs. Mee was accompanist.

The Mayor, in presenting Mrs. Jackson with a handbag and a purse of sovereigns, expressed his pleasure at being present, and said they all regretted that Mrs. Jackson had found it necessary to leave Dunedin for about six months. He understood that she required a complete rest, and to that end she would travel far afield in order to recuperate her health. Mrs. Jackson was one of the mothers of our city. He was acquainted with her work and that of the lady members of the Hospital Board, and he was quite sure that the public did not fully appreciate this at its real value. They had to attend to cases and get information of a confidential character that the male members of the board could not get. In this particular work Mrs. Jackson had proved herself an adept. He wished her a pleasant voyage and a safe return, and hoped that her health and vigor would be renewed.

Very Rev. Father Coffey eulogised Mrs. Jackson's service in charitable work. The people did not realise what she had been willing to do or what she had done. She was truly a great charitable worker, and there were hundreds of people in and around Dunedin who owed her a deep debt of gratitude. On behalf of the priests of the city, he desired to thank Mrs. Jackson for her great services to them. She had frequently been entrusted with the most confidential inquiries, but she had invariably proved herself worthy of the confidence reposed in her. A great feature of her services to the community was the fact that all her work had been done gratis. Her place would be hard to fill during her absence, and he hoped

that she would soon come back fit and well to resume her duties. Referring to the charitable work in the city, Father Coffey said it was carried on in a most efficient manner and without friction of any kind, and with an entire absence of overlapping. The city was indeed fortunate in having such charitable workers as Mr. Cumming, Mr. Axelsen, Mrs. Jackson, and those others who worked among the poor and needy in the city.

Mr. T. Hussey, in replying on behalf of Mrs. Jackson, said how deeply that lady appreciated the presence of so many friends around her that evening. Mrs. Jackson, he continued, said she liked to do her work quietly, and what she had been able to do had been a labor of love; and hoped on her return to give to charitable endeavor the benefit of the information she would be able to gain during her travels.

A dainty supper was served by the staff of the Savoy, and a very pleasant gathering was terminated by the singing of "Auld Lang Syne."

CHRISTIAN BROTHERS' NEW RESIDENCE. CARNIVAL NOTES.

A "four-hour" dance (8 till 12) will be held in the assembly room of the Christian Brothers' School on next Saturday night, in the interest of the C.B. "Old Boys" stall and queen candidate. An efficient musician has been engaged, and refreshments will be supplied. The promoters have done everything possible in the way of catering for the enjoyment of patrons, and a large gathering is anticipated.

Intending patrons are reminded that the "gift" musical and dance in the interests of the North-East Valley stall and queen candidate will be held on next Monday evening (November 17), in the Sacred Heart Schoolroom. Nothing has been left undone to ensure a most pleasurable function.

On next Monday night week (November 24) a high-class concert, now being promoted by the Hibernians of Dunedin, in the interests of their stall and queen candidate, will be given in His Majesty's Theatre. Friends, generally, are urged to buy tickets beforehand, and to assist in every way possible to make the concert a pronounced success. An excellent programme is being arranged, and those contributing thereto will include a number of Dunedin's leading artists.

Under the auspices of the Children of Mary, a successful and enjoyable concert was given in St. Joseph's Hall on last Wednesday evening week, in the interests of the members of the sodality's stall and queen candidate (Miss Louise Harris). There was a good attendance, and the rendition of the various numbers on a well-arranged programme met with much appreciation. During the evening songs were contributed by Mrs. Sandys, Mrs. E. Mee, and Miss J. O'Gorman, a piano duet by Misses L. Harris and T. Hutton, a duet by Mr. and Mrs. Mee, a violin solo by Miss P. Haveridge, piano solos by Misses L. Harris and Milow, an instrumental trio by the Misses Haveridge (2) and Milow, and a recitation by Mr. Mulligan. The concluding part of the entertainment was given by carefully-trained pupils of the convent, who presented, with much success, first, a novel jewel play, and then a pretty little dwarf play entitled "Amelia and the Dwarfs."

CONTROLLING THE WIRE.

Mr. Belloc has shown us how the Jews control "the other end of the wire" in Continental news agencies, and how therefore the wire is, so to speak, poisoned against the Papacy in the British press (says the *Glasgow Observer*). Now in Ulster it is much the same thing with the Orangemen. Unionists have control of the Ulster end of the British news wire, and all reports are colored and distorted to serve the end of their political camp. Some of the better-class English newspapers are aware of this. Some others see the situation as it is. A Nationalist procession in Ulster is proclaimed, that is forbidden, by a military officer who is himself the head of the Carson army in Ulster. In effect, therefore, the Nationalists see British government in Ireland committed formally (as it has always been actually) to their adversaries and plunderers, the Orange and Unionist combination in Ulster.

The attention of electors is directed to an announcement in this issue concerning voting by Declaration at the forthcoming election.

Mr. H. St. A. Murray, A.N.Z.I.A., architect, who has been away on active service for over four years, recently returned to Christchurch, and is resuming practice in Barlow's Buildings, corner of Hereford and Colombo Streets. Mr. Murray gained the M.C. at the Front.