

## OBITUARY

### MR. PATRICK McDONNELL, CHRISTCHURCH.

Very sincere sorrow is felt (writes our Christchurch correspondent) at the death of Mr. Patrick McDonnell, for many years a collector in the Cathedral and a willing and zealous helper in Church work generally. The late Mr. McDonnell was born in Fairhead, County Antrim, and arrived in Dunedin forty years ago. After a time he came to Christchurch, where he had mainly resided ever since. For nearly thirty years he was engaged at the Addington Railway Workshops, and until about twelve months ago when, owing to an internal malady, he was obliged to relinquish his occupation. About three weeks ago his illness took a serious turn, and on Friday, the 6th inst., passed away in his 60th year, fortified by all the rites and consolations of the Church. A Requiem Mass was celebrated on Monday last for the repose of his soul by the Rev. Dr. Kennedy, who had attended him in his last illness, and who conducted the burial service at the graveside. The late Mr. McDonnell was for many years a prominent member of St Patrick's branch of the H.A.C.B. Society, and a large contingent of brother Hibernians and fellow-workmen from the Addington Workshops followed the remains to the Linwood cemetery.—R.I.P.

### MRS. R. GOGGIN, MAHARAHARA.

(From our Dannevirke correspondent.)

I regret to have to record the death of Mrs. Richard Goggin, of Maharahara, which took place at the residence of her brother, Mr. James Cullinane, Dannevirke, on the 10th inst., after a long and painful illness. Deceased was a native of County Cork, and arrived in New Zealand with her husband thirty-five years ago, and since then resided at Foxton, Palmerston, Maharahara, and Dannevirke. Mrs. Goggin was attended in her last illness by the Rev. Fathers Cahill and T. McKenna, also the Sisters of the Mission. She received the last rites of the Church, and died a very edifying death. The funeral, which was largely attended, left the church on Thursday afternoon, Rev. Fathers Cahill and T. McKenna officiating at the graveside. Great sympathy is felt for the husband and relatives of deceased, who are highly respected in this district.—R.I.P.

### Dannevirke

(From our own correspondent.)

On Sunday, October 1, the Feast of the Holy Rosary, about thirty children made their First Communion.

The final social in aid of the piano fund was held in the school hall on Tuesday, the 10th, and both from a social and financial point was highly successful. These socials have been running a little over four months, and have realised the creditable sum of £55. This amount liquidates the debt on the piano, which was recently purchased for the use of the school. The hon. secretaries (Mr. M. J. Lyons and Misses Sullivan and Frank), and the other members of the social committee are deserving of the highest praise for the manner in which these socials have been conducted.

The foresight of the Rev. Father Cahill in building the new addition to our school in such a way so as to serve the dual purpose of school and social hall, is

much appreciated. A revenue of about £70 a year can in future be expected from this hall by means of social entertainments.

A very enthusiastic meeting was held in the school room on Thursday evening, 12th inst., by those interested in the formation of a tennis club; Mr. T. Cotter presiding. It was decided to form a club, to be known as the 'St. Michael's Tennis Club.' The following officers were elected:—Patron, Rev. Father Cahill; president, Mr. T. Cotter; vice-presidents, Messrs. M. J. Lyons, John McDonald, W. Campbell, J. P. Flinn, J. Fahey, W. J. O'Donnell, M. Power, J. Flynn, T. Frost, J. Cullinane, J. O'Sullivan, J. Curtis, Jun., and J. J. O'Gorman; hon. secretary, Miss Sullivan; hon. treasurer, Mr. W. J. O'Donnell. A very good tennis lawn has been laid in the church ground, which has a substantial 12 foot netting fence enclosing it. Mr. H. Shanly, who has been putting the lawn in order, hopes to have everything ready for the opening day, which is fixed for the 25th inst., to be followed by a social in the school hall at night.

### Greymouth

(From our own correspondent.)

October 14.

Mr. Charles Schilsky, examiner for practical music for Trinity College, London, arrived in Greymouth on Wednesday, 11th inst., and conducted the practical examination in the convent on Thursday and Friday, 12th and 13th inst. Twenty-two candidates were presented by the Sisters of Mercy and all were successful. The following is the list:—

Higher Examination.—Associate Pianists: Chris-sie Baybutt, A.T.C.L., 90; Lena Higgins, A.T.C.L., 83. Certificated Pianists—Vera Robinson, 75; Molly Noonan, 71; Gladys Hannam, 62.

Higher Local Honors.—Veda Michel, 87; Rita Hannan, 85; Eileen Green, 81.

Senior Pass.—Mabel Thompson, 71.

Intermediate Pass.—Gladys Williams, 77; Winnie O'Neill, 74.

Junior Honors.—Winnie O'Neill (violin), 86; Inga Hannam, 85; Kathleen Egan, 81.

Junior Pass.—Maggie Flintoff, 70.

Preparatory.—Myra Davies (violin), 87; Inga Hannam (violin), 87; Kathleen Hannan, 86; Nellie Kilgour, 86; Isabelle Burrell (singing), 83; Emily Oliver, 83; Gwendoline McCarthy, 76.

Mr. Schilsky gave a recital after the examination in the convent schoolroom to the Sisters and pupils. The pieces played were:—'Humoreske' (Dvorak); Bach's 'Air'; Beethoven's 'Romance in F'; 'Canzonetta' (Ambrosio); 'Legende' (Wieniawski); 'Nocturne in D major' (Chopin). At the conclusion of the recital a beautiful gold medal, the gift of the Very Rev. Dean Carew, was presented by the Dean to Miss Chrissie Baybutt, A.T.C.L., and a silver medal to Miss Lena Higgins, A.T.C.L. Misses Vera Robinson (Certificated Pianist), Mollie Noonan (Certificated Pianist), Gladys Hannam (Certificated Pianist), Veda Michel, Rita Hannan, Eileen Green, Gladys Williams, Mabel Thompson, Winnie O'Neill, Myra Davies, and Inga Hannan received beautifully-bound volumes of music. Mr. Schilsky then gave out the cards to the pupils, and the enjoyable proceedings terminated with a happy little speech from the Dean and Mr. Schilsky.

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