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Diocesan News

ARCHDIOCESE OF WELLINGTON

(From our own correspondent.)

April 27.

A most successful euchre party, in aid of the funds of the Hibernian Pipe Band, was held at the Burlington Tea Rooms on last Wednesday evening. Mr. C. J. McErlean had charge of arrangements.

Mr. D. J. O'Keefe, who was for some time conductor of St. Anne's Choir, Newtown, has been studying music for the last year in London. He is returning to New Zealand via the United States.

The Ven. Archdeacon Devoy, to show his appreciation of the successful work performed by the ladies and gentlemen connected with the bazaar, entertained them on last Thursday evening at St. Anne's Hall.

Miss Gertrude Herbert was married to Mr. William Alfred Baldwin at St. Mary of the Angels' on Wednesday last. The Rev. Father Venning, S.M., celebrated the Nuptial Mass, and also officiated at the marriage ceremony.

On Wednesday morning Miss Mabel Gertrude Waters, of Waitangi House, Boulcott street, was married at St. Mary of the Angels' to Mr. James Gooch, of Takaka, Nelson. The Rev. Father Joseph Herring, S.M., celebrated the Nuptial Mass and officiated at the marriage ceremony.

At the last meeting of the Hibernian Society (St. Patrick's branch) the following resolution was carried: This branch of the H.A.C.B. Society congratulates the Ven. Archdeacon Brodie on his courageous and timely protest at Waihi on Sunday week last against the attacks on the Catholic Church and its doctrines and practices by a Socialist lecturer, and assures him of its heartiest felicitations on the success which attended his efforts.'

A general meeting of Catholics was held on Wednesday evening, Colonel Collins, C.M.G., presiding, to hear the committee's report with reference to the proposal regarding the silver jubilee of his Grace Arch-bishop Redwood. The meeting approved of the suggestion of the committee to hold a conversazione in the Town Hall, and to present his Grace with an address and a purse of sovereigns. Messrs. D. J. Kenny, L. Dwan, H. O'Leary, and P. D. Hoskins were appointed a musical sub-committee.

A general quarterly meeting of the Ladies' Particular Council of the St. Vincent de Paul Society was held at St. Anne's Hall, Wellington South on last Wednesday afternoon, Mrs. Sullivan (president) occupied the chair. There were also present the Rev. Fathers Hurley and Venning, and a large number of ladies. Interesting reports were received from the various conferences of the circumscription, and the question of still furthering the good work of the society by undertaking the visitation of new Catholic families arriving in each parish, and of extending a welcome to the Catholic women and girls arriving from the Old Country was favourably discussed.

Mr. J. E. Butler, an old St. Patrick's College boy, who has been practising as a dentist in this city for some years, has decided to commence the practice of his profession at Tauranga. The members of the St. Patrick's College Old Boys' Association met at the Grand Hotel to bid him good-bye. Mr. M. J. Crombie presided, and in eulogistic terms referred to Mr. Butler's conspicuous service to the St. Patrick's College Old Boys' Association as a member of the committee. He had been foremost in his endeavours to promote its welfare, and he had not only won the esteem of the Old Boys, but of his fellow-citizens generally, and had brought undoubted distinction to his alma mater. Voicing the opinion of those present, Mr. Crombie trusted that Mr. Butler would have a very prosperous career in Tauranga. The present to Mr. Butler consisted of a solid silver cigarette case suitably engraved.

The general quarterly meeting of the Particular Council of St. Vincent de Paul Society was held on last Sunday afternoon at the Guildford Terrace Schoolroom. There was a fair attendance of members, over which the president (Bro. Martin Kennedy, K.S.G.) presided. Amongst those present were the Very Rev. Father O'Shea, V.G., Rev. Fathers Venning, McCarthy, Eccleton, and Joseph Herring. The reports read from the various conferences of the circumscription disclosed good and steady work. St. Mary's (Wanganui) was particularly interesting, and St. Canice's (Westport), St. Mary's (Foxton), Aramoho, Levin, and Petrone all characters. tone, all showed excellent work. Bro. Kennedy reviewed the work of the last three months at the various conferences, which he considered very satisfactory. Very Rev. Father O'Shea congratulated the society on its excellent work. Rev. Father McCarthy, of the Marist Missionary Fathers, stated that in Tasmania, during the course of their missions, they succeeded in establishing 25 conferences of the society. Rev. Father Venning spoke on the need of making the quarterly meetings more interesting by introducing for discussion various works which could be undertaken by the society, and eliminating a lot of the detail work which at present takes up a lot of valuable time. He exhorted the members to continue the good work of the society. Rev. Father Eccleton, of St. Patrick's College, also spoke and referred to the interest taken by the Rector (Very Rev. Dr. Kennedy) in the work of the society. There was established in the college a conference of boys, who, he hoped, would join the various conferences on leaving the college. The president, before declaring the meeting closed, said that many valuable suggestions were put forward by the various speakers which would receive the serious consideration of the council.

There was a good gathering of old boys of St. Patrick's College at the Grand Hotel on Wednesday evening to bid farewell to Mr. S. J. Moran, LL.B., who is leaving Wellington to join the legal firm of Pownall, Lavery, and Moran, of Masterton. In presenting Mr. Moran with a silver eigarette case, Mr. M. J. Crombie (chairman of the Old Boys' Association) referred to the faithful services of Mr. Moran as a member of the committee, and as chairman of the executive in years past. Mr. W. E. Butler, in supporting Mr. Crombie's remarks, spoke of the sincerity of Mr. Moran in the association's work. Mr. Moran was always a quiet and unobstrusive worker, who did not care about the limelight, but would battle for the dignity of the association even if the battle had to be waged before the whole world. In replying, Mr. Moran thanked the old boys for having attended in such In the association he had formed some of the firmest and, he hoped, the most lasting companionships of his life. He wished the association that prosperity to which its objects entitled it. Mr. Moran was also entertained at a dinner by the Capitol Lacrosse Club on Thursday evening. Mr. A. C. Jantke, who presided, proposed the health of the guest in a very neat and happy speech. He stated that Mr. Moran had been one of the founders of the game of lacrosse in Wellington, and had proved his worth both as a player and a committee man. The toast was supported by Mr. Forbes (secretary of the Wellington Association), Mr. McGovern (secretary of the N.Z. Association), Mr. Renkin (captain of the Capitol Lacrosse Club), and Mr. A. Montgomery (secretary of the Capitol Club). Capitol Club). Mr. Montgomery handed Mr. Moran a travelling rug as a memento from lacrosse players in Wellington. In thanking the members of the club, Mr. Moran referred to the good work done by Mr. Proud, and trusted that the future of the game in Wellington would be as bright as its skill merited. The meeting concluded with cheers for Mr. Moran.

Wanganui

(From our own correspondent.)

April 18.

Although the Hibernian Society here has been only in existence six months, it has made good progress.

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ITALIAN WAREHOUSEMEN, HEALTH FOOD SPECIALISTS, HAM AND BACON CURERS, 18 PRINCES STREET, DUNEDIN foung and Anderson. AND BACON CURERS, 10 FRINCES STATES, 10 PRINCES ST