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MR. W. F. GLENDONWYN SCOTT, WESTPORT.

(Frem an occasional correspondent.)

I regret to record the death of one of Westport's best known and most respected Catholics, in Mr. W. F. Glendonwyn Scott, who passed away on September 5, after an illness of some four months' duration. Although suffering acute pain throughout this time, Mr. Scott remained conscious and cheerful to the last, his heroic courage and resignation being a source of edification to all who visited him. The late Mr. Scott was born in County Sligo about fifty years ago, his parents having crossed over from Scotland a year or two previously. He was descended from an old Scottish family, the Glendonwyns, who are mentioned by Sir Walter Scott in his notes to The Abbot. His father, Charles Glendonwyn Scott, was a faithful friend and ardent associate of Daniel O'Connell at the time when the great Liberator was making his final effort for Irish liberty. Charles Glendonwyn Scott was one of the first to enrol his name as a member of the Repeal Association when Mr. O'Neill Daunt, one of O'Connell's lieutenants, visited Edinburgh in 1843. time onward Mr. Scott worked with all his heart in the cause of Ireland. In one of his eloquent speeches he said: 'As long as my heart shall beat, it will beat for Ireland and her welfare.' The fervor of his eloquence is attested by the speeches which have been handed down in print. They snow all the passion of the true patriot, combined with the elegance of diction and perfection of style of the born orator. With such a father there is little wonder that the son, our lamented friend, should have so deep a love for Ireland, and so earnest a sympathy for her in her troubles. One of the late Mr. Scott's most cherished possessions was a valuable gold watch and chain which had been suitably inscribed and presented to his father some sixty years ago by the Repealers of Edinburgh in recognition of his noble work in the cause of Irish freedom. deceased leaves a widow, and many relatives to mourn their loss. It is, however, a great consolation to them to know that he died such an edifying death, being perfectly resigned to the holy will of God, and fortified by all the rites of the Church of which he was so faithful a member. The remains were interred at the Orawaite Cemetery on Saturday, September 7, Rev. Father McMenamin officiating at the graveside. The large gathering of the public testified to the esteem in which the late Mr. Scott was held; his courteous and gentle manner gained him hosts of friends, whilst it is safe to say that he never made an enemy.—R.I.P.

MR. JOHN JOSEPH RYAN, BROADFIELDS.

There passed away on September 10 a highly respected resident of the Lincoln district, in the person of Mr. John Joseph Ryan, at the early age of 36 years (writes our Christchurch correspondent). The deceased was a member of a large and much esteemed family, being son of Mr. Michael Ryan, of Broadfields. For the greater part of his life he lived at home with his parents, but of late years had been a resident of Oamaru, and recently of Rangiora. For a number of years he had been a very active member of the Lincoln branch of the H.A.C.B. Society, and filled at intervals all the offices, and at the time of his death was past-president. For some time before his death he suffered from a painful illness, which was borne by him with

much Christian fortitude. During the latter part of his illness he was zealously attended by the Rev. Father Daull, S.M.A., parish priest, and died fortified by all the last rites of the Church. A large number of friends took part in the fuperal cortege to the Church of the Reparation, Shand's Track, where a Requiem Mass was celebrated by the Rev. Father Daull, assisted by the Rev. Father Hanrahan. The interment took place at the Lincoln Cemetery, where the Rev. Father Richards (former pastor of the district) officiated, assisted by the Very Rev. Dean Hyland, Rev. Fathers Daull and Hanrahan. The members of the local branch of the H.A.C.B. Society attended the funeral in regalia, four of the officers being pall-bearers. The funeral cortege was very lengthy, consisting of over sixty vehicles, and attended by friends from the local and surrounding districts. The late Mr. Ryan leaves a widow and one child to mourn their sad loss, and for whom much sympathy is felt.—R.I.P.

MR. N. O'TOOLE, BALCLUTHA.

At Balclutha on September 14, there passed away a much-respected member of the community in the person of Mr. N. O'Toole, who had been a resident of Fairlie for about twelve years, until six months ago, when he went to live in Balclutha. The late Mr. O'Toole was born in Rathdangan, County Wicklow, sixty-two years ago. He left Ireland about thirty years ago, and on coming to New Zealand settled in Waimate, where he was engaged in farming until he went to reside in Fairlie, and entered into the grain business. About six months ago he purchased a farm at Balclutha. The immediate cause of his death was an attack of pleurisy. The deceased was attended in his last illness by the Rev. Father Howard, of Milton, and he passed away fortified by all the rites of the Church, of which he was a devoted member. He leaves a widow to mourn her loss. He was a staunch supporter of the *Tablet*, to which he had been a subscriber for many years. The late Mr. O'Toole was of an exceedingly genial and kindly disposition, and was deservedly popular among the residents of the various districts in which he had resided. The funeral took place on Monday at Balclutha, when Rev. Father Howard officiated at the graveside.—R.I.P.

Lyttelton

The following are the results of the examinations in theoretical music, which were held, under the auspices of Trinity College, London, on June 10, at the Convents of Mercy, Lyttelton and Akaroa:—

Senior division—Honors: Gwen Haylock, 94; Vera

Ryan, 88; Mary Kotlowski, 82.

Intermediate—Honors: Winnie Lelievre, 96; Mary Ready, 96; Millicent Kennedy, 94. Pass: Clara Hock, 60.

Advanced junior—Louise Curry, 93; Rosina Hal-

liday, 92.

Junior grade-Honors: Frances Carrell, 99; Rachel Osborne, 98; Eva Jackson, 97; Gussie Thompson, 96; Phyllis Narbey, 96; Joseph O'Reilly, 95; Con. Mazey, 82.

Preparatory grade—Greta Thompson, 98; Stewart Taylor, 93; Joseph Dack, 83; Addie Turner, 79.

Miss Adelaide Bruce, a lady with an excellent reputation as a contralto singer, will give a concert composed mainly of Scottish items in the Art Gallery Hall on Tuesday evening, September 24. She will, by special request, sing 'The Irish Emigrant,' an item which was warmly applauded when she gave it at the last St. Patrick's Day concert in Wellington. A Wellington paper says that 'Miss Bruce possesses a cultured contralto voice of high range and great purity.' The Melbourne Age in a notice some time ago said: 'Amongst a company of talented favorites it is pleasant to be able to say that Miss Bruce, who has a good stage presence and a robust voice of excellent quality, ably held her own.'

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