

and expressed himself delighted with the fine number of children, there being 57 on the roll. Some of the parishioners, who had the good fortune to meet him, were delighted to renew his acquaintance, for though it is many years since Dean Hyland labored in Rakaia he is still affectionately remembered here.

On Friday evening a most successful entertainment was held in the Oddfellows' Hall. The first hour was devoted to vocal and instrumental selections, the following being the programme:—Piano duet, Misses Hardy and Muller; song, Miss Trixy Beherns; song, Mr. R. Opie; coon song, convent school boys; song, Miss Cromie; song, Miss Hardy; song, Miss W. Brick (Christchurch); chorus, convent school children. The accompanists were Misses Hardy and Muller. The various items were warmly applauded. The convent boys created much amusement by their singing, acting, and dancing, and had to repeat their song three times before the audience was satisfied. The concert was followed by a progressive euchre tournament. Miss Ironsides (Chertsey) won the lady's prize, and Mr. Armstrong (Mitcham) the gentleman's. Refreshments were provided by the ladies of the congregation. The entertainment was in every way a splendid success, fully 300 persons being present. Mr. Muller thanked the performers and the public. Rev. Dr. Kennedy's absence was the only thing to be regretted, but all were glad to hear that he is recovering from his indisposition. The thanks of the congregation are due to all who were responsible for the arrangement of the social, especially to Mr. Mrs. and Miss Muller, and the Misses Hinds, who spared no time or trouble to make the gathering a success.

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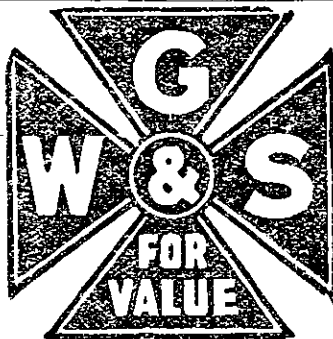
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