

## ITEMS OF SPORT

## GENERAL.

Our Auckland correspondent has received cable advice from Melbourne that Allen Doone on Saturday won the theatrical sculling championship by three lengths.

## FOOTBALL.

The Secretary of the General Post Office is advised from San Francisco that the All Blacks won their first match against the Olympia Club by 19 points to nil.

The Marist Brothers' junior football team (writes our Wanganui correspondent) are to be congratulated on winning the shield given by the Primary Schools' Football Committee.

At a welcome given in Sydney to the Rugby Union team on their return from the New Zealand tour the manager said he was convinced that had the team had dry grounds they would not have suffered defeat, except perhaps in the first match. The standard of the game in New South Wales was quite as high as in New Zealand. The team had been treated right royally right through the tour.

As a wind-up to the football season, and also as a benefit match for the Linwood Park rotunda fund, Association footballers played a five-aside tournament at Linwood Park on Saturday before a fairly large gathering (writes our Christchurch correspondent). In the first round of the third grade St. Bede's beat Gordon Hall. In the second round St. Bede's beat St. Albans, and in the final St. Bede's beat St. Albans B by 3 goals, 1 corner to 2 goals. The winning team comprised—Donohue (2), Khouri, Elliott, and Riordan. In the schools' competitions St. Bede's A beat New Brighton by 3½ to nil, Spreydon A beat Spreydon B by 2 to nil, East beat St. Bede's B by 1½ to nil. Second round: St. Bede's A beat St. Bede's B, East beat Spreydon A. Final: St. Bede's beat East by 1½ to nil. The winning team comprised—Wolfe, Bingham, McLaren, Flood, and Mullan.

On Saturday afternoon, September 13 (writes the Brisbane correspondent of the *Catholic Press*), the Christian Brothers' football team met the Grammar team for premiership honors. During the first half there was no score, but after the interval the Brothers scored 14 points as against Grammars' nil, thus leaving the Brothers premiers. This constitutes two records. In the first place, it is the first time that a team had won premiership honors three times in succession; and second, it is the first time that a team has played through the season without being defeated. Both teams have been training hard during the week, and it was mainly owing to this that the Brothers scored their 14 points. During the first spell the Brothers, although they had the advantage of the wind, were unable to cross the Grammars' line, but being in good trim, they soon wore their opponents down, and had no difficulty in scoring. The Brothers were also without their three best men—viz., J. Flynn, P. Murphy, and M. McMahon—who are included in the Australian team now touring New Zealand.

## CRICKET.

It is not generally known that Frank A. Tarrant, the recognised greatest all-round cricketer in England, is an old boy of the Melbourne Christian Brothers. Tarrant, writing in a London paper, says he was born in Melbourne 32 years ago, and educated at the Christian Brothers' College, Victoria parade. His uncle, Ambrose Tarrant, who was a well-known old-time Australian cricketer, began to teach him the game while he was still a small boy, specially instructing him in the art of bowling with both hands. At the age of 15 he joined the Fitzroy Cricket Club and played with the second eleven. But his skill as a bowler was soon discovered, and he was promptly promoted to the first eleven. Major Philip Trevor, in the *Daily Telegraph*, describes him as playing a 'magnificent innings' of 86, and dilates on the 'power and brilliancy of his strokes.' Not even W. G. Grace in his best days, says the Major, was a finer all-round cricketer than Tarrant is to-day.

## MARIST BROTHERS' OLD BOYS' CRICKET CLUB, WELLINGTON.

(From our own correspondent.)

A special meeting of the Marist Brothers' Old Boys' Cricket Club was held on Wednesday night, the Rev. Brother Donatis presiding over an attendance of thirty members. The financial statement showed the club would start the season with a credit balance of £5 10s. It was decided to enter A and B teams in both the senior and junior grades of the W.B.C.L.

The main business of the evening was embodied in a motion of Mr. A. Burke, to the effect that the club be affiliated with the Catholic Club Cricket Club. The secretary of the Catholic C.C.C. (Mr. Thomas), who was present, stated that it was rather late to consider affiliation with his club, as it had already entered teams for the coming season, but he thought that it would be quite possible to come to an agreement next season. After considerable discussion, an amendment was carried unanimously to the effect that the Catholic Club be approached with regard to affiliation next season, and that all players too old to play in the boys' grades this year should play for the Catholic Club.

The following were elected the management committee for the coming season:—Messrs. F. O'Driscoll, K. de Muth, F. Bowles, G. Fitzgerald, H. Marshall, B. Lewis, B. Walsh; delegates to the W.B.C.L., Messrs. G. Fitzgerald, K. de Muth, F. O'Driscoll, and J. Macaulay; secretary, Mr. F. O'Driscoll; captain senior team, Mr. K. de Muth; selection committee, Messrs. K. de Muth, J. Macaulay, and A. Marshall.

A vote of thanks was passed to Mr. F. Bowles (coach and club captain) for the donation of a medal for the most improved fielder in the junior team. A special committee, consisting of Rev. Brother Lewis, and Messrs. F. Bowles and G. Fitzgerald, was appointed to compile a set of rules for the government of the club.

## Palmerston North

(From our own correspondent.)

October 5.

His Grace Archbishop Redwood paid a short visit to Palmerston during the week.

A largely attended and enthusiastic gathering took place at Dustin's, Limited, under the auspices of the Friendly Societies' Council, on Thursday night. The function was a smoke concert to celebrate the winding-up of the inter-society card tournament of the season. During an interval in the proceedings, the Mayor handed the recently-won shield to Bro. M. J. Kennedy on behalf of the H.A.C.B. Society. The speakers for the Hibernians were Bros. Kennedy, Gleeson, and McGrath. Musical items were given during the evening. Bros. J. Hurley and Hunt contributed an Irish jig and a Highland fling respectively.

At the concert and social to be held on next Wednesday night in aid of the bazaar funds occasion will be taken to present the Rev. Father Doolaghty with an address and purse of sovereigns.

The many friends of Constable Hattie will hear with regret of his death, which occurred on Saturday after a long and painful illness. The late Mr. Hattie, who was a recent convert to our holy faith, died fortified by the rites of the Church.

The following convent pupils passed the practical examination of the Associated Board of the R.A.M. and R.C.M., London:—

Primary Piano—L. Brett, D. Pegdon, E. Lane, M. Townshend, D. Robbie, E. Brophy.

Elementary Piano—D. Woodhouse, M. Roberts, F. Nash, I. Mitchell, V. Cimino, W. Cooper, K. Nash, K. Kavanagh, F. McLachlan.

Singing—Mary Hanlon.  
Lower Division Piano—V. Bartlett, M. Cameron.

Higher Division Piano—May Smith, M. C. Baigent.

Advanced Piano—E. M. Lynch.  
Advanced Singing—Vera Graham; L.A.B. Teacher, Ida Carey; L.A.B. Performer, V. E. Kendall.

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