

ITEMS OF SPORT

GENERAL.

In the Timaru-Christchurch road race on last Saturday (writes our Christchurch correspondent), P. O'Shea, a Marist Brothers' 'old boy,' won for the second time, and established a new record. O'Shea's great win created much popular enthusiasm.

CRICKET.

In cricket on last Saturday (writes our Christchurch correspondent) between St. Bede's College and Sydenham, St. Bede's batted first against Sydenham at Linwood Park, scoring 165 runs for six wickets and declared the innings closed (Khouri 72, Belquin 28, Flood 27, McLaren 25). Fitzsimmon and Arnold were the best bowlers. Sydenham replied with 33 (Fitzsimmon 14), and following on, had added another 31 runs for three wickets when time was called (Hickinbottom 13, Fitzsimmon 11). McLaren took three wickets for 10 runs and Flood three wickets for 6 runs. St. Bede's won on the first innings.

TENNIS.

The annual meeting of the members of the St. John's Club, Timaru, was held on Wednesday evening last. There was a good attendance, and a good deal of interest was taken in the proceedings. The report and balance sheet showed the club to be in a satisfactory position, both numerically and financially. The following office-bearers were elected for the season:—Patron, Very Rev. Dean Tubman; president, Mr. J. G. Venning; vice-presidents, Mesdames J. G. Venning, C. Hall, Crowley, Skinner, and Ardagh, Rev. Father Murphy, and Mr. P. McAteer; secretary and treasurer, Mr. T. Dennehy; committee—Misses Kane and Dennehy, Messrs. G. Venning and M. Schaab; delegates to Sub-Association, Messrs. J. G. Venning and M. Schaab; delegates to Federation, Messrs. J. G. Venning and T. Dennehy; captain, Mr. M. J. Schaab; auditor, Mr. T. Doyle. Several new members, who were present, were elected.

OBITUARY

MR. HENRY LAVERY, WELLINGTON.

On Sunday, October 11, there passed away at his daughter's residence, Wellington, Mr. Henry Lavery, late of Charleston, West Coast. The deceased was a native of Tarbert, County Kerry. As a young man he worked on the goldfields of Victoria and New South Wales, and in 1866 came to Charleston, where he remained till within a few weeks of his death. He was a staunch Hibernian and a thoroughly practical Catholic, and took an active interest in all Church matters. He leaves a sorrowing wife and grown-up family of twelve to mourn their loss. On his deathbed he had the consolation of receiving the last rites of the Church at the hands of Rev. Father Hickson, S.M. The remains, followed by numbers of mourners, were interred in the Karori Cemetery, Rev. Father Hickson again officiating.—R.I.P.

Lincoln

(From an occasional correspondent.)

On Sunday the Rev. Father O'Connor spoke very feelingly with regard to the distress amongst the poor in Dublin, and pointed out the necessity of helping the priests to prevent the children being proselytised. As a result, a meeting was held in the schoolroom after Mass, and a sum of over £30 was subscribed immediately. The following is the list:—Messrs M. Corrigan £5, J. McCormack £2, Mrs. Doyle £2, Father O'Connor £2, Mrs. Welsh £1, Messrs. C. Kelleher £1, M. O'Neill £1, M. Ryan (sen.) £1, P. Ryan £1, J. Ryan £1, M. F. Ryan £1, Miss Norah Ryan (Tai Tapu) £1, Messrs. L. Mannion £1, T. Henley £1, E. Cunneen £1, Mrs. D. McCarthy £1, Messrs. H. McCarthy £1, J. McCarthy £1, O. McGough £1, P. McDrury £1, J.

Morehan 10s, J. Baker 10s, J. Millier 10s, J. O'Neill 10s, J. Henley 10s, M. Costelloe 10s, C. Ryan 10s, P. O'Riordan 10s, T. Sommerville 10s, W. Cunneen 10s, P. Maloney 10s, A. McCormack 10s, Miss Hamilton 10s, Messrs. J. Cunneen 5s, J. Gallagher 5s, E. Leathem 5s, Misses Ryan (Greenpark) 5s, B. McCormack 5s, M. Doherty 5s, A. McGough 5s, Messrs. H. McGough 5s, P. McGough 5s, H. Coe 5s, Miss A. McHugh 5s, Mr. J. Deery 2s 6d. Mr. Doherty, Lincoln, had already sent a subscription of £1 to the *Lyttelton Times*. Father O'Connor is to cable the amount to Archbishop Walsh. The list will be open for a week.

Hamilton

(From our own correspondent.)

On last Monday evening at the weekly parish social, Mrs. Davy was the recipient of a beautiful gold bangle. Mr. T. Dillon, in making the presentation on behalf of the young men of the parish, pointed out how much they owed to Mrs. Davy. This lady had officiated week after week at the piano, and had thus contributed greatly to the success of the evenings. He thanked her very heartily on behalf of the club for the generous assistance she had given them. Mr. Michael McCarthy, on behalf of Mrs. Davy, suitably responded.

Waihi

(From our own correspondent.)

October 23.

The Rev. Father Wright, who had been on a short holiday in Victoria, returns to Waihi on Tuesday.

The executive of the Federated Catholic Clubs has appointed Mr. J. J. Callaghan representative to the South Auckland district, which consists of the following Catholic Clubs—Hamilton, Thames, Karangahake, and Waihi. At the weekly meeting of the Waihi Catholic Club Mr. Callaghan was congratulated by the members upon his appointment. The local club held a debate amongst its members last week, the subject being 'That the Mayor should be elected by and from the city councillors.' Mr. P. J. Lynch made a capital leader for the negative side and Mr. T. J. Ryan put forward very sound arguments for the affirmative. After all present expressed their views, the verdict was given in favor of the negative.

Methven

(From an occasional correspondent.)

The following is the report on the local Catholic school, which was examined by Mr. J. B. Mayne, Education Board Inspector:—'This school, which was opened on February 17 of this year, is ably conducted, and, under the circumstances, the creditable performance of the pupils reflects much credit on the staff, and promises well for the future success of the school. The tone is good, and the general behaviour of the pupils commendable. Standards III. to VI.—These classes have been taught with great care and intelligence, the pupils making a pleasing appearance in most of their subjects. Standards I. and II. and Preparatory classes—In this group sound progress has been made in the various subjects of instruction, especially in reading, writing, and spelling. The pupils are well trained in habits of order and attention, and appear bright and happy in their work.'

HELD OVER

Owing to pressure on our space we have been compelled to hold over a quantity of matter, especially that which reached us on Wednesday morning.

ST. MARY'S ORPHANAGE, AUCKLAND

We have received the following subscription for the building fund of St. Mary's Orphanage, Auckland:—Anonymous, Timaru, £1.