

to conceive the construction of such a magnificent building. I was amazed when I heard that over £30,000 was to be spent on a new church in Palmerston North. In Australia such a sum is spent only on a cathedral, but his Grace of Wellington has said that this is going to be a cathedral city, and he speaks from inside knowledge," stated the Archbishop, amidst laughter. In conclusion he made an appeal for funds; and set the ball rolling by donating £10 10s himself, which he described as a donation from a "bush Bishop." When the ball had finished rolling, the "bush Bishop's" £10 10s had grown to nearly £700. "Once again, I thank all who have attended the ceremony," and

with these words from Father MacManus, the proceedings ended. High time, too, for the "gentle rain" was by this time a mighty downpour. It was very disappointing to strike such a wet day; but the stone was laid, and God's blessing is upon the work, just as if it had been fine. For the favors of the past, priests and people unite in a very heartfelt, fervent: *Deo gratias*, and we pray that God may bless abundantly our labors in the future. Our new church of St. Patrick's will be solemnly dedicated within a year's time, we hope; and opened with the £15,000 debt considerably reduced. Let's start right now and pray for a fine day!



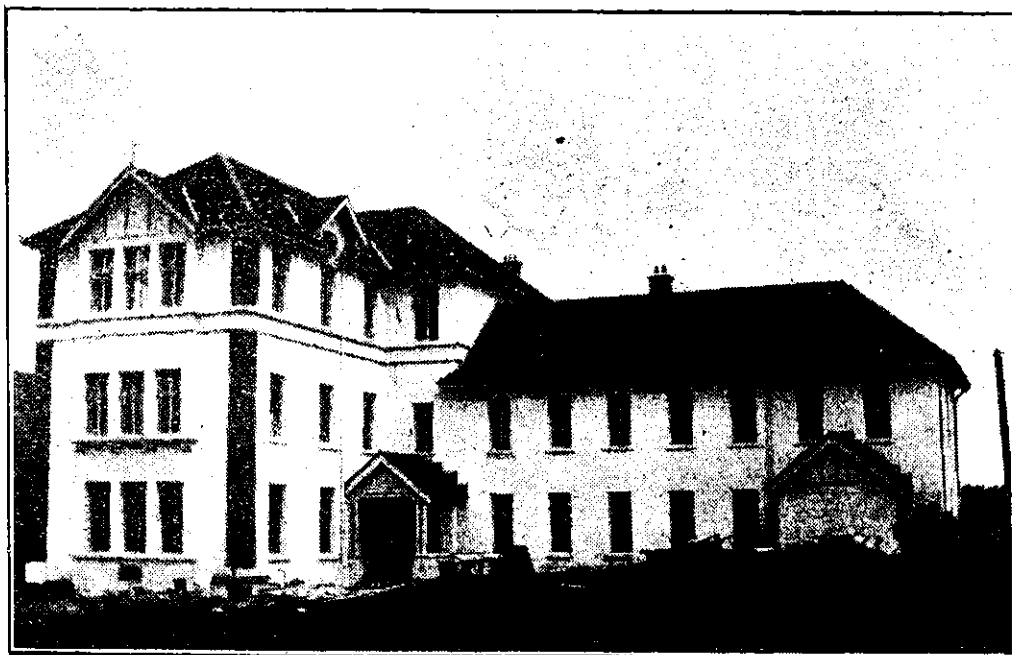
Priests in attendance at the ceremony of laying the foundation stone of St. Patrick's Church: Rev. Fathers Casey, O'Beirne, McManus (parish priest), McLaughlin, and Very Rev. Chancellor Holbrook (Grey Lynn, Auckland). The foundation stone is shown in the background.

## The New Orphanage for Boys at Takapuna

(By telegraph from our Auckland correspondent.)

On Sunday last, the 2nd inst., in brilliant sunshine, the blessing and formal opening of the new orphanage

Australia and New Zealand, the Governor-General and Lady Jellicoe, Bishops Cleary, Liston, and Darnand (Samoa), Mgr. Cahill, Mgr. Ormond, Rev. Fathers O'Connor, Bradley, O'Brien, Furlong, Murphy, and Rev. Dr. Buxton, Rev. Mr. Moukton, Anglican Vicar of Takapuna, the Inspector of Orphanages, Mr. Savage, M.P., and Mr. J. J. O'Brien. His Excellency Lord Jellicoe was introduced by Bishop



for boys at Takapuna (to replace the building destroyed by fire some time ago), took place in the presence of about 2000 people. On a raised platform outside the building, with many colored flags floating overhead, were seated his Excellency Archbishop Cattaneo, Apostolic Delegate to

Cleary. The Bishop, in referring to the orphanage building, said it was originally built by the French Missionaries under Bishop Pomyallier for educational purposes fifty years ago. When it later became the orphanage two Sisters of Mercy rowed over with six boys, one of whom was now

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