

able mine of information on questions raised by modern unbelievers who pretend that the Church shrinks from the light of Progress. New Zealand readers often need an antidote against the vapourings of Stouts and Bells, and in works like the present, written by a man who does know what he is talking about, they get it. The present volume deals with such interesting and actual topics as "Some Plain Facts about Miracles and Healing," "The Religion of Prehistoric Man," "Astrology," "Some Early Incidents in English Medicine."

WEDDING BELLS

SHEEHAN—MOLLOY.

A quiet but pretty wedding was solemnised at the Church of the Sacred Heart, Timaru, on March 4, when Grace, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Molloy, Cape Farm, Oamaru, and Thomas, only son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Sheehan, St. Andrew's, were united in the bonds of holy matrimony by the Rev. Father Hurley, S.M. The ceremony was followed by Nuptial Mass, appropriate music being rendered by Miss Eileen Dennehy, L.T.C.L. The bride, who was led to the altar by her cousin (Mr. J. Molloy), looked charming in a wedding gown of cream crepe-de-Chine and wore a veil arranged mob cap fashion with sprays of orange blossom; she also carried a beautiful gold-mounted ivory-bound prayer book, the gift of her mother. She was attended by her sister (Miss Mamie Molloy), who wore a frock of lemon silk with hat to match, and carried a beautiful bouquet. Miss Eileen Sullivan (niece of the bridegroom) attended as a flower girl in a dress of pink georgette and mob cap, and carried a posy of flowers. Mr. T. A. O'Brien was best man. The bridegroom's present to the bride was a gold wristlet watch, and to the bridesmaids' gold bangles. The wedding breakfast was held in the Wentworth tea rooms, where a large gathering of relatives and intimate friends were entertained. The newly-wedded couple left by the first express for the north, the bride travelling in a grey coat frock with hat *en suite*.

LYONS—RYAN.

A very pretty wedding was solemnised at the Church of SS. Michael and John, Dannevirke (says the *Evening News* for March 5), when Miss Basilla Euphrasia Ryan, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Ryan, of Lake Farm, Pongaroa, was married to Mr. Michael Joseph Lyons, youngest son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Lyons, of Waimate, South Canterbury. The church was beautifully decorated with pink and white asters, the work of the Sisters of the Missions, and Father Daly officiated. Very pretty indeed looked the bride in her beautiful dress of white satin with over-dress of georgette and some beautiful silver lace which had adorned her mother's wedding dress. A long train of pale blue silk taffeta, lined with georgette, was worn, both this and the dress being embroidered with lovely pearls, which have been in the family for very many years, and the customary veil and orange blossoms with a very pretty bouquet completed the charming toilette. The bride, who entered the church on the arm of her father, was preceded by two little nieces, Doreen Smith and Joan Rea, who made sweet little flower girls in frocks of white satin with little pink coats, while the train bearers were little Davy Smith, nephew of the bride, and Sheila Perreau, niece of the bridegroom. A maid of honor and two bridesmaids followed the bride, the former, Miss Joan Ryan, sister of the bride, looking very nice in a pretty frock of pale mauve crepe-de-Chine, with hat to match, and the two latter, Misses Evelyn Young and Eileen Smith, nieces of the bride, wearing charming frocks of apricot and pale blue charmense respectively, their hats and bouquets being in harmonising tones. The bridegroom was attended by Messrs. Martin and Kevan Ryan, brothers of the bride, as best man and groomsmen respectively. Following the ceremony, the wedding party adjourned to the Arcadia rooms, where Mr. and Mrs. Ryan entertained a large number of guests, and many felicita-

tions were showered on the young couple, while some bagpipe music by Mr. S. MacKenzie enlivened the proceedings. Later Mr. and Mrs. Lyons left by car for a trip through the Taranaki province, the bride travelling in a handsome frock of peacock blue morocain, with fur wrap and small hat *en suite*. The wedding presents were particularly numerous and very beautiful, while each of the bridesmaids received from the bridegroom a pearl necklet, the bride's present being an ivory-backed dressing set, the bride's present to the bridegroom being a gold tie-pin. Mr. and Mrs. Lyons will make their future home at Dargaville, where the former is farming.

SCHROEDER—GREGAN.

A very pretty wedding was solemnised at the Church of Our Lady of the Rosary, Hamilton, when James Henry, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Schroeder, of Ponsonby, Auckland, and Kathleen Mary, eldest daughter of Mrs. and the late Patrick Gregan, of Frankton Junction, were joined in the bonds of holy Matrimony. A Nuptial Mass was celebrated by the Rev. Father Bleakley, who also officiated at the ceremony. The bride, who was led to the altar by her uncle (Mr. D. A. Gregan), looked charming in a frock of soft ivory satin trimmed with pearl beads, also wearing a veil of embroidered silk tulle, caught at each side with a spray of orange blossoms, and carried a beautiful bouquet of lilies, roses and asparagus fern. She was attended by her sister (Miss Winifred Patricia Gregan), who was daintily attired in a frock of cream fugi silk trimmed with lemon beads, and white hat trimmed with marguerites and velvet ribbon streamers, and carried a bouquet of St. Joseph's lilies, roses, and maiden-hair fern. The bridegroom was attended by Mr. T. O'Sullivan as best man. As the newly-wedded couple left the church the "Wedding March" was played by Mrs. Snodgrass, who also played appropriate music during Mass. After the ceremony wedding breakfast was partaken of at the home of the bride's mother, Rimu Street, Frankton. Mr. and Mrs. Schroeder, who were the recipients of many and valuable presents, left in the afternoon by train for Auckland, where the honeymoon was spent. The bride's travelling dress was a beautifully tailored costume, with almond green hat to match.

A POPULAR POSTMISTRESS HONORED

On Wednesday evening, March 26, a very pleasant function took place at the St. Bathans hall, when the residents met to bid farewell to Mrs. Coffey, who, having filled the position of postmistress at St. Bathans for the last ten years was about to retire and take her departure for her home in Ireland. During the evening Mr. Joe McDevitt (who ably acted as chairman) presented Mrs. Coffey with a well filled purse from the residents of St. Bathans and surrounding districts. In his remarks he dwelt on the many good qualities of the lady whom they had met to honor. In her position as postmistress she had at all times shown a great tact and possessed of rare gift of service. The community felt that they were sustaining a very great loss, but appreciated Mrs. Coffey's desire to be with her mother in her declining years. They wished her God speed on her journey. Messrs. Nicolson, Morgan, and Wade also spoke in appreciation and gratitude for many kindnesses received. Mr. W. Johnson, on behalf of the sports bodies, thanked Mrs. Coffey for the great assistance she had rendered them in her official capacity. Mr. R. Young suitably responded on behalf of Mrs. Coffey, thanking the residents of St. Bathans for their handsome gift, and remarked that he felt sure that Mrs. Coffey would ever cherish fond recollections of her stay in that district. Musical items were given by Mrs. Johnstone, the Misses Hanrahan, Campbell, and Wilkinson, Messrs. McConnochie and Christopher, while Mr. P. Dillon, sen., gave a much appreciated exhibition with his dancing doll. The accompaniments were played by Mrs. W. McConnochie and Miss Nicolson. After supper was served dancing was indulged in. Everyone present recognised the function as being one of the most successful held in St. Bathans for a considerable time.

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