

a boy with his father, settling at the West Coast of the South Island. He was there for some years before migrating to Auckland to become the licensee of the Park Hotel, Wellesley Street. The deceased always took a prominent part in sport and many good performers on the turf carried his colors to victory, the best of them being Cinderella. Mr. Twohill also spent a part of his life in Australia where he was accountant to Mr. Humphrey Oxenham, a well known horse owner. Whilst in Sydney he became proprietor of several hotels. Returning to Auckland he finally settled down at the Thames, and has resided there ever since. He belonged to a family that figured prominently in the athletic world and won several cups and trophies himself; whilst his brother, Patrick Twohill, was a noted athlete. Mrs. Twohill predeceased him by several years, leaving no family. Mr. Edmund Twohill, manager of the Sailor's Home, Auckland, and the Messrs. James and Edward Twohill are his nephews. The remains of the deceased were interred at Waikaraka Cemetery.—R.I.P.

The Auckland show has been running here for the last three weeks, and has been the source of considerable attraction to all classes of the community, and no less in importance has been the interest displayed by the school children of Auckland. Many sections were set apart for the pupils of the various primary and secondary schools in map drawing, writing, woodwork, etc., and some very creditable exhibits have been submitted for inspection by the public. It is pleasing to note that amongst these exhibits the children of the Catholic schools have obtained commendable successes, one piece of work in particular from St. Mary's Convent—a beautiful hand carved panel—was the centre of much admiration. The Show is a credit to the city as well as its promoters. It is located on the Prince's Wharf recently built at a cost of something like £300,000, and is very suitable and central for such exhibitions.

#### THE GUILD OF SS LUKE, COSMAS, AND DAMIAN

As previously announced in the *Tablet*, the Catholic medical men attending the Medical Congress, held in Auckland last February decided to start in New Zealand, with the approval of the Hierarchy, a branch of the Guild of SS. Luke, Cosmas, and Damian. Dr. J. W. Maskell, who was appointed honorary secretary, *pro tem.*, at once got in touch with the Head Council in England, with the result that a branch of the Guild is now established in New Zealand under the patronage of the Archbishops and Bishops.

The aim of the Guild is to assist the moral and spiritual life of medical men by co-operation with brethren who have the same ideas and to give them, through the medium of the *Catholic Medical Guardian*, authoritative articles on current medicomoral problems.

So much that is misleading, false, and immoral is written and spoken on these problems; witness the Commission now taking evidence in New Zealand—that it is a necessity for the Catholic laity to have the correct views of the Church put before them.

The Guild welcomes among its members not only medical men but also priests, solicitors, dentists, nurses, medical students, educationists, and journalists.

The membership fee, which includes the subscription for the magazine, is 10/- a year.

At the next Medical Congress a meeting will be held at which office-bearers will be elected.

#### Ashburton

(From our own correspondent.)

June 28.

The winter meetings of the Catholic Literary and Debating Society were continued on Wednesday evening last, the president (Mr. Wm. Bryant) presiding. The programme took the form of an impromptu debate entitled, "Was the Recent Railway Strike Justified." The affirmative was taken by Mr. L. Ryan, Father Brown, and Mr. Geo. Hutchinson, and the negative by Messrs. Val Cullen, W. Bryant, and T. Gorman. After an interesting debate, a popular vote resulted in the affirmative winning.

The members of the Catholic Club were entertained on Tuesday evening last by the members of the St. Stephen's

Club, the occasion being the annual inter-club debate. The subject debated was "Whether an Assisted Immigration Policy is necessary for the development of New Zealand." The St. Stephen's representatives, Messrs. Richardson (leader), Furley, and Peters opened in the affirmative, while Messrs. L. T. J. Ryan (leader), W. Bryant, and V. Cullen supported the negative. Mr. A. K. North, a prominent local solicitor acted in the capacity of judge. His decision was given in favor of the Catholic Club. The speech of Mr. L. T. J. Ryan (leader of the negative) was the best heard here during recent years, and was described by many "bold heads" as *excellent*.

#### BAZAAR AT METHVEN.

(From our Ashburton correspondent.)

A very successful bazaar was held on Thursday and Friday, 12th and 13th ult., in the Town Hall in aid of the funds of the Catholic Church. Although the weather on Thursday evening was very wintry, there was an excellent attendance and good business was done at the various stalls and side shows. On Friday the weather was more favorable, and the stallholders and other helpers had an exceptionally busy time. On Thursday evening a tug-of-war was held and there were five teams entered. The teams consisted of five men, average weight not over 12 stone, and the contest created a great amount of interest. The winning team was Rakaiia, Mr. G. Tattersson being captain. There were numerous competitions and valuable prizes were given for the winners. An afternoon tea and supper room, in charge of Mrs. Denis McKendry and a bevy of efficient assistants did good business. The following were in charge of the various stalls:—Fancy Work Stall, Mrs. D. A. Black and Mrs. J. McAnulty. Confectionary Stall, Miss Cosgriff and Miss R. McKendry. Produce Stall, Miss Brophy, Miss Kennedy and Mrs. Baker. The Rev. Father Price, who carried out the secretarial duties, in a neat little speech thanked all who had assisted in making the bazaar such a great success. A dance on Friday evening terminated proceedings, for which those in charge deserve hearty congratulations for their efforts for so good a purpose.

#### CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION AT NAE R

The sun a beautiful golden orb in its canopy of blue greeted us this Sunday for our great open air Corpus Christi procession (writes our Napier correspondent, under date June 24). The altar was tastefully decorated with flowers and candles and the maze of color lent a serenely harmonising effect to all surrounding glory in our church for this festival. The Catholics of Napier have reason to be proud of their number and the manner in which the ceremony was gone through. The choir was at its best under the baton of Mr. F. O'Shannessy, whereas the glorious rendering of the hymns by the Maori scholars from the convent was something hard to be eclipsed; their voices blending in such beautiful harmony as to almost thrill the listening congregation. The procession itself was a sight to behold, and to witness such a display of Catholic faith must have been very gratifying to Father Tymons. The Rev. Father Schaeffer preached a fine sermon in connection with the festival. The numerous Catholic societies and sodalities were all well represented in the procession.

#### THE IRISH SOCIETY, DUNEDIN

The monthly meeting of the Irish Society was held in the Overseas Club room on Tuesday evening, the 24th ult. Mr. J. McGuire (vice-president) occupied the chair, and apologised for the absence of the president (Mr. P. J. Wilson). There was a fair attendance, and an open programme was presented, each item being well received. The following contributed to the programme:—Pianoforte solo, Beethoven's "Sonata Pathetique," Miss Moira Coughlan; song, "My Dear Soul," Miss Simons; recitation, "An Incident in the Franco-Prussian War," Miss Molly Gallagher, A.T.C.L.; song, "Russian Love Song," Mr. F. Rodgers; recitation, "Pat McGhee," Miss Heley; song, "The String of Pearls," Miss Bills; pianoforte solo, "Impromptu Mazurka," Miss Whelan; song, "The Harp That Once," Miss McElligott; musical monologue, "Spotty," Miss Molly Gallagher, A.T.C.L.; song, "Comrades of Mine," Mr. Fox. Miss Sandys was the accompanist.

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