

LIGHTHOUSE AT MANUKAU HEADS

SEE-SAW.

An artist went to sea to see, What he could see at sea to draw, He only saw what all men see— The sea was all the artist saw; And when he saw he'd seen the sea, Proceeded he the scene to draw, And since his scene I've often seen, I've seen the sea the artist saw. L.P.R.C. BUSINESS.

St. Joseph's Orphanage, Upper Hutt, 4th December, 1924.

"Anne,"

Tablet Office,

Dunedin.

Dear Anne,

Will you please thank Reina Burke of Manakau for her kindness in sending us 2/6 for the little orphans. May God bless her for her act of charity.

Thanking you for your kind Christmas Music.

I remain,

Yours sincerely,

SISTER M. AMBROSE. (Hope you will see this Reina and always manage to save a few pence for our Little

People who are orphans.—Anne.) The children of St. Vincent de l'aul Orphanage, South Dunedin, desire to return their since thanks for the Christmas gift of ten shillings and sixpence contributed by the Little People and forwarded to the orphanage by "Anne." The orphans send their hearty greetings for Christmas and

New Year to Anne and all her Little People. No more to-night. Look out for news of a competition next week. I'm expecting to get a very big mail before Christmas, please don't forget me.

ANNE.

That is the Christian faith which has been taught always, everywhere and by all.—St. Vincent of Lerins.

OAMARU NOTES (From our own Correspondent.)

December 18.

Prize distributions and school break-ups are the order of the day. The local Catholic schools held theirs during the week, and the ceremonies connected with them passed off very pleasantly. No doubt in due course the lists will go to swell the volume that will descend on the *Tablet* office during the next week or so.

A scholarship at St. Patrick's College valued at $\pounds 66$ per annum and tenable for three years, was won won by Rupert Cuddon-Large, a lad at St. Thomas's Acadmy. He is not yet thirteen years of age and the scholarship is open to those up to fourteen..

Among the pupils of the various North Otago schools securing proficiency and competency certificates occurs the name of Henry Rowe, of St. Joseph's School, Oamaru, he having secured one of competency.

The town is sprucing itself up in view of the usual influx of visitors from other centres. The gardens, under its new head from Dunedin Gardens, is looking charming. The horough staff is busy making the rough ways plain by filling up pot holes in the roads and treating them to a sprinkling of sand and tar, for motor traffic on our streets is now very large.

The erection of the War Memorial is now well advanced, and to all appearances will add an additional feature to a street which visiting people give rank as one of the finest thoroughfares in the Dominion.

Most of St. Thomas's Academy boarders have dispersed to their various homes. So the Sisters will have a quiet time for the next next few weeks. But despite the academithe Sisters will have a quiet time for the ciaus' boyish pranks and the shouts of the young voices while they are at play, we will welcome their return.

Miss Tui Hutton, a pupi of the ocal convent, secured her L.A.B. (eTachers' Certificate) as a result of the recent examination under the Associated Board of the Royal College of Music and Royal Academy of Music.

The girls' social club met on Monday evening and decided on a picnic at one of the popular holiday resorts called Waianakarua. The outing is to take place on the 20th, of which more anon.

While a few months ago the absence of rain presaged a lean year, now the countryside is covered with healthy crops, and grass be that there are not enough cattle to eat it.

INVERCARGILL NOTES (From our own Correspondent.)

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December 19.

The news of the death by drowning at New Brighton, Christchurch, on Sunday last, of John Patrick McMullan came as a great shock to his many friends in Invercargill. Jack was one of our most popular young men, and had spent the whole of his life in this town, having only recently been transferred to Christchurch in his capacity as a Post-Telegraph official. Mr. McMullan was a

keen footballer, and one of the founders of the Marist Old Boys' Club in this town, being for many years treasurer of the club and captain of the second fifteen. He was also secretary for a time of the Marist Brothers' Old Boys' Association, a keen member of the Literary and Debating Society, and a member of the Hibernian Society. In his official duties in the Money Order branch of the Post Office he was well known as a courteous and obliging official, and by his death the department loses a very efficient servant. Jack was, above all things, an exemplary Catholic and a splendid example of the type of young man who has been educated in a Catholic school surrounded by Catholic influences in his home life. The sympathy of all goes out to his father, sisters and brothers in their great loss .- R.I.P.

A pleasant little function took place on Sunday afternoon in St. Joseph's, when the members of the sodality of Children of Mary met to make a presentation to the Sister in charge. The Very Rev. Dean Burke made the presentation of a solid leather dressing case, and referred in his usual happy manner to the good work done by the Sister. All the girls joined in wishing Sister a pleasant holiday and hoping to have her back as directress for many more years.

PETONE CONVENT.

DISTRIBUTION OF PRIZES.

Dux of the school (gold medal presented by Father Quealy): R. Evison,

Prize for diligence: J. Bethell. Proficiency certificates: R. Evison, J. McBride, R. McGurk, E. McKee, M. Ryan, S. Hedebinger, J. Bebing, J. Be

S. Hodgkinson, L. Robinson, J. Bethell, D. Collett, D. Hill, W. Keating, W. Laracy, K. Morrison, and G. Purcell.

The following won prizes for Christian doctrine—First prizes: R. McGurk, W. Keating, A. Lazarus, J. Grace, M. Anderson, H. Gibbs, M. O'Leary, D. Nicholas, A. O'Neill, A. Gilligan, I. Barry, M. McKone, Frank Fitzgerald, J. Nicholas, R. Butcher, Mavis Ryan, and M. Whitley; 2nd prizes: Jessie McBride, E. McKee, K. Morrison, D. Hill, N. Moody, N. McGurk, J. Summers, M. Farley, G. Donovan, M. Ryan, N. Morrison, B. Higgins, K. Howard, E. Sullivan, M. McGruddy, and H. McNeill.

In the Irish History competition for primary schools in the Dominion, the second prize (silver medal) was won by N. McGurk.

Book prizes were won by J. Summers, V. Burke, J. Grace, and N. Sullivan.

Art needlework prizes-S. Hodgkinson and M. Farley.

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