

to be done in connection with parish affairs, Mr. McVeigh is quickly on the scene, anxious to give as much help as possible. It is a case of "Barkis is willing." God reward him!—Mr. McVeigh, not "Barkis."

Great sympathy is extended to Mrs. Noel Wilson on the death of her husband, which occurred last week. Mrs. Wilson, who was previously Miss Barbara Loughnan, had only been married since the end of last year. The wedding trip was spent in Australia, and the newly-married couple arrived back in Auckland when the epidemic was raging. Mr. Wilson, who was never very robust, fell a victim to the 'Flu, which rapidly developed into pneumonia. He was conveyed to his new home "Greenvale," Awapuni; and what a home-coming it was! Death was at the door to welcome him, for despite all the loving care that was lavished upon him, he failed to rally, and passed away on the 10th inst., leaving his young widow to mourn her loss.—R.I.P.

DIocese OF AUcKLAND

(From our own correspondent.)

September 21.

St. Joseph's Convent, Te Awamutu, will benefit to the extent of £300 as the outcome of a successful three days bazaar lately concluded.

The Catholic Church at Henderson was solemnly reopened on Sunday last by his Lordship Bishop Cleary, assisted by his Lordship Bishop Liston. This church, which has lately been renovated and enlarged, is under the pastoral care of Rev. Father Colgan, of Avondale.

The Catholic "Big Brother" movement inaugurated in St. Patrick's Cathedral by the Rev. Father Bradley, Adm., is the first of its kind to be established in New Zealand. From its inception it has been doing wonderfully good work among youths and young men drifting (or in danger of drifting) into religious indifference or evil ways. It is working in conjunction with the juvenile probation officer, and its beneficent activities have the warm approval of the local magistracy.

The following clerical changes have been made in the Diocese of Auckland:—Rev. Father Wright (Otahuhu) to be parish priest of Ellerslie; Rev. Father Skinner (Waiuku) to be parish priest of Otahuhu; Rev. Father Brady (Takapuna) to be parish priest of Ormond; Rev. Father Farragher (Ormond) to be parish priest of Waiuku; Rev. Father O'Connor (assistant priest at Ponsonby) to be parish priest of Takapuna; Rev. Father Buckley to St. Patrick's Cathedral; and Rev. Father Finn to be assistant priest at Onehunga.

The Month's Mind for the late Monsignor Hackett was observed at Ellerslie, on last Wednesday morning. The Right Rev. H. W. Cleary, D.D., Bishop of Auckland, presided. Right Rev. Monsignor Mahoney, V.G., and Very Rev. Dean Van Dyk assisted at the throne. Mass was sung by Right Rev. J. M. Liston, D.D., Coadjutor-Bishop of Auckland. Rev. Father Wright was deacon; Rev. Father O'Malley, subdeacon; Very Rev. Chancellor Holbrook and Rev. Father Bradley, masters of ceremonies. There was a large gathering of the laity, also representatives of the various religious Orders.

DIocese OF CHRIStCHURCH

(From our own correspondent.)

September 24.

Mr. P. F. Ryan, "Grasslea," Weedons, has been notified that he has been gazetted a Justice of Peace.

The many friends of Mr. Frank Holley, of the National Mortgage, Christchurch, will be sorry to hear that he is an inmate of the Lewisham Hospital, and his condition is serious.

The Hibernians held their euchre party in St. Mary's Memorial Hall on Wednesday evening. These functions have become so popular that it was unanimously decided to hold one weekly.

As a conclusion to the sale of work organised to defray the cost of installing the heating service at the Girls' School (Cathedral parish), a jumble sale on a large scale was held on Saturday, in the Hibernian Hall. All the assistants in the sale of work took part, and the result was very satisfactory. I think I am safe in saying that the cost of heating, which was of an extensive nature,

will be met as the result, and probably a fair amount will be available for the reduction of the debt on the school.

Superintendent B. Sheehan, who has been in charge of the Canterbury District Police Force for some time has just retired. His many friends in the Force, at a representative gathering held a few days ago, presented him with a wallet of notes, and a gold medal presented by the New Zealand Police Force after 44½ years' service. The police were represented from most parts of the South Island. In acknowledging the gifts Mr. Sheehan thanked them heartily, and said he intended making his home in Auckland, and any of his old friends visiting there could always be sure of a warm welcome from him.

Over 300 people assembled at the Art Gallery on Wednesday evening, the occasion being the complimentary dance, arranged by a committee of ladies, to the Marist senior team. The decorations were carried out in scarlet and gold, intertwined with green and black, the club's colors. Excellent music for the dancing was supplied by Rigby's jazz band. Those responsible for the arrangements were: Mesdames Blackaby, Kennedy, Misses M. Smyth, C. O'Connor, E. Rogers, E. Gleeson, K. Cronin, E. Williamson, T. Lindquist, Vera Harrington (secretary), Messrs. Grimes, Mannix, Daly, McMememin, and T. O'Rourke.

The football match between the premier clubs of Otago and Christchurch which I reported was to have taken place on last Saturday, was not played, owing to the Rugby Union's objection to two members of the Marist Club, who, they held, were not eligible to play in the match for the Payne trophy. The Marist Brothers' Old Boys' Club would not play unless the two members were included, as they hold there are no rules of the Rugby Union which could preclude them. A letter was sent to the Union to this effect, and, as a consequence, the Canterbury Rugby Union has suspended the club, and demanded that the letter to it be withdrawn.

The mutual-help sale held recently in the Hibernian Hall by the "Zealandia" stallholders of St. Mary's Carnival, was in every way a decided success. While somewhat resembling the nature of a jumble sale, arrangements were made which entirely removed the inconveniences and discomforts attendant on the ordinary "jumble." The system introduced was well thought out and left little or nothing to be improved upon, whilst any "help yourself" tendencies were kept in check. The morning and afternoon sessions proved a popular innovation, and the promoters are to be congratulated on the result, both practically and financially. By request of numerous patrons the decision to hold another mutual-help sale under similar conditions towards the end of October, was received with general approval.

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"Villa Maria," Riccarton

The successes of the pupils of the fine college for girls, conducted at "Villa Maria," Riccarton, again reflect credit on the devoted and gifted teachers, the Sisters of Mercy. At the recent examinations in Theory of Music, held in connection with Trinity College, London, the following excellent results were obtained:—Senior Honors: Moya McManaway and Dorothy Barron. Intermediate Pass: Gwen O'Malley, Nance McCullough, and Grace McCormack. Junior Honors: Monica McNamara. Junior Pass: Ruth Santos, Rena Jaggar, Pamela Coombe. Preparatory: Thelma Bennett, Rellis Buiker.

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(From our own correspondent.)

September 24.

A queen carnival has been commenced in the parish with the object of raising sufficient funds to build a new school. Miss Matheson, Arno (Scotch Queen), Miss Tagney, Morven (Erin's Queen), and Miss Geaney, Makikihi (English Queen), are the competing candidates, and keen rivalry has already been evidenced. Dances and concerts are being organised throughout the district, and strenuous preparations are being made by the various stallholders for the grand culminating effort—a seven days' bazaar—to be held in the Drill Hall, commencing on December 6. The sports committee in connection with the various stallholders are endeavoring to organise a tug-of-war competition. This should add not a little to the attractions of the carnival.

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