

WEDDING BELLS

O'SULLIVAN-DOLAN

A quiet wedding (writes a correspondent) was celebrated at the Catholic church, Rakaia, on August 1, by the Very Rev. Dean O'Donnell, the contracting parties being Miss Lizzie Dolan, second daughter of the late Daniel Dolan, of Kyle, Rakaia, and Mr. Denis O'Sullivan, of Rosevill, Timaru. The bride was given away by her brother, and looked very pretty in a charming gown of blue crepe de chene, with hat to match. She was attended by Miss Frost (niece of the bridegroom). Mr. Eugene O'Sullivan (brother of the bridegroom), acted as best man. The bridegroom's present to the bride was a beautiful diamond brooch, and to the bridesmaid a gold bangle, while the bride's present to the bridegroom was a diamond ring. After the ceremony the wedding party was entertained at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Craighead at a wedding breakfast, Mrs. A. Craighead being sister of the bridegroom. The toast of the newly-married couple was proposed by the Very Rev. Dean O'Donnell, who referred to the many good qualities of both, and wished them long life and happiness. Mr. and Mrs. O'Sullivan left by the afternoon's train en route for Auckland, where the honeymoon is being spent, taking with them the best wishes of their many friends.

OBITUARY

MRS. F. S. MURCHISON, WAIKAIA.

It is with sincere regret (writes a correspondent) that I have to record the death of Mrs. Murchison, wife of Mr. F. S. Murchison, Waikaia, which took place at Invercargill on August 8. Mrs. Murchison was the youngest daughter of the late Mr. Angus Macdonell, Glengarry, Invernesshire, and was born 54 years ago. During the last 25 years she had lived at Waikaia, where she was highly respected. About a month ago she went to Invercargill for medical treatment, and during her illness was attended by the Very Rev. Dean Burke and Rev. Father Lynch, from whom she received the last rites of the Church. The body of the deceased was brought to Waikaia for interment, and at St. Aidan's Church a Requiem Mass for the repose of the soul of the deceased was celebrated by the Rev. Father Keenan, who also officiated at the grave. The funeral cortege was one of the largest ever seen in the district. The deceased leaves a husband, five sons, three daughters, and three brothers—Messrs. Ewen Macdonell (Napier), and Alexander and Archibald Macdonell (Waikaia)—to mourn her loss.—R.I.P.

There was an excellent attendance (writes our Hokitika correspondent, under date August 2) at the meeting of the Catholic Literary and Debating Society last evening, the president, Mr. Sellers, sen., being in the chair. A very interesting debate took place on the question, 'Should preference be given married men as against single in the selection of men for Public Works by the Government?' Mr. A. Stapleton led for the affirmative, while Mr. Jas. Toomey supported the negative side. After a very keen discussion a vote was taken, with the result that the negative side won by a narrow majority.

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