

showed evidence of careful preparation, each performer not only speaking her part with clearness, but also with a keen appreciation of the spirit of the play. The choruses by the children were sung under the direction of Miss L. Leslie, who also played the accompaniments in a very tasteful manner. The handsome door prize, which was drawn for at the conclusion of the concert, was painted by Miss Airey and presented to the convent for the occasion. After the Very Rev. Mgr. O'Leary had thanked the audience for their attendance, and complimented the pupils on the merit of their performance, the concert concluded with the singing of the National Anthem.

LINCOLN

(From an occasional correspondent.)

A very successful mission, extending from Sunday, December 3, to the morning of Monday, December 11, was given in the Lincoln parish by the Rev. Father Lynch, C.S.S.R. Excellent congregations attended the two Masses and the evening service each day of the mission. On the Thursday and Friday evenings special sermons were preached on the Holy Eucharist and on devotion to the Blessed Virgin. Large numbers approached the Holy Table. Valuable assistance was given during the mission by the choir and by the ladies of the Altar Society. The mission was brought to a close on Monday, the 11th, with Mass for deceased relatives and a short discourse on the doctrine of purgatory and devotion to the holy souls.

FAIRLIE

A musical treat (writes a correspondent) was given to their friends by Mr. D. Clarke and his pupils in the Public Hall, Fairlie, on Thursday afternoon, December 7. All the pupils, most of whom had made their first appearance before an audience on this occasion, went through a very pretty programme in a most creditable manner. The vocal soloists were Miss K. Wade ('The swallows'), Mr. L. Dixon ('The yeoman's wedding,' 'The Bandolero,' and 'The dream angel'). Mr. Dixon also took part with Mr. Clarke in the duet 'Excelsior.' Mr. G. O'Dowd and Mr. Clarke sang a duet, 'Nocturne.' A quartette, unaccompanied, was rendered by Master J. O'Dowd, Mr. G. O'Dowd, Mr. D. Clarke, and Mr. L. Dixon. A trio, 'Oh, lovely peace,' was given by Miss K. Wade, Mr. Clarke, and Mr. L. Dixon. This was considered one of the best items, being beautifully rendered. A quart-

ette, unaccompanied, 'God is a spirit,' was given by Miss K. Wade, Master J. O'Dowd, Mr. D. Clarke, and Mr. G. O'Dowd. The opening duet was played by Misses K. Wheeler and J. Wright. Miss Wright also played selections from Mendelssohn and Haydn, Miss E. Wade from Dussek and Neustedt, Miss A. Schock from Beethoven and Gade, Miss B. O'Dowd from Dussek and Gade, all of whom displayed considerable artistic ability. A duet was played by Mrs. O'Toole and Mr. Clarke and a solo by Mr. Clarke. During an interval in the programme afternoon tea was handed round by the pupils. A large number of people were present, the hall being well filled with friends of the pupils and visitors. Mr. Clarke was heartily congratulated on the success of the first concert by his pupils in Fairlie.

Concert at Queenstown

The Convent School annual concert was held in the Garrison Hall, Queenstown, on Wednesday evening of last week, and proved very enjoyable. There was a very large attendance. The opening item (says the 'Wakatip Mail') was a pianoforte duet by Masters E. and J. Aldridge. Miss Julia Duhig recited 'O'Connor's statue' with considerable success. Miss Monica McBride sang 'Shadowland' in a way that betokened careful training. A pianoforte duet was then capably played by two of the pupils, Misses M. McCarthy and Rita McNeill. A charming operetta, 'The Spanish Gipsies,' was next staged with excellent effect. A large number of the school children took part in this. The music of the operetta was very pleasing, and the dancing daintily carried out, the whole reflecting much credit on the work of the Sisters. The item following this was a pianoforte duet, nicely played by the Misses L. and G. Constable. Miss B. Keay was recalled for her rendering of 'I was dreaming.' Another pianoforte duet was then given by the Misses Richards, whose performance met with the warm appreciation of the audience. A very laughable play entitled 'Mad as a Hatter' was here staged, and it must be said the youthful performers sustained the parts allotted to them in such good style and spirit that the house was kept in a state of great merriment from the rise of the curtain till its fall. The following took part: Cecil McBride, L. McNeill, Mary Boyie, Alex. Bonner, Mary McCarthy, J. McChesney, and J. McNeill. The Rev. Father O'Donnell during the evening thanked those present for their attendance, and congratulated the school on the splendid programme submitted.



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