

## WAIMATE

(From our own correspondent.)

February 12.

The Rev. Father O'Connor has been transferred to Napier. His place will be taken by the Rev. Father J. Tynons, of St. Patrick's College.

The Very Rev. Dean Regnault left on Tuesday for Meance, where he will conduct a retreat of the seminary students.

On Sunday, February 4, at 11 o'clock Mass the Rev. Father O'Connor blessed two beautiful candelabra, the gift of the Freeman family, in memory of their mother.

## TIMARU

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Great satisfaction is felt here at the steady improvement which our parish priest is making at Rotoura.

The Sacred Heart Convent commenced its scholastic year on Tuesday, the 6th. The number of boarders was in excess of the closing term last year.

His Grace the Archbishop of Melbourne, his Lordship Bishop Higgins, of Ballarat, and Bishop Grimes will arrive here to-morrow (Tuesday), and will leave by the first express on Wednesday for the south.

The Children of Mary and members of the Catechism of Perseverance class held a most enjoyable garden party in the convent grounds on Thursday. Cricket, croquet, and other lawn games were indulged in. Afternoon tea was dispensed under the trees and proved very acceptable.

## TEMUKA

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Father Goggan, the newly-appointed parish priest, is expected to arrive in Temuka early this week.

The Rev. Father Hoare, who has been assisting Father Kerley for some time past, has been appointed assistant priest at St. Mary's, Christchurch, and leaves Temuka to take up his new duties this week.

The Sisters of Nazareth, who were in Temuka collecting in aid of their Home, have now completed their task and have returned to their house. I am pleased to be able to say that they were very successful in their mission.

At a meeting of the presbytery building committee held last Tuesday evening the chairman reported that satisfactory progress with the new building had been made. The secretary (Mr. J. Moriarty) resigned his position owing to his leaving here to take up a position on the staff of the 'Tablet.'

The Father Fauvel memorial committee have given final instructions to proceed with the work of erecting a marble headstone over the grave of the late priest. The work of obtaining two enlargement photos of him, suitably inscribed (one to be placed in each of the Temuka and Kerrytown schools), has also been put in hand. It is expected that these will be finished shortly.

## GREYMOOUTH

(From our own correspondent.)

February 9.

The weather on last Wednesday was very fine for the united schools' and Friendly Societies' picnic. The site decided upon was the picturesque little township of Ahaura, which proved an ideal picnic ground. About 2500 children and adults made the trip, and a most enjoyable day was spent.

A very pleasing ceremony took place at C. Smith's drapery establishment on Saturday evening, when the employees assembled to say good-bye to Miss Emily Garth, who is leaving for Wellington. Mr. E. J. Smith (manager) in making the presentation, which consisted of a gold-mounted greenstone brooch and gold neck chain pendant, expressed his regret at losing the services of Miss Garth, who had made herself very popular with her fellow-workers and the public, and wished her every happiness and prosperity. Mr. R. C. Heffernan responded on behalf of the recipient, and thanked the donors for their generous gifts, which he said would always remind Miss Garth of the happy days spent among them in Greymouth. Miss Garth, after spending a few weeks with her parents at Ahaura, proceeds to Wellington.

A most interesting debate took place at the St. Columba Club last Monday evening, the subject being 'Is it advisable to construct a harbor at Port Elizabeth?' Mr. Wm. McEvedy, supported by Messrs. L. J. Brooks and W. Packer, took the affirmative side, whilst Messrs. T. Kennedy, W. Duffy, and J. F. Devonport spoke against the proposal. Some very good arguments were brought forward on both sides, and after a very spirited contest the judges (Rev. Father Taylor and Messrs. J. McNamara and P. White) decided in favor of the affirmative speakers, who (they said) had supplied the strongest arguments in facts and figures.

## Hastings

St. Patrick's schoolroom (says the Hastings 'Standard') was crowded on the occasion of a gathering to bid farewell to Rev. Father Galerne, S.M., who had been appointed to the Cathedral parish, Christchurch. Among those present were the Very Rev. Dean Smyth, Very Rev. Dean Binsfeld, Very Rev. Dr. Kennedy, and Rev. Father McDonald.

The musical portion of the programme, which was given by some of the best local talent and performers from Napier, was excellently arranged and enthusiastically received. The Hastings Concert Party, opened the proceedings with a selection and also rendered two other items. The following ladies and gentlemen also contributed: Misses Lee, Reidy, Vickers, and McCarthy; and Messrs. L. Fail, O'Connor, and O'Shannessy. Misses Scott and Lee, and Mrs. S. G. Poppeiwel accompanied the singers.

At the conclusion of the first part of the programme, Mr. W. Y. Dennett, on behalf of the parishioners, presented Father Galerne with an illuminated address, purse of sovereigns, and a handsome set of razors.

In the address the parishioners, in union with their esteemed pastor, Very Rev. Dean Smyth, expressed their deep regret at Father Galerne's departure. During his three years' ministration in the parish he had won the respect and affection of all. They had ample proof of his devotedness during Dean Smyth's absence in Europe, when he administered the affairs of the parish with a fatherly kindness and apostolic zeal. In asking him to accept the accompanying purse of sovereigns they expressed the hope that God would long spare him to continue his work of love and sacrifice.

In making the presentation, Mr. Dennett said that they had assembled that evening to bid good-bye to Father Galerne, but they would not let him depart from their midst without showing their appreciation of his sterling qualities, and the good work he had done amongst them during his three years' stay in Hastings. He trusted that the Rev. Father would be spared for many years to continue his noble work of sacrifice, and hoped at no very distant date to have the rev. gentleman back in their midst.

Very Rev. Dean Smyth also referred to the good qualities of Father Galerne, and to the great loss he (Dean Smyth) would sustain by his departure. He too would wish him au revoir, and hoped to have a visit from Father Galerne at an early date.

Very Rev. Dean Binsfeld and Very Rev. Dr. Kennedy also spoke of the good qualities of the rev. gentleman.

The Rev. Father Galerne said the parting that evening brought back to him the parting which he underwent some 16 years ago, when he left his dear home for a land 20,000 miles away to enter the priesthood. He had had many partings during the last 12 years, but, as the soldier must obey the general, he also had to give way to his superiors, though he assured them he felt it very much. He referred to the kindly feelings of friendship which had always existed between him and the congregation, and the many lessons of piety, zeal and devotion which he had copied from his superior, Dean Smyth.

The Rev. Father Galerne was the recipient of numerous other presents at the close of the evening, and the large congregation took the opportunity of personally bidding him good-bye.

## Notice to Canterbury Clergy

His Lordship the Bishop of Christchurch requests us to make the following announcement to the priests of Canterbury: to substitute for the present 'oratione imperata' the 'orationem ad postulandam serenitatem.'

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