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ST. MARY'S PARISH SCHOOL, WELLINGTON

(From our own correspondent.)

This has been a week for the distribution of prizes—a week in which Catholics realise more than at any other time what they are doing in the matter of the education of their children, and what splendid work is being done by the members of the religious Orders that have the management and control of their schools. The reports of the teaching at the several schools under the charge of the Sisters of Mercy have been, as usual, good; and the entertainments that we see each year at these 'break-ups' are a strong testimony of the zeal and untiring efforts of the good Sisters for the children under their care. A pleasing feature of these gatherings was the large number of parents and friends that assembled to show their interest in the schools. The prize-winners are as follows:—

Good Conduct.—Senior Division: Silver medal, Cissie Dwyer; next in merit, Alice Maher; boys—prize, Philip Dee. Junior Division: Prize, Maggie Burns.

Christian Doctrine.—First Division: Gold medal, Mary Dimond; second in merit, Annie Park; boys—second in merit, Leo M'Alister. Second Division: Tottie Gibbs; Alice Maher and Eily Mulhane (equal in merit). 2. Third Division: Florrie Owen; next in merit, Myra Duggan. Fourth Division: Birdie Fitzgerald. Fifth Division: Mary Sheehy.

Standard VII.—Arithmetic and writing, Cissie Dwyer; arithmetic and English, Doris Cropp; composition, Annie Park; recitation, Doris Cropp and Annie Park; diligence, Cissie Dwyer; general improvement, Philip Dee.

Standard VI.—Diligence, Alice Maher; arithmetic, Wilfrid Blake; composition, Mary Savage and Frank Leydon; English, Willie Scrimgeour and Mary Dimond; reading, Leo M'Alister and Frank Leydon; writing, Evyleen Guilford; drawing, Michael Dee; needlework, Evyleen Guilford; regular attendance, Wilfrid Blake.

Standard V.—Arithmetic, Eily Mulhane and Lance Butcher; composition, Tottie Gibbs; diligence, Cyril Mulhane; recitation, Tottie Gibbs; English, Doris Nagle; reading, Mary Coffey; writing, Ida Mulhane; general improvement, Eileen Wareham.

Standard IV.—Arithmetic, Maggie Burns; spelling, Hazel Davis; reading, Jack Keegan; writing, Nellie Keegan; geography, Lizzie O'Gorman.

Standard III.—Arithmetic, Frank Dwyer and Emmet Mulhane; spelling, Dolly Rice; reading, Gerald Gibbs; writing, Maggie Myers; geography, George Dimond; composition, Birdie Fitzgerald; diligence, Frances Butcher.

Standard II.—Arithmetic, Daphne Davis and Hugh O'Sullivan; geography, Tommy Tiller; reading, Mabel Stapleton and Teresa Levin; spelling, Eva Burns; diligence, Monica Murphy; general improvement, May Quilici and Delia O'Gorman.

CONVENT HIGH SCHOOL, PONSONBY

The annual exhibition and distribution of prizes in connection with St. Mary's Convent High School, Ponsonby, took place on December 12. The hall, which was tastefully decorated, was crowded with the parents and friends of the pupils, among those present being the Right Rev. Dr. Lenihan, Monsignor O'Reilly, Rev. Fathers Duffy, Molloy, and Williams. A high-class musical programme was creditably gone through, the duos and trios being admirably played. Miss D. White, in her piano solo, showed considerable musical ability. The choruses were sung with great sweetness, and showed very careful training. The songs by Misses M. Kelly and A. Sarah were deservedly applauded, and the harp solo by Miss J. Hutchinson was excellently rendered. After the entertainment the visitors assembled in the study hall, where the work, consisting of paintings, plain and fancy needlework, dressmaking, and carving, were on exhibition and were much admired. His Lordship presented the medals, certificates, and prizes as follows:—

Gold Medals.—Katie Mahoney (Day School), Mary Gallagher (Boarding School), for conduct; Queenie Knock, Christian doctrine; J. Hutchinson, diligence; N. Montague, music (senior honours); A. Sarah, singing.

Special Prizes for Christian Doctrine.—Elsie Maguire, Dorothy Sneddon, Sarah Ralph, Evie Lynch, Nora M'Manus, and Marie Casey.

Matriculation and Civil Service Class.—W. Hipkins, aggregate marks; K. Mahoney, English and French; J. Amodeo, essay writing; K. Ralph, mathematics; G. Casey, mathematics; K. Anderson, arithmetic; K. Gleeson, science.

Class VII.—A. M'Caig, aggregate marks; K. M'Govern, arithmetic and science; E. Maguire, geography and writing; M. Gallagher, science and arithmetic; E. Cullen, algebra and needlework; G. Frodsham, geography; W. Eddowes, essay writing; N. Montague, science and reading; K. Taylor, writing and geography; K. Finane, general proficiency.

Class VI.—E. Foreman, aggregate marks; D. White, drawing and mapping; Q. Knock, arithmetic and reading; F. Histed, conduct and application; D. Webber, general pro-

ficiency; C. Gibbons, application; L. Bailey, general proficiency; D. M'Garry, reading and needlework; W. Smith, general proficiency; E. O'Brien, science; M. Ryan, English.

Class V.—G. Simmons, aggregate marks; H. Dalby, conduct and reading; C. Twoomey, general proficiency; C. Gallagher, reading; E. Barnes, needlework and general proficiency; A. Sneddon, geography.

Class IV.—R. Ralph, aggregate marks; E. Dalby, arithmetic and writing; M. Tole, composition and history; M. Ralph, general proficiency; S. Fraser, arithmetic; R. Shirley, reading; C. Little, conduct and drawing; I. M'Garry, writing; G. Wakefield, general proficiency; G. Tole, general proficiency; M. Raynes, writing; M. Lewis, history.

Class III.—D. Sneddon, aggregate marks; I. Dalby, arithmetic; P. Darby, drawing and writing; M. Noton, arithmetic; L. Gallagher, reading; D. Murphy, general proficiency; R. Ralph, history; D. Malavey, conduct and drawing.

Class II.—M. M'Veagh, aggregate marks; G. Darby, arithmetic and reading; S. Ralph, general proficiency.

Class I.—M. Hahn, aggregate marks; E. Lynch, reading; L. Harris, writing and recitation; N. M'Manus, recitation and reading; I. Noton, drawing and writing; W. Gray, general proficiency; A. Ralph, arithmetic.

Music.—J. Amodeo, J. Hutchinson, M. Kelly, K. Mahoney, E. Cullen, D. White, A. M'Caig, G. Frodsham, M. Gallagher, L. Bailey, Margaret Ralph, C. Gallagher, E. Barnes.

French.—J. Hutchinson, A. M'Caig, G. Casey, F. Histed, S. Fraser, M. M'Veagh, A. Sneddon, A. Ralph.

Painting.—L. Bailey, G. Frodsham. Needlework.—E. Foreman, R. Ralph, E. Dalby, M. Noton, E. Lynch.

Elocution.—H. Dalby, G. Simmons.

Chip Carving.—E. Foreman, E. Barnes.

Dressmaking.—M. Kelly, K. M'Govern, M. Gallagher.

Physical Culture.—F. Histed, E. Dalby.

Special Prizes for Aggregate Marks in Boarding School.—S. Fraser, P. Darby.

Honorable Mentions for Music.—K. Ralph, W. Hipkins, K. Gleeson, K. M'Govern, Flo Histed, E. Gallagher, C. Gibbons, G. Simmons, H. Dalby, C. Twoomey, R. Shirley, R. Ralph, E. Dalby, G. Wakefield, M. Raynes, R. Ralph, D. and I. M'Garry, I. Dalby, P. Darby, L. Gallagher, S. Ralph, G. Darby, M. M'Veagh, E. Lynch, L. Harris.

Honorable Mentions for French.—D. White, M. Gallagher, G. Simmons, M. Lewis.

Honorable Mentions for Etching.—A. M'Caig, E. Cullen.

Honorable Mentions for Elocution.—M. Kelly, L. Bailey, E. Gallagher.

Honorable Mentions for Bookkeeping.—K. Ralph, F. Histed.

ST. MARY'S CONVENT SELECT SCHOOL, WANGANUI

The Opera House, Wanganui, was crowded with an appreciative audience on the occasion of the annual breaking-up entertainment by the pupils of St. Mary's Convent Select School. The first part of the programme was made up of choruses, piano and vocal solos, which were capitally rendered. 'Queen Mab and the Fairies' was very pretty indeed, and deserved the hearty encore it received. 'The Last Rose of Summer,' with humming accompaniment, was also very nice. It would be hardly fair to pick out any individual young lady; suffice it to say that every one did splendidly, and the unstinted applause from the large audience was well deserved. During the evening the orchestra, under Mr J. L. Beck, gave some fine selections, as well as accompanying several of the various items. The second part of the programme consisted of a play entitled 'Lady Emmeline Hargrave; or, The Witch of Bramble Hollow.' The various young people who took part deserve great praise for the fine delivery of their lines. At the conclusion of the entertainment the Very Rev. Dean Grogan thanked all present on behalf of the Sisters, also the young people who had given such a pleasant evening, and asked Mrs Mackay (Mayoress) to present the prizes. The following was the programme:—Chorus (with orchestra), 'Away, Away,' senior girls; 'Scherzo and Trio' (Schubert), Miss A. Sullivan; vocal solo, 'Irish Lullaby,' Miss J. Lloyd; chorus, 'There's a Sweet Wild Rose,' St. Joseph's pupils; vocal selection, 'The Slave Song,' Miss A. Sullivan; violin selection, 'Minuet and Trio' (Mozart's Symphony); Masters H. Hunt and G. Smithies, Misses M. Power, I. Olberg, and L. Swan; vocal solo, 'Sunshine and Rain,' Miss M. King; chorus, 'Has Sorrow Thy Young Days Shaded,' senior girls; vocal solo, 'Samson and Delila,' Miss D. Carroll; piano solo, 'Papillons,' Miss R. Perrett; drill, Infants' Select High School; vocal solo, 'Out on the Rocks,' Miss Wallace; chorus, 'The Last Rose of Summer' (Moore), senior girls; chorus, 'Good Night, Beloved,' senior pupils; piano solo, Miss L. Shanly. The following took part in the play:—Misses Skinner, J. Lloyd, L. Shanley, A. Sullivan, N. Duffy, M. King, M. Gerrigan, H. Wood, M. Herlihy, A. O'Sullivan, M. Mahony, E. M'Kenna, F. Manson, E. Quinlivan, M. O'Brien, R. Punch, V. Neylon, L. Riddell, and G. Hearn.

The following is the prize list:—

Amiability Crown (chosen by votes of companions).—Miss M. Old (medal, gift of Rev. Father Mahony).

Dux (gold medal, Archbishop's prize).—Miss Ella Mahony.

Good Conduct (gold medal).—Miss Krina Morgan.

Christian Doctrine (gold medal, gift of Convent).—Miss M. Kerrigan, Miss M. Loftus.

Matriculation Class (gold medal).—Miss J. Lloyd.