

heart in money or in treasures.' 'Watching for riches consumeth the flesh and the thought thereof driveth away sleep.' Silver ink-stands and gold pencil-cases, not even ivory-handled walking-sticks and well-filled purses are worth going after or disturbing your nerves over them. It was some of yourselves that suggested this all-round-the-world trip. I took it as a hint that though a constant student of books, reviews, and magazines, I must be falling behind the times and becoming a routinist and flabby. No doubt long residence out here on the outskirts of civilisation must throw one behind in many things. I have taken your hint then, and I go for a year to study in the long halls of the great world-university. I shall dispose of your material attachment in going here and there among the nooks and crannies of its mighty museums and libraries. I shall be as observant as possible and shall have many things strange and new to tell you on my return. Meantime I hope that no mishap shall befall you and that I shall find you healthy, happy, and high-spirited as this beautiful plenty-promising sea-



Very Rev. Dean Burke

son leaves you. The only reason, I think, for meetings like this is to show kindness and goodwill. When these feelings are sincere and the demonstration spontaneous, the person in whose honor the gathering takes place might justly feel gratified. Hence I am grateful to you for asking me to meet you here this evening. Thanks and farewell.

The Rev. Father Delany then spoke a few words on his assumption of duties in Invercargill. He said he would do his best to fill the gap caused by the Dean's absence, and though he could not be like him he would be as like him as he was able to be.

During the evening a musical programme was contributed to by Misses Kirwan, Ilshon, and Stone, and Messrs. R. Burke, J. McNamara, J. Mulvey, and N. Collins.

The amount accompanying the address was about £200.

A vote of thanks to the chairman for presiding brought the proceedings to a close.

Victoria has contributed £4500 to the Home Rule cause.

Three costly stained-glass memorial windows are in course of erection in St. Patrick's Cathedral, Ballarat, the donors being Rev. Dr. McManamy, and Messrs. James Coughlan and Thomas Loughlan.

The housewife need not worry herself about jam-making nowadays, for she can purchase a pure article like the St. George Jam at less than the home-made article will cost. Messrs. Irvine and Stevenson, Ltd., Dunedin, make all kinds of jams and jellies, which are put up in convenient-size tins or glass jars, and are obtainable from all grocers....

Diocesan News

ARCHDIOCESE OF WELLINGTON

(From our own correspondent.)

March 2.

The sports' gathering which the Hibernians and the Catholic Young men are to hold on St. Patrick's Day promises to eclipse all former gatherings on the Irish national festival. Mr. J. J. Callaghan recently paid a visit to Christchurch to be present at the championships meeting, and I learn that, as a result of his efforts, most of the prominent athletes will be seen performing here on the above occasion. The committee appointed to arrange the gathering is sparing no efforts to ensure success, and the earnest co-operation of all is well deserved.

There has been a great revival here in amateur athletics. For some time past it has been usual to hold evening meetings of three or four events. One of the most interesting and the largest attended of these gatherings was held on Wednesday evening on the Basin Reserve, under the auspices of the Catholic Young Men's Club. The 120 yds race was won by Wilton, the three-quarter mile by R. Gosling, and the mile walk by H. Kerr. The last-mentioned event caused considerable interest, and Kerr, who put up a fine performance, received a warm reception. The meeting reflects great credit on the energy of club members, and the secretary, Mr. Charles Gamble, deserves more than a word of praise.

The question of fires on wool ships has long agitated the minds of shippers. One of our young men, Mr. L. Reichel, Government Electrician, has been giving his attention to the matter, and he has now patented an invention for detecting the presence of moisture in wool and fibre bales. The principle underlying the patent is that wool and fibre are, when dry, perfect non-conductors, but when moisture is present they are converted into conductors of electricity. Mr. Reichel's patent is a simple contrivance, and on Wednesday he gave a demonstration of its use in the Harbour Board's flax and wool shed. The demonstration was highly successful, and those who witnessed it are satisfied with the efficacy of the design.

The arrangements are now well in hand in connection with the bazaar to be held in the Skating Rink at Easter for the purpose of raising funds for the Maritime Catholic Church, which parish is administered by St. Patrick's College Fathers. The authorities have secured a fine and suitably situated section, and have had erected a fine commodious chapel and residence, leaving plenty of room for future extensions. Every Saturday and Sunday one of the College Fathers stays at the bay to attend to the spiritual wants of those resident there, and others who make it a custom of putting in the week ends at the popular seaside resort. The expenses in securing this valuable property have been considerable, and it is to be hoped that those who have been working for the bazaar will meet with the success they deserve. The bazaar will be run for a week. There will be three fancy stalls. The stallholders are Mesdames A. R. Bunney, F. G. Bolton, John Gallagher, M. Segriff, W. Halse, J. P. Kelly, C. McKeehan, R. Brady, Misses Butler and Duignan. The committee consist of Very Rev. Father Keogh, S.M. (chairman), the lady stallholders, and Messrs. J. P. Kelly and Fred. W. Crombie (hon. secretary). An art union is being held in connection with the bazaar.

The seventeenth half-yearly meeting of the Catholic Young Men's Club was held in St. Patrick's Hall on Monday evening. The attendance was the largest for many years, and clearly showed the flourishing condition of the society. The chair was occupied by the president, Rev. Father O'Shea, S.M., who, in moving the adoption of the report and balance sheet, referred in congratulatory terms to the continued progress of the club in its several branches. Recent successes proved that members possessed the ability to hold their own both in physical as well as in mental effort. The outside public would judge the club by its results, and he sincerely hoped that the success of the past term would be repeated in the next, and that the club would become what it ought to be, the premier young men's club in the city. The Rev. Father Venning, S.M., in seconding the report, expressed the great pleasure he felt in seeing our young men coming to the front. He trusted they would be encouraged by the results achieved, and continue in the

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