

were put to the meeting and agreed to. The following were appointed members of the executive committee:—Messrs. W. Coughlan, J. B. Callan, jun., M. Loughnan, J. Hally, T. J. Hussey, J. Geerin, P. O'Neill, Cotter, J. O'Neill, Watson, T. Deehan, P. P. Fleming, D. Corcoran, and W. P. Rodgers. A subscription list was then opened, with the result that promises close on £200 were received. The Rev. Father Coffey, in bringing the meeting to a close, said that the liberal response of those present was a good augury for the success of the undertaking.

### Invercargill

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

June 22.

The Rev. Father Lowham, C.S.S.R., is on a visit to Invercargill. He preached on Sunday evening to a large congregation.

A very interesting lecture on 'Electricity,' by Brother Alfred, was the programme at the weekly meeting of the Catholic Club on Tuesday evening. There was a large attendance of members.

The quarterly meeting of St. Mary's branch of the H.A.C.B. Society was held on Wednesday evening. The Vice-President (Brother Sims) presided over a large attendance of members. Nominations for the various offices were received. The receipts for the evening amounted to £32 8s.

The Invercargill Catholic Club held their annual social in the Victoria Hall on Wednesday evening. The function was well attended, and proved very successful; this being due in a great measure to the excellent arrangements of the secretary, Mr. C. Maher.

The Athletic Football Club, playing their first match in the second round of the competitions, met and defeated Waikiki by 20 points to nil. The Athletic Second also met a team from the Waikiki Club, and defeated them by 25 points to 3 points. In the Schools' Competition played on Saturday the Marist Brothers defeated Park School by 45 points to nil.

### DIOCESE OF AUCKLAND

(By Telegraph.—From Our Own Correspondent.)

June 22.

Kubelik, the famous violinist, arrived here yesterday. He is a Knight of the Order of St. Gregory.

At St. Benedict's yesterday High Mass was celebrated at eleven o'clock, after which there was Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until Vespers. After Vespers a special sermon was preached, followed by procession of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction.

On the Feast of Corpus Christi Solemn High Mass was celebrated at the Cathedral, a feature of the service being the singing of the Gregorian music by the children from St. Mary's Orphanage.

Sir Robert Stout contributed an article to last Saturday's 'Herald' on the advantage to youths of useful and extensive reading, and gave one quotation only, and that was to repeat the old and unhistoric falsehood that the Catholic Church was responsible for the St. Bartholomew Massacre.

In the 'Tablet' of June 11 an error occurred in the transmission of the report. Rev. Father O'Hara has taken charge of Puhoi, not of Paeroa. The meeting referred to related to the Sacred Heart parish and reduction of the parochial debt, and not to the Devonport parish. Further changes in the diocesan clergy are pending, announcement of which will soon be made.

An impressive ceremony was held at the Cathedral yesterday. Solemn High Mass was celebrated by Rev. Father Wright, Rev. Father Farthing deacon, Rev. Father Murphy subdeacon. The 'Te Deum' was sung by the choir, which rendered the music of the Mass excellently under the conductorship of Mr. Hiscocks. After Mass there was a procession of the Blessed Sacrament in the church. It was said to be the finest procession yet seen in the Cathedral. The devotion of the Forty Hours' Adoration was then begun. This evening Rev. Father Doyle will preach, and after High Mass on Tuesday morning the devotion closes with procession of the Blessed Sacrament.

### Gisborne

(From our travelling correspondent.)

June 16.

Gisborne was en fête on Saturday last in honor of the visit to the district of the Premier (Sir

Joseph Ward), who in the afternoon opened a further length of the Gisborne-Motu railway line, and in the evening addressed a crowded audience in the theatre.

Mr. W. Hackett, who for a considerable time has been confined to his room through a severe attack of illness, is now, I am happy to say, convalescent.

After Benediction on Sunday evening last the Rev. Father Lane, on behalf of the St. Mary's choir, Gisborne, presented the Messrs. Vita Bros. with a purse of sovereigns as a token of appreciation for their assistance to the choir. Although only associated with the choir for a few months they have by the aid of their splendid instrumental playing helped to bring the St. Mary's choir into the front rank. Mr. Vita returned thanks on behalf of his brother and himself, and assured the members that they were only too anxious to do all in their power for the church.

The Feast of Pentecost was celebrated in an especially solemn manner in St. Mary's Church, Gisborne. The Children of Mary had charge of the decorations in the church, and as a result of their labors the high altar and sanctuary presented a beautiful appearance. The Rev. Father Dignan, of Ormond, preached to large congregations both morning and evening on the significance of the day's festival. The St. Mary's choir (Miss M. Neill at the organ) sang Farmer's Mass in a very creditable manner. A gratifying feature of the day's solemnities was the large body of parishioners who approached the Holy Table.

### Napier

(By telegraph from our own correspondent.)

The Triduum in honor of the Blessed Sacrament was held here, commencing on Friday. There was Solemn High Mass on Sunday, and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until Vespers.

It has been decided to hold a bazaar in December for the liquidation of the debt on the Marist Brothers' School, and the expenses incurred in painting St. Patrick's Church.

The Catholic young men met last Friday and revived the Catholic Club. The first debate of the season is to take place on Tuesday evening, the subject being, 'Should the Chinese be allowed in New Zealand?'

The Marist Brothers' School football team completed the school tournament last Saturday. They have won every match played.

### Stratford

(From our own correspondent.)

June 17.

The parish schools closed for the winter vacation on Friday last.

We held our second social for this year on June 17, and again success attended our efforts. The large Town Hall was crowded. The Rev. Father Treacy announced this morning that over £500 had been cleared by socials during his seven years' administration.

Properties and farms are again changing hands, and at advanced prices, and one wonders when the limit will be reached. There is one thing evident, and that is that the present holders of farm land must consider seriously the question of scientific farming to show a credit balance. The style of farming indulged in when land was cheap will not answer with present prices.

Last Sunday the funeral of Mr. John Breen, of the Bird Road, whose death was the result of an accident, took place. He died fortified by the rites of the Church, and the large cortege that followed the remains testified to the respect and esteem in which the family are held. At our socials the late Mr. Breen always played a prominent part. The Rev. Father Treacy made touching reference to the good qualities of the deceased, and his fortitude when he knew that death was only a matter of a few days.—R.I.P.

### CONSUMPTION.

The Consumption world has waited, waited, waited for some genuine cure to be discovered for centuries past, and in the meantime has been swindled right and left by fraudulent quacks and impostors claiming to have a cure for this fell disease. Everyone will admit that coughs and colds are weakening; that if not cured in a reasonable and rational manner they leave the lungs and throat in such a weak condition that consumption has a mighty good start. The consumptive microbe grows, develops, and multiplies in weak and cough-injured lung-spots—never in strong lungs.

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Forgotten that SYMINGTON'S COFFEE ESSENCE! Whatever shall I do? Call at the nearest Store and ask. THEY ALL KEEP IT