

and horses of that description are exceedingly hard to place, consequently business was limited. There were several buyers present for good young, sound geldings fit for town work, and all our consignments from the country changed hands at satisfactory prices. In draught mares and geldings of good stamp, young and staunch, a very good business could be done if any such were coming into the market. Spring-vanners and spring-carters have not been so scarce in Dunedin for a very long time, and any consignments of these sorts coming forward meet a ready sale and realise full rates. We quote:

Superior young draught geldings, at from £45 to £50; extra good ditto (prize-winners), at from £50 to £55; superior young draught mares, at from £50 to £60; medium draught mares and geldings, at from £30 to £40; aged ditto, at from £15 to £20; well-matched carriage pairs, at from £70 to £100; strong spring-van horses, at from £25 to £30; milk-cart and butchers' order-cart horses, at from £18 to £35; light hacks, at from £8 to £13; extra good hacks and harness horses, at from £13 to £25; weedy and good ditto, at from £5 to £7.

WELLINGTON

(From an occasional correspondent.)

The St. Anne's church choir intend rendering 'Mendelssohn's 'Lauda Sion' one Sunday evening early in August.

Yesterday (Sunday) there was Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Mary of the Angels' Church from the eleven o'clock Mass until evening devotions.

At all the Masses on Sunday at St. Mary's of the Angels' Church the clergy drew the attention of the congregations to the fact that the representative of the 'Tablet' was in Wellington, and they urged them all to become subscribers. The Very Rev. Father Regnault (Provincial) gave an excellent address on the value of Catholic newspapers.

The penny collection for the schools in the Te Aro parish for the month of June at St. Joseph's and St. Mary's Churches amounted to nearly £19. The social gathering in aid of the schools of the Te Aro parish will be held in the Town Hall on Wednesday, August 5. The tickets are going off very well.

The social, under the auspices of the Petone Catholic Club, was held in the Drill Hall on Wednesday evening, and was attended by a large number of members and their friends. Vocal items were rendered by Misses Fraser and Jones, Messrs. Cronin, Jackson, Miller, and Twohill, and the music was supplied by Misses Gaynor and Gray and Messrs. Cornell and Butterworth, the orchestra of the latter being greatly appreciated. Messrs. Fleet, Cummings, Gray, Silver, Walton, and the secretary (Mr. A. A. Cairns) worked energetically to make the social a success.

A sacred concert was given at St. Anne's Church Newtown, last Sunday evening by the members of the choir, assisted by some friends. The items were principally taken from Gounod's 'Messe Solennelle' (St. Cecilia). The choruses were well rendered by the choir, which numbered nearly 60 voices. The soloists were Misses Bella Jones, Segrief, Dora Carroll, and Messrs. W. B. Harkin, E. B. L. Reade, and J. Flanagan, who were very successful in the singing of their parts, showing that careful attention was devoted to the rehearsing. Mr. D. J. O'Keefe conducted, Miss K. Henderson presided at the organ, and Miss Evatt at the piano. Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament followed, the Rev. Father Herbert, S.M., officiating.

At the weekly meeting of the Wellington Catholic Club Literary and Debating Society, held last Monday night, the subject debated was—'That excessive wealth is more harmful than excessive poverty?' Mr. C. J. Pfaff, supported by Mr. O'Connor, led in the affirmative, and Mr. G. Schmidt, supported by Mr. L. Frost, led in the negative. After a lengthy discussion the voting at the close was in favor of the negative side. Mr. M. O'Kane was elected as a representative to the Wellington Literary and Debating Society's Union in place of Mr. Bretherton resigned. The society will be represented by Messrs. Frost, O'Connor, and O'Kane in their debate with St. John's Society.

Westport

The half-yearly meeting of St. Canice's branch H.A.C.B. Society was held in the Catholic school last evening, the president (Bro. Jno. Dickson) in the chair. The balance sheet for the quarter ended June 30 showed the branch to be in a sound and satisfactory position. One candidate was initiated and five proposed for membership. The election of officers resulted as follows:—President, Bro. F. G. Drew; vice-

president, Bro. P. Hughes; secretary, Bro. F. O'Gorman (re-elected); treasurer, Bro. J. Power (re-elected); warden, Bro. J. Hughes; guardian, Bro. W. Kilgour; sick visitors, Bros. W. Landi and M. Hennessy; assistant secretary, Bro. P. Malloy (re-elected); auditor, Bros. J. Radford and G. E. Simon (re-elected). In response to a letter from the D.E. inviting a subscription towards the Redemptorist Fathers' new church at Oriental Bay, it was decided to forward a contribution of £2.

Otahuhu

The second of a series of socials, in aid of the building fund, was held in the Otahuhu Public Hall on Friday last, June 26, and in spite of the inclement weather was a success. Music was supplied by Mr. Levy's string band. The supper reflected great credit on the ladies of the committee, the tables being beautifully decorated. Given fine weather, the rest of the series should be very successful.

Waihi

The quarterly meeting of St. Joseph's branch of the H.A.C.B. Society, held last night, was largely attended, and members took a keen interest in the proceedings. Only one nomination each was received for the offices of president, vice-president, and secretary, but all the other offices secured several nominations. A committee was appointed to collect subscriptions towards cost of a window in the Redemptorist Fathers' Church at Oriental Bay, Wellington. At the conclusion of the business a social was held, and an enjoyable couple of hours spent in games, interspersed with songs and recitations.

Reefton

Rev. Father Creagh, C.S.S.R., arrived in Reefton last week, and gave a retreat to the Sisters of Mercy.

On Friday a Triduum in honor of the Blessed Sacrament, and in accordance with the directions of the Holy Father, will be commenced in the Sacred Heart Church, Reefton.

A concert (says the 'Taranaki Herald') was given to the inmates of the Old People's Home, New Plymouth, last night (June 25) by the St. Vincent de Paul Society. Mr. J. H. Parker was chairman. Musical items were given by Misses C. O'Brien, E. and D. Bennett, C. Vandyke, A. and M. Kennedy, and Jones, and a chorus by the company. Miss Elsie Bennett and Mr. J. J. Sullivan gave recitations.

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