

cal-formations in the vicinity, Dr. Ullathorne wrote: 'Passing through a wood on our return, we met an old woman, who, as soon as she caught sight of the Fathers, began a wailing cry of joy. They had made her a Christian, but she had not seen them for some time. After they had talked kindly to her, we left her still wailing and crying in her joy as long as we could hear her voice in the lonely wood. The Natives invariably express any deep-felt joy by wailing and crying. We next rowed to a Catholic village on the opposite shore. The moment the clerical hat was seen, the chief, with all his tribe of both sexes, came crying with joy to meet us. The salutes were made without interrupting the crying, and the tall and burly chief rubbed his large nose against both sides of mine. Then we all knelt on the grass, and Father Bataillon said prayers in their tongue, to which they answered with their usual energy, after which followed a merry gossip with the good Father, which was Sanscrit to me.'

An amusing incident is related of the difficulties of crossing a morass on the occasion of another excursion. Dr. Ullathorne was taken over the first on the shoulders of a half-naked New Zealander, and when he looked back he enjoyed the sight of a human pyramid advancing at a solid pace, apparently supported by two copper-colored legs. The pyramid consisted of a huge Maori, on whose shoulders was seated the Bishop, with his purple stockings conspicuously prominent, and on the Bishop's shoulders, rising above the broad episcopal hat, a young English lad who was travelling with them, and, as if this variety did not suffice for the picture, the youngster held, swinging in his hands, a couple of wild ducks. The visitors, after spending a fortnight full of incident of an interesting, instructive, and pleasurable nature, resumed their long ocean voyage.

(To be continued.)

Diocesan News

ARCHDIOCESE OF WELLINGTON

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

August 1.

I am pleased to say that pupils from our schools will be taking part in the Shakespeare reading competition.

The Rev. Father Moloney, S.M., leaves on Monday for Christchurch, where he is to assist in the parish of Christchurch North. The Rev. Father has acted in all the city parishes here, and will be greatly missed.

His Grace Archbishop Redwood, in a letter written just before his departure for the Islands, states that he was greatly benefited in health by his stay in Queensland. His Grace is due in Auckland on the 13th inst., on his return home.

In view of the splendid results achieved by pupils of St. Patrick's College in recent years, and of the approaching silver jubilee of the Rector, Very Rev. Father Keogh, it has been decided to celebrate the occasion by making a suitable gift to the college. As the college is a New Zealand institution, it is proposed to make the appeal a general one. The movement is a worthy one, and should receive general support.

One of the most pleasant and successful social gatherings of its kind was held at the Sydney Street Schoolroom on Thursday evening, under the auspices of the Catholic Club and Catholic Tennis Club. The room was crowded for the occasion, and the stage, with its fine array of palms and other plants, presented a pleasing spectacle. The success of the gathering was in no small measure due to an energetic committee of ladies and to the able and zealous services of Messrs. B. J. Devine and J. P. McGowan as joint secretaries.

On Monday last the members of St. Anne's Catholic Club met to adopt rules. The chair was occupied by the president (Mr. Moriarty). The Ven. Archdeacon Devoy and Rev. Father Herring were also present. The Ven. Archdeacon announced that the material for the erection of the club rooms was already on the ground, and a beginning was to be made at once. The annual subscription was fixed at the sum of 7s 6d. A motion to devote the sum of 2s from each subscription to the 'Catholic Magazine' and allow each member a copy was negatived, as it was considered that the club in its infancy could not afford such a contribution. The motion was suggested by a proposal to a like effect submitted to the last conference of the Federation delegates. The club has decided to join the Federation.

A meeting of parishioners of Muratai was held at the Bay on Sunday last. The Rector of the parish (Very Rev. Father Keogh, S.M., B.A.) presided. It was announced that the sum of £30 was realised by the recent social. The Rector, in referring to the splendid result achieved, spoke in eulogistic terms of the services of the good ladies of the parish and of the kindness of friends in the city. He expressed to one and all his sincere thanks. As a mark of appreciation of his services, the secretary to the social (Mr. B. Kelly) was presented by the Rector with a pair of gold sleeve-links. At the close of the meeting the Rector entertained his friends and visitors at afternoon tea. It has been decided to hold another gathering some time in October.

(From an Occasional Correspondent.)

July 27.

The members of the St. Vincent de Paul Society are doing a great amount of good among Catholics in Wellington. They visit the poor and sick in their homes, and also those in the hospitals; they give words of comfort to Catholic prisoners in gaol, and they distribute literature to the seamen when in port and entertain them in various ways.

Next month (says the 'Evening Post') the silver jubilee of the Very Rev. Father Keogh, S.M., B.A., Rector of St. Patrick's College (that is, the 25th year of his ordination to the priesthood) will take place. In view of the splendid results achieved during the past four or five years by pupils of the college, under the guidance of the Very Reverend Father and his able staff, it is proposed by ex-pupils of the institution and the general body of the laity throughout the Dominion to celebrate the occasion by making some suitable gift through the Rector to the college itself. A particularly pleasing feature of the success of the college is the fine work done by ex-pupils at the local University College. Perhaps the most notable success is that achieved by one of the college staff, the Rev. Father Bartley, who was this year winner of the New Zealand University Scholarship for mental science. Other members of the staff were also successful in obtaining their degrees from the New Zealand University. In the field of sport the college athletic teams were also successful, the football team having returned from its tour in the north with three successes out of four contests.

Napier

(By Telegraph, From Our Own Correspondent.)

August 3.

The following cable was sent by Mr. P. Gleeson to Mr. Birrell, M.P., on the passing of the Irish Universities Bill:— 'Birrell, M.P.; London.—Congratulations on passing Universities Bill from Irishmen of Napier.—Patrick Gleeson.'

The Young Men's Debating Club held an 'at home' in their club room last week, when they entertained their friends. The early part of the evening was devoted to progressive euchre, after which the young men handed round supper. During the evening Miss Mullins played a pianoforte solo, and songs were given by Messrs. T. Linddle, F. O'Connor, J. Madigan, Knox, and Mrs. Cornish. The accompaniments were played by Misses Bleazel, Mullins, and Mr. O'Donoghue and Mr. Knox. Miss Guzinsky won the euchre prize.

Westport

(From our own correspondent.)

July 20.

Rev. Father Molloy, of Marton, and formerly assistant priest at Westport, arrived here on Thursday last, having exchanged places with Rev. Father Bergin.

Owing to pressure of private business, Mrs. Simon (organist) and Mr. G. E. Simon (conductor) have been compelled to relinquish their position in the choir. Miss Lynch as organist and Mr. H. Doogan as conductor have been appointed to fill the vacancies.

After an illness of only a few days' duration, the death of Mrs. Sullivan, widow of the late Daniel Sullivan, occurred at the residence of her sister, Mrs. P. Connell, on Tuesday, July 14. On Friday the remains, followed by a large number of mourners, were taken to Charleston, where the burial took place, the Rev. Father Molloy officiating at the graveside.—R.I.P.

The death occurred at the Westport Hospital on Saturday, July 11, of Miss Honora Carrick, daughter of Mrs. and the late Mr. B. Carrick. The deceased young lady was ill only a few

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