

the necessity of discipline, after which he distributed the prizes for the past year. The following is the list:—

Sergeant Stapleton, belt, silver medal, and Captain Hussey's trophy; Sergeant Mackenzie, Rev. Father Coffey's gold medal; Sergeant Salmon, officers' trophy; ex-Color-Sergeant Spain, second championship belt; Color-Sergeant Keligher, third championship belt and signalling; Cadet Lé Fevre, shooting—two seconds and two thirds; Corporal Sweeney, shooting—third; Cadet J. Lynch, first (handicap, shooting); Cadet F. Marlow, second (handicap, shooting); Cadet W. Meade, third (handicap, shooting); Cadet E. Salmon, signalling. Attendance—Sergeant Wilson, Bugler O'Brien, Cadet J. Marlow, Corporal Brennan, Corporal Layburn, Corporal Rogan, Cadet O'Neill, Cadet Brady, Corporal Mackenzie, Cadets Doudle, Dunn, O'Sullivan, J. Salmon, Cantwell, Recruits Thompson and Mulrooney. Badges—Mackenzie, Spain, Le Fevre, Stapleton, Keligher, Tarleton.

Napier

(From our own correspondent.)

August 22.

The weekly meeting of the Catholic Young Men's Club was held in the St. Patrick's Hall on Thursday evening, the subject for debate being 'Protection versus Free-trade.'

Mr. Dolan led for protection, and was supported by Messrs. P. Evans and Doyle, while Mr. Clarkson, assisted by Messrs. P. S. Foley and J. W. Coe advocated free-trade. It was a most spirited debate. The speakers showed that they had spent some time in carefully reading the matter up, and were repeatedly applauded by the audience. Mr. T. Cunningham, who occupied the chair, awarded the honors to the advocates of free-trade.

A very pleasant 'At home' was held by the members of the Catholic Young Men's Club in St. Patrick's Hall on Friday evening. At an interval in the euchre tournament his Grace Archbishop Redwood, accompanied by the Rev. Fathers Goggan and O'Connor, visited the hall, and was presented with the following address from the members, and which was read by Mr. R. P. Clarkson, M.A. (president):—May it please your Grace,—We the members of the Napier Catholic Club desire to tender you our respectful greetings on the occasion of your Grace's visit to Hawke's Bay. In doing so we thank you for the kindly regard shown to our club by your presence among us this evening, and we trust that on the occasion of a future visit to this parish we may have the honor of welcoming you to a club, and in a hall worthy of the name of Catholic. We rejoice to hear that your Grace's health has been benefited by your sea voyage, and our earnest prayer is that you may long be spared to continue your successful administration of the archdiocese.

Archbishop Redwood in reply thanked the members for their kind address and for the sentiments expressed therein. It afforded him great pleasure to be present at a meeting of a Catholic club, which he considered tended greatly to the success of the Catholic body generally. These clubs formed important branches of the Church work, and any movement for their advancement would have its deepest sympathy. He expressed the hope that the next time he came here he would find that the club was even more prosperous than at present, and that they had a more spacious hall. He also hoped that all the members would live long to participate in its privileges and its success.

During the evening Miss K. Scott, Messrs. Liddle and F. O'Connor contributed vocal items, and Miss Coe played a pianoforte solo. The accompaniments were played by Misses Bleazel, Scott, and Coe. The committee provided light refreshments, which were handed round by the members.

A press message from Napier states that the Marist Brothers' new brick school in Shakespeare road, erected to replace the wooden structure which was partially destroyed by fire, was dedicated by Archbishop Redwood on Sunday afternoon. Prior to the ceremony there was a large procession, headed by a band, from St. Patrick's Church through the town to the school. In the course of his address the Archbishop congratulated the Catholics of Napier on the erection of the school, and said it was one of many evidences that the Catholic body throughout New Zealand was determined that its children should have true religious education as well as perfect secular instruction. The cost came from the pockets of the Catholics, and in numerous cases from the pockets of the very poor. The Mayor of Napier (Mr. J. Vigor Brown) offered his congratulations, and Mr. J. C. Westall, a member of the Napier High School Board of Governors, also spoke. The Archbishop said the cost of building and the furnishing of the school was £1400. Nearly £60 was obtained by a collection at the ceremony.

Ashburton

(From an Occasional Correspondent.)

At a recent meeting of the Catholic Club there was a large number of members and lady friends present. Mr. T. O'Carroll (president) occupied the chair, and among those present was Rev. Father Aherne, an apology being received for the absence of the Very Rev. Dean O'Donnell. The programme for the evening was a progressive euchre tournament, the prizes being won by Miss Fitzgerald and Mr. H. P. Madden. The social gathering was organised to say good-bye to Miss May Madden, a worthy member of the choir, who is about to leave for Feilding. Opportunity was taken of the occasion to present Miss Madden with a token of the great esteem in which she was held. Mr. McDonnell spoke in eulogistic terms of Miss Madden's services as a member of the choir, and also of her assistance to the Ashburton Catholic Club in all their social functions. In conveying to Miss Madden the best wishes of all for her future, he had much pleasure (he said) in presenting her with a gold chain and gold and jewelled pendant, as a small token of the regard in which she was held by all. Mr. M. J. Burgess, choir-master, paid a deserving tribute to Miss Madden's consistent work as a member of the choir.

Mr. H. P. Madden, replying on his daughter's behalf, thanked the assemblage for their kind wishes and beautiful gifts, and said that he had always told the members of his family that they never could do too much for their religion, and in doing that they were only doing their duty.

During the evening songs were given by Misses Annie McDonnell, May Madden, and Messrs. F. Pritchard and Cunningham; phonographic selections were contributed by Mr. F. Pritchard, and Miss Brankin played a pianoforte solo, and also the accompaniments.

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