

late Mr. Mullins was a most exemplary Catholic, and manifested the greatest interest in the erection of the church at Hornby; with which the family have been closely associated. He leaves a widow, four daughters and seven sons to mourn their loss. The eldest daughter is a religious of the Order of Our Lady of Missions at Napier. The late Mr. Mullins was born in England, and came to the Dominion in 1872. The deceased was in his last illness by the Rev. Father Hoare, S.M., and died fortified by all the rites of the Church, of which he was so fervent and faithful an adherent. Requiem Mass was celebrated in the parish Church of St. Mary, Christchurch North, followed by the interment in Linwood cemetery, the Rev. Father Hoare officiating at the graveside. R.I.P.

DIocese OF CHRISTCHURCH

(From our own correspondent.)

September 21.

Mr. W. F. Roche, for many years the representative of the Kaiapoi Woollen Company, has entered into business at Akaroa.

His Lordship the Bishop left last week on an episcopal visitation to Westland, in which portion of the diocese he is likely to be engaged for several months.

In view of the approaching annual general meeting of the Christchurch Catholic Club, the Rev. Dr. Kennedy, at the half-past 9 o'clock Mass in the Cathedral on Sunday, strongly recommended the advantages of the club to the earnest consideration of the many unassociated Catholic young men of the city.

A preliminary meeting of representatives of the Cathedral and St. Mary's parishes was held on last Wednesday evening to promote a combined Catholic excursion and picnic during the midsummer holidays. December 26 was selected as the most suitable for the event, and an executive committee was formed to arrange details.

As showing the efforts necessary to abate the dust nuisance in this city, the Christchurch Tramway Board's two electric sprinklers and the smaller ones used on the steam lines have been spreading 1,500,000 gallons of water (nearly 6700 tons) a week. The larger of these sprinklers is capable of covering the whole traffic portion of a street in one sweep. Besides this large quantity of water distributed along the tram area, some of the intersecting streets are covered by the City Council's appliances, and still the dust flies in clouds.

The following pupils of the Sacred Heart Convent, conducted by the Sisters of Our Lady of Missions, were successful at a theory examination of Trinity College of Music held in June:—Intermediate class—Alice Rainbow, 76 marks out of 100. Junior—Marjorie Smith, 93; Cissy Coakley, 88; Amy Payne, 84; Annie Coakley, 80. Preparatory—Janie Darragh, 96; Lucy Coakley, 88; Mary Strouts, 88; Kathie Haydon, 81; Molly O'Malley, 73; Margaret Daly, 76; Gertrude Baker, 70. Intermediate honors were obtained by the two pupils—Lilian Burrow and Annie M. Snowball—presented by the Sisters of Mercy of St. Mary's Convent, Colombo street, at the same examination.

Timaru

(From our own correspondent.)

September 21.

An enjoyable social gathering was held in the Assembly Rooms on Monday evening last by the St. John's Tennis Club. The large hall was well filled, and an enjoyable supper was supplied by the lady members of the club.

A rumor, which is increasing in strength, is current to the effect that the Hon. Hall-Jones is going Home to take up the position of High Commissioner vacated by Mr. Reeves. If it turns out to be correct, Timaru will suffer from a plethora of candidates at the approaching election.

Rev. Father Tubman is still making strenuous efforts to secure funds to enable him to start the new church. On Sunday last each parishioner, young and old, was presented with an envelope, on which was printed an appeal requesting that it be returned next Sunday with a donation according to each person's means.

Oamaru

(From our own correspondent.)

September 21.

The entertainment given by the pupils of the local convent on the 11th inst. was, by special request, repeated on Friday evening last in St. Joseph's Hall before a large and appreciative

audience. The performers had gained in confidence since the previous week, and gave a very meritorious entertainment.

The following pupils of Miss Cartwright, A.T.C.L., were successful at the Trinity College theory examinations held in Oamaru on June 15:—Senior grade—Hannah Cartwright, 30 (honors). Preparatory grade—Vera Rankin, 100 (honors); Annie Archibald, 98 (honors); Ivy Glynn, 98 (honors); Olive Pryor, 92 (honors).

The following are the results of the harmony examinations in connection with Trinity College, London, held on June 3 at the Dominican Convent, Oamaru:—Intermediate Division—Maggie Ardagh, 94 (honors); Mollie Dore, 93 (honors); Kathleen O'Donnell, 88 (honors); Kathleen Gallagher, 84 (honors); Maggie Twomey, 75. Junior Division—Janie Pringle, 96 (honors); Eily Kelly, 92 (honors); Marjorie Winsley, 92 (honors); Elspet O. Fleming, 91 (honors); Isabella McCone, 91 (honors); Doris Potter, 88 (honors); Kitty Ardagh, 78; Aggie Pringle, 76; Alice Brown, 76. Preparatory Division—Martha Hille, 98; Eva Miller, 98; Merle Holmes, 95; Eileen O'Meara, 90; May Hille, 82; Violet Cooper, 72; Dolly Kelly, 64. All the candidates presented passed.

DIocese OF AUCKLAND

(By Telegraph from our own correspondent.)

September 21.

Right Rev. Mgr. O'Reilly leaves next Wednesday on a short visit to Waikato.

Rev. Father O'Brien, C.S.S.R., arrived from Wellington yesterday morning and preached an impressive sermon at the Cathedral in the evening.

The Vicar-General will in the near future open a church at Taumarunui, now nearing completion. This is an entirely new parish, to which Rev. Father Molloy has been appointed.

At St. Benedict's a short mission will be commenced on Wednesday, September 30, preparatory to the feast of the Holy Rosary. Rev. Father Tigar, O.P., conducts the mission, and preaches each evening.

At the Sacred Heart Church, Ponsonby, at 10 o'clock on Sunday last, High Mass was celebrated. The choir was conducted by Mr. Percy Kehoe, of the Bland Holt Company. Gounod's Messe Solennelle was beautifully rendered. There was a large congregation.

A large and successful meeting was held last evening after Vespers at Ailsa House, which was presided over by Rev. Father Meagher, when arrangements were completed for the annual social in connection with the Cathedral parish, which takes place next Wednesday evening. It promises to be highly successful.

The Very Rev. Dean Gillan, V.G., left for Gisborne on last Thursday to open a new church in that parish. He expects to be absent for a fortnight. On his return he will attend the opening of a church at Avondale, where a meeting was held on Sunday afternoon, when the parishioners had explained to them the cost of the erection of the building and all details connected therewith.

SLIGO BROS.

MEMBERS DUNEDIN STOCK EXCHANGE.

STOCK EXCHANGE BUILDINGS, PRINCES STREET.
STOCK & SHAREBROKERS, MINING EXPERTS
Investment Stocks a Specialty.
TELEGRAMS....." SLIGO, DUNEDIN."

ARE YOU USING

CHALLENGE SEEDS AND MANURES

YOU should do so if you want the best crops your land will grow

Wright, Stephenson & Co.,
Ltd

Dunedin, Invercargill, Gore, Kaitake, Edendale, &c.