

a course of conduct does not pay. When an appeal to a man's heart and intellect fails, there still remains the appeal to his pocket. And as a secular newspaper is a purely business concern, such an appeal, if properly pressed home, is usually effective. We, however, commend our cause—the cause of truth and common decency—with all confidence to the sense of fair play of the Press, to the non-Catholic clergy, and to honourable people of every creed and class from the North Cape to the Bluff.

THE SLATTERY CAMPAIGN.

THE SUPPLY OF PAMPHLETS, Etc.

THE Manager desires to state that he has on hand a quantity of the pamphlets on *The Slattery* (24 pages), issued by the Catholic Truth Society. These can be supplied in bundles of 24 at 2s (posted 2s 4d), 50 at 4s (posted 4s 8d), and 100 and upwards at the rate of 8s per 100, carriage by rail or mail extra. The Manager can also supply varieties of four-page leaflets, very valuable for distribution, at 4s per 100, postage or carriage extra.

Diocesan News.

ARCHDIOCESE OF WELLINGTON.

(From our own correspondent.)

January 13.

His Grace the Archbishop returned from Nelson yesterday. The College Fathers returned by the Rotorua on Friday from their cruise in the Marlborough Sounds.

Mr. McLauchlin is officiating at the organ in St. Mary of the Angels during the absence of Mr. D. Kenny, who is on holiday leave.

Father Cahill, a brother of the parish priest at Dannevirke, arrived here from the diocese of Wilcannia, New South Wales, on Wednesday. He is at present visiting an old schoolmate, Father Delaney, of Lawrence.

The sum of £40 was the amount netted from railway fares at the picnic on Boxing Day. Arch. Devoy has received a cheque for that sum from the Railway Department.

The Rev. Father Ginaty, who has been visiting the head house of the Sisters of the Good Shepherd at Abbotsford, Victoria, returned by the Mokoia on Wednesday.

Miss Moir, a visitor from Christchurch, ably assisted the choir of the Guildford street Church on Sunday. She also sang Gounod's 'Ave Maria' in an excellent manner.

The Rev. Father Golden, of Auckland, passed through yesterday en route to the Southern Lakes. Father Walshe is, I hear, about to return to the Old Country and Father Golden is a likely successor to him in the parish of Kaitiaki.

St. Patrick's College is to have another representative at the front in South Africa. Mr. J. O'Dwyer, of Blenheim, one of its earliest students and foremost athletes. He is a member of the second New Zealand contingent, and is attached to the Hotchkiss company.

The executive of the Easter Carnival and Fancy Fair held a meeting at the Archbishop's house on Monday. It was reported that valuable prizes for the art union were still being donated. The question of amusements at the bazaar was referred to a general meeting to be held next week.

The election of a successor to the late Mr. H. Field, M.H.R. for Otaki, has resulted in the return to Parliament of his brother, Mr. W. H. Field, the Government candidate. It is a curious fact that, though the contest was practically conducted by Ministers, the Government majority over the same opponent has decreased from 305 to 163 since the General Elections.

In consequence of the removal or resignation of committee men, the Marist Brothers' Old Boys' Association found it necessary to hold a special general meeting on Tuesday evening. The following were elected to hold office for the remainder of the Association half year: Hon. secretary, Mr. A. McKeown; hon. treasurer, Mr. F. McDonald; committee, Messrs. E. J. Leydon, V. O'Brien, J. A. Gallagher, J. J. Groba, and G. McKenzie.

In spite of a continuous downpour St. Mary of the Angels was visited by a large number of worshippers on Sunday, when there was the usual monthly Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. The Mass in the morning was celebrated by the Ven. Arch. Devoy. Haydn's 'Imperial' was sung, the soloists being the same as on Christmas Day. Father Servajean preached a very instructive sermon at Vespers. Rossi's 'Magnificat,' Richardson's 'Alma,' Schmidt's 'Tantum Ergo,' Oakes' 'Divine Praises,' 'Adoremus,' and 'Laudate' were sung by the choir under the direction of Mr. Oakes.

It is with regret I hear that the Rev. Father Cahill is after the retreat to make a compulsory visit to the Hot Lakes district. For some considerable time he has been far from well and is now suffering acutely from a throat affection. Since his arrival in the parish Father Cahill has done great work for the Catholics at Dannevirke. The parishioners, too, have co-operated heartily with him, and as a result the little church which was inconveniently situated at an extremity of the town has been removed to a more central position. It is intended to hold a bazaar and social to cover the cost of the

removal and additions now being made, which consist of a pretty little Gothic sanctuary, a vestry, and a gallery for the choir. When completed, the church will be an ornament to the town and a credit to Father Cahill and his parishioners.

DIOCESE OF CHRISTCHURCH.

(From our own correspondent.)

January 15.

The Rev. Father McEnroe, C.M., is conducting the retreat for the Sisters of the Mission at the Convent, Barbadoes street. It commenced on Wednesday last.

The Very Rev. Father Ginaty, S.M., returned during the week to Mount Magdala from his visit to Australia. The Very Rev. Dean Foley is accompanying the Bishop in the visitation of the remainder of the diocese.

Application has been made to the Provincial of the Order for two additional Marist Brothers to conduct higher branches of education in this city, and to prepare pupils for the Civil Service and Matriculation examinations. This certainly seems a step in the right direction, as many Catholic boys have been hitherto finishing their education in other schools and colleges for the lack of local facilities in our own denomination.

A meeting convened for those who have burial plots in the Barbadoes street Cemetery and others interested was held on Sunday afternoon at St. Mary's, Manchester street (in which parish the cemetery is situated), to devise means for its necessary improvement and maintenance in decent order. The Rev. Father Marnane presided. Various suggestions were agreed upon regarding the object in view, and these will be acted upon by a committee appointed for the purpose.

Every possible device is being reverted to, as a means of augmenting the local war, and patriotic funds, both of which are attaining very considerable proportions. Before the departure of his Lordship the Bishop a *Lyttelton Times* representative sought to obtain from him some information regarding the collections indicated in the Bishop's circular, and was informed that nothing definite was likely to be arranged while the clergy were in retreat.

High Mass in the Pro-Cathedral on Sunday was celebrated by the Rev. Father Moloney, S.M., of St. Patrick's College, Wellington. The choir on the occasion received the valuable assistance of Miss Rosa Blaney, of Dunedin, who sang the soprano solos in Gounod's 'Messe Solennelle.' The other soloists at the Mass were Mrs. H. H. Loughnan (alto), Mr. H. H. Loughnan (tenor), and Mr. R. Haywood (bass). Vespers and Benediction were given by the Rev. Father Kimbell, S.M. (also of St. Patrick's College). The preacher was the Very Rev. Father McEnroe, C.M., who gave a forcible address on mixed marriages. After the sermon the Rev. Father Moloney gave a fine rendering of the sacred solo, 'The Man of Sorrows.'

The half yearly meeting of the St. Patrick's Branch, No. 82, H.A.C.B. Society, was held on January 8. The president (Bro. F. J. Darlem) presided. Father Crotty (chaplain) was present. There were also about forty members present, including a number of ladies of the St. John the Baptist Branch, and P.P. Bro. Rogers, of the St. Mary's Branch, Timaru. Correspondence from St. Patrick's, New Headford, was read and dealt with, and sick pay to the amount of £5 3s 4d passed for payment. The Finance Committee's Report, recommending for payment accounts to the amount of £33 was approved. The balance sheet for quarter ending December 25 was read, and showed receipts for the quarter (including £44 10s interest on moneys invested) to be £93, and expenditure for same period for medical attendance, sick pay, district quarterage, and incidental expenses to be £64, leaving a balance of £1062 to credit of Sick Fund, and £8 2s 6d to Benevolent Fund. Votes of thanks were accorded to the auditors, Bros. Steinmetz and Daniels. One new member was initiated, and two candidates were nominated for membership. The election of officers was then proceeded with, and resulted as follows:—President, Bro. J. McCormick; vice-president, Bro. Alfred Malley; secretary, Bro. G. J. Sellars (re-elected); assistant secretary, Bro. F. J. O'Connell; treasurer, Bro. J. Hendron; warden, Bro. D. Edmonds; guardian, Bro. J. J. Hendron; sick visitors, Bros. F. J. O'Connell and Shaanon; auditors, Bros. Steinmetz and Daniels; medical attendants, Drs. George and J. H. Deamer and B. Moorhouse. The newly-appointed officers were then installed by P.P. Bro. F. J. Doolan, assisted by P.D.W. Bro. James Nelson. At the invitation of the newly-elected president the meeting adjourned for refreshments. The toast 'Our President' was duly honoured and acknowledged by Bro. McCormick. Songs were given by Bros. Maonamara, Haughey, and Beveridge. The toast 'Retiring officers' was responded to by Bros. Beveridge, Maonamara, and Walley. This brought a most enjoyable evening to a close.

DIOCESE OF AUCKLAND.

January 11.

Rev. Father Amandolini, O.S.B., of Hamilton, it is said, leaves for Europe by next outward Frisco mail steamer.

The Marist Brothers are at Nelson attending their annual retreat.

The Rev. Father Patterson has undertaken the charge of Panmure-Howich parish until the return of his Lordship the Bishop.

The Rev. Father Golden, after a sojourn of some months in Auckland in quest of health, returned last week to Wellington completely restored.

The Sisters of Mercy enter upon their annual retreat at St. Mary's Convent, Ponsonby, this week, and conclude it on the 19th inst.