

Intercolonial

Mr. John Francis Meagher, formerly governor of Melbourne Gaol, has passed away. Born in Tipperary, Ireland, in 1842, he came to Australia in the 'fifties, and became a warder in the Pentridge prison. In 1892 he became governor of Sale Gaol, where he was attacked by a prisoner and seriously injured. In 1899 he was appointed governor of the Melbourne Gaol.

The National Trustee Company, executor of the will of James Dore, late of Raglan street, South Melbourne, has paid the legacies bequeathed by deceased to the following charities: St. Vincent's Hospital, £300; Little Sisters of the Poor, Northcote, £300; St. Vincent de Paul Orphanages for Boys and Girls, South Melbourne, £150 each; Homeopathic Hospital, £100; and the Foundling Hospital, Broadmeadows, £100.

The Victorian State Council of the Australian Catholic Federation has decided to erect a Recreation Hall at Broadmeadows Camp, in place of the present tent. The dimensions of the new hall will be 50ft x 150ft, and every provision will be made for the comfort and convenience of the men. Mass will be celebrated in the hall on Sundays, and living accommodation will be provided for the Catholic chaplain. Periodical entertainments will be organized, and it is intended to establish a refreshment stall for the convenience of the troops. The estimated cost is about £1000.

Judging by the latest returns (remark the *Catholic Press*), there will be six Catholics in the new South Australian Assembly. Messrs. L. O'Loughlin, J. E. Pick, and J. Travers (Liberal), and Messrs. Denny, Butterfield, and Reidy (Labor). Messrs. Pick, Reidy, and Butterfield head the poll in their respective districts, and Mr. Denny was returned unopposed. Mr. Peter Reidy, who topped the poll for Victoria, defeating the Premier (Mr. Peckel), is a native of County Clare, and is 40 years of age. He landed in Australia in 1890, and after three years' residence in Victoria he went to South Australia in 1893. For a time he engaged in farming pursuits near Petersburg, but in 1898 he joined the police force. He was stationed at Mount Gambier for twelve years.

Bringing with them reports of a great Commonwealth undisturbed by the war in Europe and declaring that in their city, Sydney, business is being carried along as usual, four of the representative priests of Australia, Right Rev. Mgr. O'Haran, and Rev. Fathers Barry, Rohan, and O'Driscoll passed through Manila this morning on their way to Europe by way of the United States (says the *Manila Times* of March 11). The visitors were met yesterday in the bay by the Very Rev. Father Lynch, C.S.S.R., of Malate, who bore to them the cordial welcome of Archbishop Harty. During the afternoon the distinguished party visited many places of interest in Manila and various religious and educational establishments. Their many expressions of pleasure indicated that 'a day in Manila' will find a prominent place in their diary of travel in war-time around the world. Questioned as to the present conditions in Australia, Monsignor O'Haran said that in Sydney, at all events, very little change was observable since the war began. Naturally, he said, much interest was taken in the newspaper reports of the doings in Europe, but work and business were almost normal. During their stay in Manila, Archbishop Harty gave Monsignor O'Haran and party the hospitality of the Palacio and in most thoughtful ways made their too short stay most agreeable. The Redemptorist Fathers of Malate—Very Rev. Father Lynch, and Rev. Fathers O'Donnell and Magnier—accompanied the visitors to the steamer this morning and wished them God speed and a safe and happy voyage.

MARIST BROTHERS' OLD BOYS' CRICKET CLUB WELLINGTON.

(From a correspondent.)

During the Easter holidays the boys' team of the Wellington Marist Brothers' Old Boys' Cricket Club journeyed to Wanganui to meet the Marist Brothers' School team of that town. The Wellington team was as follows:—Beveridge (captain), Pope, Gavin, Nash, Johnson, Stirling, Watson, Gallachan, Vaney, Costelloe, Columb, and Hyland, and was accompanied by Brother Donatus (president of the club), Mr. H. Marshall, and Mr. F. J. O'Driscoll (manager). On the Saturday the cricket match was played in the Technical School grounds, the visitors proving themselves too good for their Wanganui friends. The following were the scores:—Wellington.—First Innings: Watson 0, Stirling 65, Costelloe 0, Gallachan 2, Beveridge 12, Hyland 1, Columb 21, Pope 3, Vaney (not out) 0; total, 111. Second Innings: Watson 14, Stirling 1, Beveridge 4, Columb 2, Costelloe 0, Gallachan 1, Hyland (not out) 6, Johnson (not out) 1; total for six wickets (declared), 29. Wanganui.—First Innings: Summers 1, Corney 0, Corliss 0, O'Shaughnessey (not out) 38, Stroobant 2, O'Petch 0, Sloan 0, Benefield 5, extras 10; total, 56. Second Innings: O'Shaughnessey 8, Summers 0, Corliss 5, Corney 0, O'Petch 2, Sloan 10, Donovan 1, Duigan 0, Crotty 0, Quirke 10, Hogan (not out) 0, extras 1; total, 40.

On Easter Sunday the boys received Holy Communion, and after Mass were introduced to Very Rev. Dean Holley, who wished all a very pleasant holiday. On Monday the old boys of the Wanganui Marist Brothers' School treated the two teams to a 20-mile trip up their famous river. Arrangements were in the capable hands of Mr. C. Morgan, and under his charge a most enjoyable day was spent at Hipango Park, where a soccer football match was played, the Wellington lads winning by 9 goals to one. On the following morning before leaving by train the visitors accepted a challenge and played the Wanganui team at Rugby. The visitors stuck pluckily to the game in spite of the weight of the Wanganui champions, who eventually won by 11 points to nil. Much to the regret of both parties, good-bye had to be said at 11.15, when the Wellington team left by train for home.

Tuakau

The Catholic Sunday school picnic was held in the Tuakau Domain on Easter Monday. The weather conditions were favorable, and a large attendance witnessed the children's athletic events. The committee are to be congratulated on the able manner in which they controlled the sports. After luncheon, the children's races were held. Mr. Graham acting as starter and handicapper. Trophies were presented to the following winners:—Boys (10 to 12 years), Eric Drumm; Girls (10 to 12 years), D. Tetzlaff; Boys (8 to 10 years), Ray Drumm; Girls (8 to 10 years), Florence Nolan and Kathleen Graham (dead heat); Boys (6 to 8 years), Percy Graham; Girls (6 to 8 years), Nora Linberg; Boys (under 6 years), Pat Montgomery; Girls (under 6 years), Rosie Linberg; Consolation race, John Lapwood; Small boys, Hugh McGuire; All-comers, John Lapwood; All-comers (girls), Annie Donovan; Race for all winners, D. Tetzlaff and Vera Geraghty (dead heat); Single ladies, May Geraghty; Single men, Frank McGuire; Married men, Hugh McGuire; Married ladies, Mrs. J. McGahan; Sweepstake (120yds), C. Linder; Stepping a chain, T. Roberts; High jump, — Martin; Sweepstake (220yds), C. Linder. Tea was handed round after the races.

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