

Catholics did support it they did not realise what they were doing. Emphatically Prohibition is against the practice and example of Christ, who not only drank wine but made it for others to drink.

F. W.—We do not deny and never wished to that our paper is predominantly Irish. Did we not say that it could not be otherwise if true to its founder? What we do deny is that it is exclusively Irish. Reflect for a moment in how short a time we should starve if it were not for the Irish supporters. Do you think we are going to forget them? You are mistaken as to our corrections having had no effect in a certain quarter. We could easily convince you that they had a very surprising effect and that it has been remarked by many. Cathal Brugha was recently prosecuted for giving his name in Irish. The Irish papers taunted Lloyd George with the fact, recalling his late statement that the Irish had no language of their own. Cathal Brugha is the Sinn Féin M.P. for West Waterford. Don't you think there is such a think as a duty to truth, even if one's efforts reap no actual reward. To think so is Irish at any rate. I think you would find a pamphlet by Stephen Gwynne (a Protestant Nationalist) useful. It is, I believe, published by the Dublin *Freeman's Journal*. From their office you could obtain many useful leaflets by various members of the old Nationalist Party. Thanks for your letter and its kindly criticism. It is no harm to agree to differ on some things.

Wanganui

(From our own correspondent.)

May 2.

On Anzac Day, the Requiem Mass for our deceased soldiers was very largely attended. Father (late Chaplain) A. McDonald, S.M., addressed the congregation, telling the story we have heard so often but of which we never weary and which will never lose its wonder, especially when it comes from one who was with our men for so long in their life in the desert, and who closed the eyes of so many of the dear departed.

The garden party in aid of the new chapel fund was held at the convent grounds, St. John's Hill, on Friday and Saturday of last week, the first day being all sunshine and color and the second dull and watery-looking. The pretty lawn at the back of the convent was used for the maypole and the many fancy drills done by the girls. Also, room was found for a fancy and sweets stall, a cake and cool drinks stall, numerous bran-tubs and dips, and a large afternoon tea marquee. Among those working busily at the stalls and in the tent were Mesdames Morton, Rogers, Collins, O'Meara, Craig, Bond, Sussmilch, Miss Clark, and a number of assistants too busy even to tell their names. Undoubtedly, the fact that the garden party came on Anzac Day made a great difference to the attendance, as many who had intended to go up the hill after the ceremony of laying the foundation stone of the Returned Soldiers' Clubhouse, found themselves unable to do so. However, the sum of £170 was taken on the grounds, and everyone thoroughly enjoyed the outing.

The annual football match between the Wellington Marist Brothers' Old Boys and our Wanganui ones was held at Easter time. The Wellington team arrived on Good Friday, and were met by Mr. C. Morgan, president of the local Old Boys' Club, and some of the members, and were taken off to their various billets. On Saturday afternoon the match was played at the Rec', Wanganui winning by 10 to 3. The teams consisted of (Wellington) Deeley, Hayden, O'Sullivan, Lennan, McCleary, Corby, Daley, McMurtrie, Hannaford, Watson, Donovan, Harvey, Boyd, Boylan, and

Fouhy; (Wanganui) Quirk (2), Crotty, Corliss, Hogan, Briggs, Tuffin, Tait, Summers, Greener, Mutu, Connop, O'Shannasse, Rang, and Molan. Tries were scored for Wellington by Deeley, and for Wanganui by Summers and Crotty. At night the annual smoke concert was held at the Fire Brigade Hall, all the boys turning up in full strength. Toasts were honored and much merriment indulged in. The Brothers were the guests of the boys. On Easter Sunday there was a picnic up-river, which made a pleasant day's outing. Monday was used up in sight-seeing, and Tuesday found the visitors on their way home to Wellington. These fixtures between Wellington and Wanganui are a source of great pleasure. This was the third, the home team having won all three matches. They are looking forward to the "return" in August, and only wish more fixtures could be arranged with other centres. Wanganui has room in its heart for old boys from many other places, and there is not much difficulty in arranging for billets among our own people. The old boys' dance takes place on May 28, and the enthusiasts are getting busy.

The death occurred recently at Hawera of Mrs. Jeffries, youngest daughter of Mr. D. Ball, of our congregation. The circumstances surrounding the death were extremely sad, as the fatal attack was quite sudden, and there are five little children left with a sorrowing husband.—R.I.P.

Also died about the same time, Mrs. Carroll, Sargent Street, well-known here. Mrs. Carroll's death, although not sudden, came after a very short illness from which nothing serious had been expected. Mr. Carroll is left with a grown-up daughter and son, and a younger girl.—R.I.P.

Waipawa

This part of Hawke's Bay is in the grip of a severe drought, and there is a great scarcity of food for animals. The prospect for the winter is not reassuring for stockowners.

Waipawa has recently lost a splendid type of citizen in the death of Mr. Stephen McGreevy, sen. Mrs. A. V. Collins, of Otane, has also gone to her reward, after a short illness, to the great sorrow of her husband and family. The deceased lady was a sister of the late Mr. J. D. McDonald, of Levin, and was very highly respected.—R.I.P.

OBITUARY

MR. STEPHEN MCGREEVY, WAIPAWA.

Waipawa, and indeed Hawke's Bay, has lost one of its most useful and best known citizens in the person of Mr. Stephen McGreevy, whose death occurred on April 1 after a short illness (writes an esteemed correspondent). The late Mr. McGreevy was a native of Roscommon, Ireland, and he arrived in Napier about 60 years ago. After being engaged in the carrying business for many years he took up a nice farm near Waipawa, which he successfully managed until a couple of years ago, he handed it over to his son, Mr. S. McGreevy, jun. Mr. McGreevy brought out his parents and many relations to Waipawa. In the early days especially, and during his whole life, he was always the generous friend of the priest and the Church. Surrounded by his seven sons, his daughter (Mrs. D. Moroney), and many relatives, his last moments were most edifying. Many fellow-Hibernians and a great concourse of the public attended the funeral, the last rites of which were performed by the Rev. Father T. Cahill.—R.I.P.

He who courageously resists his passions, will be able to make of them instruments of virtue.—St. Gregory the Great.

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