

OBITUARY

MRS. MARY McALOON, CHRISTCHURCH.

There passed away on Saturday, May 31, at her residence, 35 Rogers Street, St. Martins, a well-known and highly-respected resident of Christchurch in the person of Mrs. Mary Teresa McAloon, widow of Mr. John McAloon. The deceased was on her way to a Requiem Mass in the Cathedral when she was seized by a bad heart attack, and was carried back to her home, where she died shortly afterwards without regaining consciousness. The late Mrs. McAloon, whose husband predeceased her by some nine months, was born at Curraheen, Tralee, Co. Kerry, Ireland, in 1862, and arrived in Lyttelton by the ship Hereford on January 16, 1878; and from then until the time of her death had resided in Christchurch. She is survived by five sons—James (Makikihi), John (Wellington), Owen (on active service), Cecil, and Norman (Christchurch), and three daughters—Mary, Blanche, and Evelyn (Christchurch). She has also two sisters in New Zealand—Mrs. P. Butler (Medbury), and Miss H. Enright (Christchurch); a third sister—Sister Mary Angela, of St. Dominic's Convent, Oamaru—having died about two years ago. The family received a large number of messages of sympathy and also many floral tributes. Requiem Mass, which was largely attended, was celebrated in the Cathedral on Monday, June 2, by Father Long. The girls of the Sacred Heart College, and the boys of the Marist Brothers' School were present, and Miss Mina Ward played the "Dead March" from "Saul." The boys of the Marist Brothers' School also formed a guard of honor outside the Cathedral, and the funeral cortege to Linwood Cemetery was very lengthy. Very Rev. Dr. Kennedy, Adm., assisted by Fathers Long and Roche (St. Mary's), officiated at the graveside.—R.I.P.

MRS. CATHERINE LOUGH, DANNEVIRKE.

There passed away peacefully at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. W. Campbell, Te Rehunga, Dannevirke, on May 28, a widely known and highly esteemed resident in the person of Mrs. Catherine Lough, who had attained the ripe age of 77 years. The deceased was an exemplary Catholic, and being of a kind and generous disposition she was held in the highest esteem by all who knew her. One son and two daughters are left to mourn the loss of a devoted mother, and to them the sympathy of the whole community is extended. The last sacred rites of Holy Church were administered by Father Bowe, who also officiated at the interment in the Dannevirke Cemetery.—R.I.P.

MR. JAMES MULLAN, PALMERSTON NORTH.

The death occurred on Friday, June 6, after a brief illness, of Mr. James Mullan, of Palmerston North, who had been a resident of the district for the past 40 years, and was formerly well known as a contractor. Deceased, who was 71 years of age, was born at Timaraddy, Co. Derry, Ireland. He was attended in his last illness by Father McMahon, who also officiated at the obsequies, the funeral being largely attended. A Requiem Mass for the repose of the soul of deceased was celebrated at St. Patrick's Church, Palmerston North, on June 7. The late Mr. Mullan leaves a widow, six daughters, and one son. Two of deceased's daughters—Mrs. Thos. Quirke and Mrs. J. J. Redwood,—reside at Palmerston North; another—Miss Annie Mullan—lives at Hastings, and the three remaining daughters live at Palmerston North. Patrick, the only son, left New Zealand with the 33rd Reinforcements, and is at present in England. A sister of deceased—Miss Mary Mullan—resides at Wellington.—R.I.P.

MR. JAMES POWER, CHRISTCHURCH.

Sincere regret is felt at the death of Mr. James Power, who passed away on June 7. The deceased was a most fervent, devoted Catholic, and an enthu-

siastically generous Irishman (writes our Christchurch correspondent). The late Mr. Power was the eighth son of the late Maurice and Catherine Power, Waterford, Ireland, and came to New Zealand some 27 years ago, and arriving in Dunedin. In 1903 he came to Christchurch, and, with his brother, the late Edmund Power, entered into the hotelkeeping business, conducting the Masonic Hotel with much success. The late Mr. Power ultimately took to farming, and whilst following this occupation his health broke down. During his residence in Christchurch he closely identified himself with Church and charitable work. He was a valued member of St. Patrick's branch of the Hibernian Society, and filled the office of trustee; the St. Vincent de Paul Society ranked him amongst its most generous benefactors, and the Catholic schools were ever objects of his warm-hearted support. When it was proposed to form the Marist Brothers' Old Boys' Association, the late Mr. Power was one of the first to promote its interests. He was a most devoted friend to the Sisters of Nazareth, whose work appealed to his generous nature very strongly, so much so that he allied himself with every movement having for its object the advancement of that institution. The deceased was attended during his illness by Fathers Long and Murphy, and his death was a most edifying one. The funeral took place on Tuesday morning, June 10, and was very largely attended, members of St. Matthew's (ladies) and St. Patrick's branches of the Hibernian Society being present in regalia, past-presidents of the society being pall-bearers. The Marist Brothers' School boys lined the entrance to the Cathedral. The Cathedral was crowded, the children from the Catholic schools and Nazareth House singing appropriate hymns during the Requiem Mass, which was celebrated by Father O'Hare, a much esteemed friend of deceased. His Lordship the Bishop. Very Rev. Dr. Kennedy, Adm., and Fathers O'Boyle, Long, and Murphy were present in the sanctuary. The absolution was given by his Lordship the Bishop. Chopin's "Funeral March" and the "Dead March" from "Saul" were played by Miss Ward (organist). Very Rev. Dr. Kennedy, Adm., officiated at the interment, others of the clergy present being Fathers O'Hare, O'Boyle, Long, and J. Hanrahan (Darfield). Widespread sympathy is extended to the relatives of deceased in their bereavement.—R.I.P.

AT AN EARTHWORKS.

Ringed high with turf the arena lies,
The neighboring world unseen, unheard,
Here are but unhorizoned skies,
And on the skies a passing bird,

The conies and a wandering sheep,
The castings of the chambered mole,
These, and the haunted years that keep
Lost agonies of blood and soul.

They say that in the midnight moon
The ghostly legions gather yet,
And hear a ghostly timbrel-tune,
And see a ghostly combat met.

These are but yeoman's tales. And here
No marvel on the midnight falls,
But starlight marvellously clear,
Being girdled in these shadowy walls.

Yet now strange glooms of ancestry
Creep on me through this morning light,
Some spectral self is seeking me
I will not parley with the night.

JOHN DRINKWATER, in the *English Review*.

May the Holy Name of God be for ever blessed by us all from one end of the world to the other, forming a holy echo to the celestial praises of angels and saints of God.—*Mother M. of the Sacred Heart.*

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