

## WEDDING BELLS

## CHAPMAN—KELLY.

(From our Masterton correspondent.)

April 21.

A very pretty wedding took place at St. Patrick's Church on April 18, when Mr. B. Chapman, second son of the late Mr. F. Chapman, was united in the bonds of Matrimony to Miss Annie Kelly, daughter of Mrs. P. Kelly, of Ganmain, New South Wales. The bride, who was given away by Mr. J. Waters, was charmingly attired in white silk, with the usual wreath and veil, and carried a handsome shower bouquet of white cactus dahlias and maiden-hair fern. Misses Kate and Ruby Chapman (sisters of the bridegroom) acted as bridesmaids. Mr. W. A. Hogg, of Wellington, acted as best man. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Father Harnett. The bride's gift to the bridegroom was a pair of gold sleeve-links, and the bridegroom's gift to the bride was a handsome gold bracelet, while the bridesmaids were each presented with gold brooches. At the conclusion of the ceremony a reception was held at the residence of the bridegroom's mother, where a large number of guests joined in wishing the newly-married couple every happiness and prosperity. Numerous useful presents were received, including a set of carvers and a breakfast set from the staff of the *Daily Times*, of which Mr. Chapman is a member. Mr. and Mrs. Chapman left by the afternoon train for Wellington, en route for Waunganui.

## HOFFMAN—EGAN.

(From a Gore correspondent.)

A wedding, in which considerable interest was taken, was celebrated at the Catholic Church on Easter Monday, when Miss Mary Egan, eldest daughter of Mr. Edward Egan, Inspector of Permanent Way (Railways) Gore, was married to Mr. James Hoffman, eighth son of Mrs. Hoffman, East Gore. The ceremony was performed by the Very Rev. Father O'Donnell, assisted by Rev. Father Tobin. The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a duchesse ivory satin robe, with a court train, and the customary veil and wreath of orange blossoms. She also carried a handsomely-bound prayer-book, the gift of the bridegroom. The bridesmaids were Miss Foster (cousin of the bride), of Christchurch, and Miss Nellie Egan (sister of the bride), both of whom carried shower bouquets of white chrysanthemums and sweet peas. Mr. George Hoffman (brother of the bridegroom), attended as best man, while Mr. Thos. Egan (brother of the bride) acted as groomsmen. As the wedding party left the church, Miss Carmody, who presided at the organ, played Mendelssohn's 'Wedding March.' An adjournment was made to the residence of the bride's parents, where breakfast was served. Very Rev. Father O'Donnell presided, and proposed the toast of 'The Bride and Bridegroom.' The other customary toasts followed. Mr. and Mrs. Hoffman left by the afternoon express for the north. The bridegroom's gift to the bride was a set of furs, and the bride's gift to the bridegroom was a gold amethyst pin, while the bridesmaids received gold bangles. A large number of useful and costly presents were received, including some substantial cheques and a marble clock, presented to Mr. Hoffman from his workmates.

## HERLIHY—KEARNEY.

(From an occasional correspondent.)

A wedding of more than usual interest took place at St. John's Church, Ranfurly, on April 18, the principals being Mr. J. P. Herlihy, only son of the late Mr. James Herlihy, of Patearoa, and Miss Catherine Kearney, second daughter of Mr. Patrick Kearney, Derry Farm, Ranfurly. Rev. Father McMullan officiated, and the church was crowded with relatives and friends. The bride looked very pretty in a costume of cream chiffon taffeta, with veil, and the usual wreath of orange blossoms, and carried a lovely bouquet of marguerites. The bridesmaids were Misses Annie and Mary Kearney (sisters of the bride), and the train-bearers, Miss Leah Mellroy and Master J. Williams. Mr. Frank Bleach was best man. After the ceremony the wedding party adjourned to the residence of the bride's parents, where the wedding breakfast was laid. Mr. P. Bleach, a life-long friend of both parties, presided, and proposed in a happy speech the toast of 'The Bride and Bridegroom,' other toasts being also duly honored. After the breakfast the whole party drove to the railway station, from where the newly-wedded couple took the train for a round trip through the Dominion. The presents were numerous and valuable. The bridegroom presented to the bride a gold chain-pendant and prayer-book, and each of the bridesmaids a gold band ring set with garnets, and to the best man a gold-mounted silk Albert. The bride's presents to the bridegroom were a gold locket, and case of brushes suitably inscribed. As the train moved off cheers were given by the friends assembled for Mr. and Mrs. Herlihy, who took with them many good wishes for their future happiness.

## OBITUARY

## MR. JEREMIAH BRADLEY, WELLINGTON.

It is with feelings of deep regret that we have to record the death of Mr. Jeremiah Bradley, eldest son of Mr. John Bradley, Hill street, Wellington, who passed away on Good Friday morning at Clyde, Central Otago, at the early age of 20 years. The deceased, who was a cadet in the engineering branch of the Public Works Department, went to Central Otago a few weeks ago for the benefit of his health, but was unfortunately seized with an attack of enteric fever, and passed away as stated above. The late Mr. Bradley, who was an ex-member of the Oriental Football Club, the Thorndon Swimming Club, and the Wellington Catholic Club, was a popular young man, and his early death will be widely regretted. The remains were taken to Wellington and were interred at Karori on April 18. Rev. Father Hickson, Adm. Sacred Heart Basilica, assisted by Rev. Father Bowden, of St. Patrick's College, officiated at the graveside.—R.I.P.

## MRS. DANIEL GREGAN, CHRISTCHURCH.

(From an occasional correspondent.)

It is with regret I announce the death of Mrs. D. Gregan, who passed away at her residence, Queen street, Linwood, on Holy Saturday, after a brief illness. The deceased was born at Murroe, County Limerick, in 1844, and came out to Victoria in 1863, where she resided for several years. Coming on to New Zealand, she lived at Ross for a time, but eventually settled down at Pleasant Valley, Geraldine. Four years ago she removed to Christchurch, and, residing in the Cathedral parish, became widely known and respected. Mrs. Gregan attended the early part of the recent mission, and by her death the recently organised Arch-confraternity of the Blessed Sacrament loses a devoted member. She was attended in her last illness by the Sisters of the Mission and the Rev. Dr. Kennedy, and passed away fortified by all the rites of Holy Church. She is survived by her husband and a family of three sons and seven daughters, viz., Messrs. Daniel, Martin, and John Gregan, Sister Mary Casimir (St. Joseph's Convent, Williamstown, Melbourne), Mrs. T. Lyons (Peefton), Mrs. J. Hennessy and Mrs. M. Higgins (Orepuke), Mrs. F. J. Doolan (Christchurch), and the Misses S. and J. Gregan. The funeral took place on Easter Monday, and after Requiem Mass the remains were interred at the Linwood Cemetery. The Very Rev. Father Price, Adm., officiated both at the Cathedral and graveside.—R.I.P.

## Interprovincial

The boisterous weather lately has helped to make a shortage of fresh eggs (says the *Press*), and on Friday and Saturday there was keen inquiry by shopkeepers at 1s 9d and 1s 10d per dozen—a rise of 5d per dozen in a week.

Evansdale Glen, a picturesque spot about twenty miles from Dunedin, has been presented to the city. Councillors Gilkison, Clark, Stewart, and other citizens, and the Government, have agreed to give a subsidy provided it was declared a scenic reserve, which has now been done.

A Press Association telegram states that an area of 5000 acres on the Main Trunk line is to be set apart by the Government for a prison reformatory. Natives own 3500 acres of the land, and are now claiming compensation. The Government valuation is 30s per acre. The case will be heard at Wellington this week.

If there is anything in the theory of the Maoris that Nature provides for the winged tribe in anticipation of times of stress, this coming winter will be an unusually severe one. All through the bush, and particularly the heavy bush along the banks of the Mokau River, the trees are laden with all manner of berries.

What industry and perseverance can do is well illustrated by a Levin brickmaker and bricklayer. Two years ago he started to build a brick residence for himself. In his spare time, bit by bit, the work was done, till at last a fine brick residence is the result of his labors.

A monstrous denizen of the forest, in the shape of a wild boar, wandered out to a short distance from Tuatapera (says the *Orepuke Advocate*), and met his fate at the hands of Mr. J. Coughlan's son. The bristly old monarch measured 6ft from ears to root of tail. The head, armed with a pair of beautiful tusks, was on view at Tuatapera and attracted a good deal of attention even from experienced hunters.

A story of the troubles of a young immigrant, who arrived in Auckland from London a few months ago, was told in the Magistrate's Court on Thursday. The man (says the *Herald*) was a bookmaker in London, and was attracted to New Zealand by the prospect of better business. When he arrived here he found that the Dominion's legislature had taken away his means of livelihood, and so he went on the land. He was followed by misfortune, his wife had to dispose of her jewellery and other valuables in order to live, but lately they had spent nothing because he earned nothing. 'I reckon I was better off as a London bookmaker,' remarked the man as he left the Court.