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CATHOLIC CLUBS

THAMES.

(From the club correspondent.)

The formal opening of the Catholic Club took place last Tuesday, May 30, when there was a good gathering of members and friends. A billiard tournament and shooting competition were held, while card games were also indulged in. The chief items on the concert programme were a duet sung by Miss and Mr. Gill, and a recitation by Mr. J. Cooney. Supper was handed round, and a very pleasant evening was brought to a close.

At a meeting of the executive of the Catholic Club last Monday evening, it was decided to apply to the Northern Steamship Company (Ltd.), for permission to run an excursion to Auckland on Coronation Day, and to arrange with the Marist Brothers' Old Boys' Club for a football match on that date. The club has challenged the fire brigade to play a billiard and card tournament and compete in a shooting competition on June 15.

Owing to the very bad state of the weather, the opening of the season of the Ladies' Hockey Club was postponed to June 8. The Ngatimaru Hockey Club is endeavouring to send a team to town on Coronation Day. The formal opening of the Catholic Club took place last

INVERCARGILL.

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The annual meeting of the Invercargill Catholic Club was held in the club rooms on Tuesday evening, May 23. The president (Mr. T. Pound) occupied the chair, and there was a large attendance of members, including the Very Rev. Dean Burke, V.F., Rev. Father Kavanagh, and Rev. Brother Arthur. The secretary presented a very favorable report and balance sheet, the latter showing the club to have cash in hand to the extent of £26 10s 4d. The election of officers resulted as follows:—Patron, Very Rev. Dean Burke; president, Rev. Father Kavanagh; vice-presidents, Messrs. M. F. Scully, P. Scully, and Rev. Bro. Arthur; secretary, Mr. P. Neville; assistant secretary and treasurer, Mr. M. Timpany; trustees, Very Rev. Dean Burke and Mr. James Collins; auditor, Mr. James Mulvey; general committee, Messrs J. Scully, J. O'Brien, —. Horan, R. J. Timpany, A. Keaney, W. L. McGoldrick, P. Maloney, E. Prendergast.

CHRISTCHURCH.

(From the club correspondent.)

May 31.

The usual weekly meeting was held on Tuesday evening, the president (Mr. J. R. Hayward) in the chair; there was a very large attendance of members.

Two new members were admitted, and three candidates proposed for membership. After the ordinary busi-

ness of the evening, the item on the syllabus, a debate 'Can a Man Get Rich Honestly?' was proceeded with. Messrs. Tullock, Healey, and Quinn took the affirmative side, and Messrs. P. McNamara, J. McNamara, and J. Laurenson the negative. After an even and interesting debate, the affirmative side won by the very narrow margin of 1 point, the individual scores being as follow:—Tullock 75, Healey 70, Quinn 65, total 210; P. McNamara 85, J. McNamara 66, Laurenson 58, total 209. The judgo (Mr. R. Dobbin) gave a sympathetic criticism of the various speakers. The performance of Mr. P. McNamara is deserving of the highest praise, standing out far above all the others in every department, and if this member will only give himself up to the study of debating he will prove one of the club's leading debaters. It is interesting to note that at the conclusion of the series of debates last season he was considered the most improved junior debater of the club. The great Home Rule meeting held here last week found club members taking a very prominent part, having charge of the collection, doors, etc., thus giving the committee very necessary and valuable assistance.

GORE.

(From the club correspondent.)

May 20.

The weekly meeting of the Gore Catholic Young Men's Club was held in the club rooms on Monday, May 22, Mr. F. O'Connor presiding over a large attendance of members The business for the evening was a question box. The meeting proved very interesting, and several good speeches were made by Messrs. Wells, Francis, J. Sweeney, O'Connor, Columb, and P. Daly.

A social under the auspices of the club was held in the Town Hall on May 24, when a large number of members and their friends were present. During the early part of the evening progressive eachre was played, Miss H. O'Brien winning the lady's prize (a set of carvers). The gentlemen's prize (a set of brushes) was secured by Mr. J. Mallon, and the consolation prizes went to Mr. Reid and Miss Kellmau. The ladies of the congregation supplied the refreshments.

June 3.

The ordinary meeting of the Gore Catholic Men's Club was held on Monday evening, May 29, when there was a good attendance of members. Rev. Father Tobin presided. The business for the evening was a discussion on compulsory military training. Those present showed that they had given the subject careful consideration, good speeches being made by the following: Messrs. Wells, R. Ferris, M. Francis, F. O'Connor, J. Sweeney, D. Von Tonzelman, P. Daly, Columb, and F. Daly. The discussion proved very interesting, and a very enjoyable time was spent. was spent.

GREYMOUTH.

(From the club correspondent.)

June 4.

Despite the very unfavorable weather last Wednesday evening a large number of members and friends attended a euchre teurnament, over one hundred taking part in the game. After supper was handed round by the ladies' committee, the president (Mr. T. Keenan) presented the prizes as follow: Ladies, Misses A. Crowley and R. Boyle; gentlemen, Messrs. J. Clarke and C. Heaphy. During the evening the following contributed musical items: Mrs. A. W. Jordan, Miss Braidwood, Messrs. W. McGrath, F. Sellars, and P. J. Smyth.

Last Sunday was the quarterly Communion day for the members of the St. Columba Catholic Club, the St. Vincent de Paul Society, and the Hibernian Society, when large numbers of the three societies approached the Holy Table in a body.

The annual meeting of the sodality of the Children of Mary was held on Sunday, May 21. The following were elected officers for the current year:—President, Miss Ann Heffernan (re-elected); councillors, Misses E. Sullivan, M. Roche, M. Peart, and C. Heffernan; librarian, Miss M. Burke. The balance sheet showed the society to be in a fleurishing condition. Rev. Father Lacroix (spiritual director) kindly offered a trophy to the member who would bring in the most new members during the year. Last Sunday, as a fitting close to the May devotions, the Children of Mary held a procession in honor of the Blessed Virgin.

The Holy Father has conferred on Mr. Walker O'Neill, Private Chamberlain to his Holiness, the title of Commendatore of St. Gregory the Great. Keen interest in the education of the poor youth of Rome and his well known devotion to the Holy See have made Commendatore O'Neill worthy of the Papal distinction.

The time for the lodging of applications for registration as barmaids closed on May 31 (says the Otago Daily Times), and up to the present the Labor Department at Wellington has sent forward a total of 40 certificates to barmaids in the Dunedin district. A further list of applications is now being inquired into, and provisional certificates have been issued until such time as it is definitely decided whether these applications for registration are to be granted or not. be granted or not.

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