

OUR SCHOOLS

ST. PATRICK'S COLLEGE, WELLINGTON.

The breaking-up ceremony of St. Patrick's College took place on December 14. There was a large attendance of the clergy and friends. His Grace the Archbishop and his Lordship the Bishop of Lismore were present. An excellent musical programme was contributed by the College Orchestra, a chorus party of College boys, and individual instrumentalists and vocalists.

The Rector (the Very Rev. Dr. Kennedy) apologised to the large attendance for inviting them to a 'break-up' on an election night, and thanked them for preferring a prize-giving to the stirring events outside. In numbers the college had made a considerable advance. The roll had reached 154. In conduct and work the boys had given satisfaction. The Rector made some important observations on the question of scholarships, which are reported in full in another part of this issue.

The Bishop of Lismore addressed the boys, and congratulated the 'men of to-morrow' on their appearance. They were guarantors of New Zealand's future.

Mr. H. S. Wardell, in the course of an address to the boys, reminded them that their school supplied a very great want. Speaking on matters topical, he reminded the students that it would one day be their privilege and their duty to help to mould the political destinies of their country. Education, guided by religion, would make them high-minded and would deter them from dishonourable and unworthy acts.

Mr. Martin Kennedy, K.S.G., proposed a vote of thanks to the Rector and the masters of the college for their self-sacrificing work.

The following is the prize list:—

Scholarships.

Second Class.—English language and literature (value £10), Charles Laird; Latin and French (value £10), Joseph Connolly; A division—Mathematics (value £10), Leonard Daniel; B division—Mathematics (value £10), John Barry; general excellence (value £10), Howard Buckley.

Third Class.—English language and literature (value £10), Thomas Heffernan; Latin and French (value £10), William Craighead; mathematics (value £10), Desmond O'Sullivan.

Fourth Class.—English language and literature (value £5), Norman Meehan; Latin and French (value £5), Thomas Higgins; mathematics (value £5), Francis Grogan.

Good Conduct Prizes.

Senior division.—Gold medals presented by his Grace Archbishop Redwood, S.M., William Buckley, Arnold Roche; junior division—gold medal presented by the Very Rev. Father O'Shea, S.M., V.G., Thomas Cleary; extern division—gold medal presented by Ven. Archdeacon Devoy, S.M., Leonard Daniel.

Diligence.—Gold medal presented by the Very Rev. Dean Regnault (Provincial), S.M., W. Hennessy.

First Class A.—General excellence in class work (prize presented by the Very Rev. Dean Hills, S.M., V.G., Christchurch), W. Buckley.

First Class B.—General excellence in class work (gold medal presented by the Old Boys' Association), J. McGinley; Christian Doctrine (gold medal presented by his Lordship Bishop Grimes, S.M.), W. Hennessy; essay (prize presented by the Very Rev. Father Keogh, S.M., B.A.), W. Hennessy; English, W. Hennessy; Latin, J. McGinley; French (presented by the Very Rev. Father Moran, S.M., B.A.), J. McGinley; arithmetic and algebra, J. McGinley; geometry and trigonometry, J. McGinley.

Second Class.—General excellence in class work, Howard Buckley; Christian Doctrine (gold medal pre-

sented by the Very Rev. Dean Carew, S.M.), Howard Buckley 1, J. Hennessy 2; essay, C. Laird; English, C. Laird; history and geography, C. Laird; Latin, J. Connolly; French, J. Connolly; arithmetic (A), H. Buckley, Owen Craighead; algebra and geometry (A), L. Daniel; arithmetic (B), C. Parsons; algebra and geometry (B), R. Fuller; mechanics, H. Buckley; zoology, T. Heffernan.

Third Class.—General excellence in class work, D. O'Sullivan 1, W. Craighead 2; Christian Doctrine, D. O'Sullivan 1, W. Craighead 2; essay, V. Browne; English, W. Craighead; history and geography, F. McKenna; Latin, T. Heffernan; French, F. Kelly; arithmetic, A. Breen 1, T. Sullivan 2; algebra and geometry, D. O'Sullivan; chemistry, B. Dignan; physical measurements, W. Craighead.

Fourth Class A.—General excellence in class work, N. Meehan, L. Reeves; Christian Doctrine, N. Meehan 1, G. Fitzsimmons 2; essay (A), N. Meehan 1, R. O'Donoghue 2; essay (B), P. O'Rourke; English (A), N. Meehan; English (B), P. Reilly; history and geography (A), N. Meehan 1, L. McDonald 2; history and geography (B), H. Beirne; Latin, T. Higgins; French, T. Heffernan 1, A. Breen 2; Arithmetic, L. Reeves, F. Grogan; algebra and geometry, C. Duffou 1, F. Grogan 2; physics, L. Reeves; drawing, J. Egan.

Fourth Class B.—General excellence in class work, L. Henrys; Christian Doctrine, C. Dealy; essay, G. McMillan; English, C. Dealy; history and geography, L. Henrys; Latin, J. O'Neill, L. Reeves; French, C. Dealy; arithmetic, L. Henrys; algebra, G. McMillan; science, W. Coles; drawing, L. Cranby; writing, L. McDonald.

Fifth Class.—Christian Doctrine, W. Coles; English, W. Coles; arithmetic, W. Coles; writing, K. Gasquoine; drawing, E. Whittle; agriculture—(A), L. Butcher, P. Blake, (B), F. King; commercial course—(A), C. Parsons, (B), L. Flood.

Oratory and Debate.—Senior Debating Society: Debating (gold medal presented by Mr. Stanislaus Moran, LL.B.), T. Heffernan, D. Connor (prize); oratory (gold medal presented by Rev. Father Holley, S.M.), J. Spillane, D. Connor (prize); Junior Debating Society (gold medal presented by Mrs. D. Kennedy), F. McKenna, W. Craighead (prize).

Music.—Pianoforte—First division, F. Kelly 1, R. O'Donoghue 2; second division, W. Coles 1, E. Cullinan 2. Violin—First prize, A. Brennan, W. Neylon; second prize, E. Burns.

Board of Honor Prizes.—H. Buckley, A. Roche, W. Buckley, C. Andrews, T. Cleary, B. Chapman, M. Daly, R. Fuller, C. Duffou, P. Hanrahan, J. Hyland, T. Heffernan, C. Knight, W. Hennessy, R. Prindable, T. Higgins, E. Reeves, F. McKenna, L. Reeves, P. O'Connor, P. Reilly.

Prizes for Four Mentions.—D. Bradley, T. Cullen, W. Poppelwell, A. Bunney, J. Barry, W. Redmond, J. Spillane, J. Fitzgerald, N. Healy, D. Champion.

Gymnastics.—Senior division, Francis Kelly; junior division, Stuart Henrys (champion). Drill, Sergeant Dore's section.

Swimming.—Seniors, P. McCarthy; juniors, E. Clarke; diving, F. Reynolds.

Boxing.—Heavy-weights, T. Hodgins; light-weights, M. Brownlie; feather-weights, Tufi Noon; bantams, W. Bowden.

Rifle Shooting.—Gold medal presented by Colonel R. J. Collins, C.M.G., I.S.O., for highest aggregate: Awarded to Private F. King.

Tennis Tournament.—E. Burns and P. Blake.

Handball Tournament.—Senior, C. Parsons and C. Hodgins; juniors, A. Cummins and J. O'Neill.