

WEDDING BELLS

LEAHY—MOLLOY.

At the Church of the Sacred Heart, Reefton, on Thursday, April 10, an interesting marriage was solemnised, the contracting parties being Mr. D. J. Leahy, eldest son of Mrs. Leahy, of Wakamarina, Marlborough, and Miss Jane Molloy, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. Molloy, of Reefton. The Rev. Father Galerne officiated. The bride, who was given away by her father, was attired in a very dainty gown of cream surah crepe de chene with silk shadow lace trimmings, the skirt being beautifully draped and caught at the side with a cluster of pearls. The usual wreath and veil were worn. The bride was attended by her sister (Miss Nellie Molloy) as bridesmaid, who wore a pretty frock of cream cashmere de soie and cream velours hat with squirrel mount. Both the bride and her sister, carried beautiful bouquets, the gifts of a friend. The bridegroom was assisted by Mr. P. Molloy, jun., as best man, while Mr. R. Molloy acted as groomsmen. After the ceremony the wedding party adjourned to the residence of the bride's parents, where the breakfast was partaken of. Later on the party drove to Cronaden, Mr. and Mrs. Leahy leaving by the afternoon train for Rotorua, *via* Christchurch. The bride's going away costume was of buff cloth with beaver hat to match. The bridegroom's present to the bride was a gold necklet set with pearls and aquamarines, while his gift to the bridesmaid was a gold bangle. The bride's present to the bridegroom was a gold sovereign case. The newly-married couple were the recipients of many useful and valuable presents, as well as congratulatory telegrams from all over the Dominion.

CONNELL—HURLEY.

The marriage was solemnised recently at the Catholic Church, Hunterville (says the local *Express*), of Mr. D. Connell, of South Canterbury, and Miss Mary Hurley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Hurley, of Hunterville. The popularity of the bride and her parents was evidenced by the large assemblage at the church. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Father Kincaid. The bride was attired in a handsome white silk dress, with overskirt trimmed with insertion and ball fringe. She was attended as bridesmaid by Miss Grogan, who wore a pretty frock of spotted white silk, trimmed with insertion, and black beaver hat. Bride and bridesmaid both carried handsome bouquets. The bridegroom was attended by Mr. Buckley, and was given away by her father. After the ceremony the wedding breakfast was partaken of in the Argyle Hall, about 120 guests (many being present from a distance) sitting down to a capital repast provided by Mr. A. Dallas. The Rev. Father Kincaid proposed the toast of 'The bride and bridegroom.' The speaker thought it was a happy circumstance that gave him the opportunity of conducting the nuptials of the young party so soon after his arrival in the Dominion, as he came from a county of the Old Country that the bride's father claimed as his birthplace. The Rev. Father Connolly proposed the toast of 'The bride's parents.' The speaker referred to Mr. Hurley's connection with early Hunterville; how he had come here when the district was in its infancy, and how he had worked and progressed until he was in the position he occupied to-day. To such men as Mr. Hurley the country owed a great deal. Mr. Hurley responded, thanking so many for coming to honor his family. The young couple left by the evening train *en route* for their home in Canterbury. The presents received by Mr. and Mrs. Connell were numerous and costly.

GOULTER—SMITH.

A very pretty wedding took place on Wednesday, April 16, at the Basilica, Hill street, Wellington, the contracting parties being Miss Florence Mary Edith Smith, fourth daughter of the late Mr. William Smith, Ludstone, Kaikoura, and Mr. Charles Percy Goulter, eldest son of Mr. Charles Goulter, Hawkesbury, Blenheim. In the absence of their great-uncle, his Grace

Archbishop Redwood, the Nuptial Mass was celebrated by the Rev. Father Tymons, assisted by the Very Rev. Dean Holley. As the bride entered the church, the 'Bridal March' from 'Lohengrin' was beautifully played by Miss Putnam (organist). Mr. Llewellyn Smith, the bride's uncle, gave her away. The bridal gown (the gift of her brother, Mr. Claverley Smith, Ludstone) was of ivory duchesse satin, draped with Brussels lace, pearls, and silver. The court train was trimmed with true lover's knot in satin. The long veil of Brussels lace was fastened with orange blossoms, and she carried a lovely bouquet of white hothouse flowers.

She was attended by three bridesmaids. Miss Daisy Smith (chief), cousin of the bride, wore blue charmeuse, the skirt being caught up with pink roses, the bodice trimmed with crystal, her Juliet cap of silver net-work, having a cluster of pink rose buds at the side. She carried a bouquet of pink roses, and wore a gold chain and pendant of pearls and aquamarines, the gift of the bridegroom. Her sister, Miss A. Smith, wore pale pink charmeuse, with handsome silver lace, large black hat with single pink rose, her bouquet being of blue hydrangeas and autumn foliage. The bridegroom's gift was a gold bangle. Miss Bernardine Goulter (the bridegroom's sister) wore pink charmeuse and Irish lace, black hat with pink ribbon, and carried a bouquet of hydrangeas and maiden hair fern. Her gift from the bridegroom was a gold chain and pearl cross. The bridegroom was attended by Mr. Edward Goulter as best man, and Mr. Claverley Smith and Mr. N. Sibbetts as groomsmen. At the conclusion of the ceremony the bridal party left the church to the strains of Mendelssohn's 'Wedding March.' A reception was given at the Grand Hotel by Mr. and Mrs. Arthur G. Campbell (Feilding), the bride's sister. The drawing-room was charmingly decorated with pink flowers and floral bell suspended in the centre. The hostess wore an artistic gown of grey charmeuse, veiled in ninon and trimmed with handsome lace, a cluster of violets at waist, and hat of black velours and lancer plumes. Her bouquet was pink roses, violets, and maiden hair fern. The presents were numerous and handsome. The bride travelled in a grey eolienne costume, piped with violet velvet and lace jabot, large black velvet hat with beautiful white ostrich plumes, and feather boa. They left by motor for the north for a short honeymoon previous to leaving for England on May 1.

Palmerston North

(From our own correspondent.)

Mr. A. L. Westmoreland, the popular secretary of the H.A.C.B. Society, who has been acting as secretary of the Coursing Club during its recent meeting, was presented with a gold sovereign case containing gold coins, in recognition of the conscientious and energetic manner in which he had acted in the interests of the club.

Messrs. M. J. Kennedy and L. Hanlon, as a deputation from the parish committee, interviewed the borough cemetery committee on April 4, to ask that the portion of the land surrounding the cross in the Catholic portion of the cemetery be permanently reserved for the burial of priests or Sisters. They stated that it was the intention of the Catholic community to erect a monument to the late Father Costello, and this could not be done until the land was reserved. The committee recommended the council, as cemetery trustees, to grant the request. This came up at the meeting of council on Tuesday last, and was agreed to.

Cr. O'Rielly, who took his seat for the last time at the final function of the present council, will not again be a candidate as he is leaving Palmerston to reside in Australia.

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