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Messrs. Donald Reid and Co. report as follows:—

Owing to Monday being a holiday we did not hold a sale this week. Quotations are as follow:—

Oats.—The market is practically unchanged. Prime seed lines have some attention, but owing to the fact that sellers' reserves are beyond shippers' limits, there is little business passing in feed qualities. Prime milling, 2s 3d to 2s 4d; good to best feed, 2s 2d to 2s 3d; inferior to medium, 1s 9d to 2s 1d per bushel (sacks extra).

Wheat.—Millers are ready buyers of prime velvet, and are also operating to some extent in prime samples of other sorts. Medium quality, however, is not much inquired for, and in many cases is being quitted to supply orders for fowl wheat. For the latter there is good demand for well-conditioned lines. Prime milling velvet, 4s 1d to 4s 3d; medium to good, 3s 10d to 4s; prime Tuscan, etc., 3s 9d to 3s 10d; medium, 3s 7d to 3s 8d; best whole fowl wheat, 3s 5d to 3s 6½d; medium, 3s 2d to 3s 4d; broken and damaged, 2s 6d to 3s per bushel (sacks extra).

Potatoes.—The market is more heavily supplied, and as a large proportion of the consignments are of indifferent quality, and are being to some extent forced on the market, values have slackened during the week. Prime quality, which is in most favor, sells at £4 10s to £4 15s; medium to good, £4 to £4 7s 6d. The demand for seed is confined chiefly to Southland-grown potatoes, and in these lines fair business has been done.

Chaff.—Consignments are coming forward steadily, and in the case of prime oaten sheaf, find ready sale ex truck. Medium and inferior lines are more difficult to deal with. Prime oaten sheaf, £4 7s 6d to £4 10s; choice black oat, to £4 12s 6d; medium to good, £3 15s to £4 5s per ton (bags extra).

### Hastings

(From our own correspondent.)

May 29.

A very pretty wedding was celebrated in the Sacred Heart Church, Hastings, on May 21, when the Very Rev. Father Keogh united in the bonds of Matrimony Miss Mary Katherine Maggin, eldest daughter of Mr P. Maggin, Hastings, and Mr. John Walshe, eldest son of Mr. Daniel Walshe, of Hastings. The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a dress of cream cashmere, with hat to match, and carried a bouquet of flowers. The bridesmaid was Miss Nora Maggin (sister of the bride), who wore a dress of white embroidery with black hat. Mr. Bernard Walshe, brother of the bridegroom, was best man. After the ceremony the guests were entertained at the residence of the bride's parents, where the usual toasts were honored, after which the happy couple left by train for the south, where the honeymoon will be spent. The presents were numerous and costly, and included a number of cheques. The bridegroom was presented with a well-filled purse of sovereigns from a number of friends on the eve of his marriage.

### Gisborne

(From an occasional correspondent.)

A very edifying sight was witnessed at St. Mary's Church, Gisborne, on the evening of Sunday, May 25, when eleven young girls were received into the confraternity of the Children of Mary. The confraternity is at present in a very flourishing state, and the influx of new members will help greatly in the good work that the members are doing. The number that has been received into the confraternity during the past year augurs well for its future. After the reception, Rev. Father Lane (spiritual director) delivered a short but impressive sermon, in which he spoke eloquently of the virtues of our Blessed Lady, and exhorted all, especially those who had that night placed themselves under her special protection, to imitate her in all things. There then followed a procession and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, which brought Exposition, that had lasted since Mass, to a close. A special feature of the day's ceremonies was the singing of St. Mary's choir, which rendered in a very able manner the music of the Missa Cantata of the morning and the hymns for Benediction in the evening.

### Palmerston North

(From our own correspondent.)

June 1.

A Triduum in honor of the Blessed Sacrament began in St. Patrick's Church on Sunday last, and ended on Wednesday.

Mr. Moriarty, who has been in the district during the past week, reports good business, having secured many new subscribers to the *Tablet*.

His Grace Archbishop Redwood was the guest of Rev. Father McManus on Thursday and Friday of last week. He held a private Confirmation in the convent chapel on the Friday morning.

On Friday, the Feast of the Sacred Heart, a number of children of the parish school made their First Communion. After school hours the first communicants were entertained by the good Sisters at a party in the high school grounds.

The second card tournament, under the Friendly Societies' Council, was held in the Orient Hall on Thursday last, and was won for the second time this season by the team from the H.A.C.B. Society, who beat the Druids by 34 to 26.

This morning at each of the three Masses, the card scheme, as used in the larger centres, for the parish sustentation fund was put into force for the first time, when 350 parishioners pledged themselves to contribute a monthly subscription according to their means.

A successful euchre party was held on Wednesday evening in the Empire Hall, under the auspices of the Children of Mary. The proceeds are to go towards the lighting of the convent and parish schools. Those who were present thoroughly enjoyed themselves. The hall was kindly lent for the occasion by Mr. W. Devine, and the ladies supplied the refreshments.

The annual meeting of parishioners was held in the Empire Hall on last Thursday. The Rev. Father McManus, who presided, was supported by Messrs. M. J. Kennedy (secretary) and W. Devine (treasurer). The balance sheet for the half-year ended March 31, showed a gratifying reduction in the parish debt, which now stands at little over £1900. The sum on deposit from the bequest of the late Rev. Father Costello (£500) is being added to daily, and promises to be a good round sum by the end of the year. Rev. Father McManus said he could not praise too highly the work carried out by the committee, and in particular did this apply to the secretary and treasurer, who had given their time and best talents to it, the books being kept in a manner which was creditable to all concerned. The following gentlemen were elected as the new committee:—Messrs. C. A. Loughnan, W. Devine, I. Lynch, M. Hodgins, E. L. Broad, F. Oakley, M. O'Connor, P. Garrity, F. Aisher, A. V. Dallow, M. Hickey, I. Hodgins, T. J. Rodgers, L. Hanlon, W. Copeland, W. Tabor, and M. J. Kennedy. At a meeting of the committee held subsequently, Mr. C. A. Loughnan was appointed chairman, Mr. E. L. Broad deputy-chairman, Mr. M. J. Kennedy secretary, Mr. W. Devine treasurer, and Mr. F. Oakley minute secretary.

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