

Pahiatua

The annual Catholic social was held at the Drill Hall, Pahiatua, on the evening of June 18, and, as usual, was very largely attended. People were present from all parts of the district, and also from Eketahuna and Woodville. The assemblage included many members of other denominations. The hall was tastefully decorated with greenery (says the local *Herald*). Vocal items were given by Miss Dempsey, and Messrs L. Hill, T. W. Manifold, A. E. Hayden, and J. Walls, recitations by Miss A. Taylor and Mr. Goss (Woodville), and a sailor's hornpipe by Mr. Fahey (Woodville). The male quartet party, consisting of Messrs. T. W. Manifold, J. J. Boagey, C. Mills, and H. Mills, also contributed a very acceptable item. The various performers were warmly applauded, several being encouraged. A capital supper was provided by the ladies

of the congregation, and was done full justice to. During an interval, Mr. H. McSherry briefly addressed the gathering. He thanked the public for their liberal patronage, the ladies, the various performers, and all who had assisted in any way to the success of the social. He also thanked the promoters of a social at Mangatrainoka for having postponed the date of their function, so that it would not clash with the Catholic social. The arrangements were carried out in a very satisfactory manner by a large number of the ladies and gentlemen of the congregation, who must have felt gratified at the result of their efforts. Mrs. O'Rourke carried out the secretarial duties. They were by no means light, but Mrs O'Rourke, as on former occasions, proved herself well qualified for the post, and her energy undoubtedly contributed in a large manner to the success of the gathering.

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