ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CLUB, HAMILTON

(From the club correspondent.)

August 4.

A very pleasing ceremony was performed at the social held under the auspices of St. Mary's Catholic Young Men's Club, when Mr. Ivor Lynch (hon. treasurer) was farewelled on the eve of his departure for Napier. Mr. E. de V. McGarrigle, in making the presentation, apologised for the absence of Very Rev. Dean Darby, who was indisposed. The speaker mentioned Mr. Lynch's many efforts in club matters, and while regretting the club's loss, congratulated him on his promotion. Mr. Lynch received a very handsome smoker's companion, subscribed for by the club members, as a mark of esteem and their appreciation of his services. Mr. Lynch suitably replied.

On Saturday evening a number of Mr. Lynch's more intimate friends entertained him at a social Mr. E. McGarrigle, who presided, asked Mr. Lynch to accept a small souvenir from his friends. Several appropriate speeches were made. The presentation took the form of a handsome monogram to-bacco pouch. Mr. Lynch, who was taken completely by surprise, returned thanks in a happy speech. The singing of 'Auld lang syne' terminated a very pleasant gathering.

Waihi

(From our own correspondent.)

August 4.

Last evening at St. Joseph's Church the choir sang the music of Vespers. The choir has recently been strengthened by the addition of some male voices, and the Rev. Father Wright congratulated the members on having so excellently rendered the Vespers for the first time.

Mr. Snelgar, who represented the local Federation at the Auckland Diocesan Council, gave a resume of the proceedings to the committee, and received a hearty vote of thanks. Surprise and indignation were expressed that such a motion as one referring to compulsory military training should have been allowed to be discussed.

It is understood that Mr. T. Collins, who has been here for the past 18 years and has always taken a great interest in anything relating to the welfare of the Church, will shortly be leaving Waihi. He is well known in Friendly Society circles, being secretary of the local branch of the Hibernians and Hospital Conference.

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