

## ITEMS OF SPORT

## FOOTBALL.

Mr. T. Lynch, an ex-pupil of the Timaru Catholic school, left last week for Wellington to take part in the Californian tour of the New Zealand football representatives (writes our Timaru correspondent). Mr. Lynch has always been a loyal supporter of the Celtic Football Club since its inception here, and he received a fitting 'send-off' from his old club and other sporting associations of the district. His prowess as a representative footballer is too well known to need further chronicling, and his many friends wish him all success on his tour.

I had occasion recently (telegraphs our Auckland correspondent) to refer to the boys of the Marist Brothers' School, Vermont street, in connection with the public schools' Rugby Union, and have now pleasure in chronicling their final triumph, and what a triumph it is. They have won all their matches in their grade, scoring 193 points, while only three points were scored against them, that being a penalty goal, so their line was never once crossed during the competition. The wearers of the green and black jerseys must be accorded the heartiest commendation and congratulation. The Brothers and supporters are greatly elated at the boys' phenomenal success.

The students of the Sacred Heart College, Auckland, who visited Waiuku last Saturday, played a local team there, and won by 16 points to nil. Rev. Father Skinner and friends there gave the visitors a cordial welcome.

MARIST BROTHERS' CRICKET CLUB,  
WELLINGTON.

(From our own correspondent.)

At the annual meeting of the Wellington Marist Brothers' Old Boys' Cricket Club, the Rev. Brother Donatis presided over a large attendance of members. The annual report stated that the senior team, which was composed of the previous year's juniors, had a very successful season, winning nine games out of twelve played. The junior team was also a successful combination, securing second place on the championship list. Medals were awarded Messrs. G. Fitzgerald, P. O. Callaghan, J. McCaulay, and L. Ryan for special play. Towards the end of the season a team composed of both junior and senior members travelled to Blenheim to play the Blenheim Shamrock Club. The match was won easily. The travellers, however, went down to a combined team by five wickets. The financial statement showed the club to have a credit balance. The report and balance sheet were adopted. It was decided to enter a senior and possibly a junior, team in the W.B.C.L. competitions, and also, if possible, a third class team. Votes of thanks were unanimously accorded Messrs. Fred Bowles and Vernon Haydon for services rendered the club during the past season.

The following motion, proposed by Rev. Brother Donatis and seconded by Mr. A. Marshall, was carried unanimously:—'That the secretary be instructed to write to his Grace Archbishop O'Shea, and while requesting him to confer on us the honor of accepting the position of patron to the club, extend to him, on behalf of the members of the club, respectful congratulations upon his elevation as Coadjutor-Archbishop to the archdiocese.'

## ST. MARY'S TENNIS CLUB, INVERCARGILL.

The following was the report presented at the annual meeting:—In presenting the sixth annual report of the club, your committee have much pleasure in chronicling the fact that the past season was in many ways the most successful the club has yet experienced. At the last annual meeting it was decided to increase the membership subscription and if possible to put down a second court. Notwithstanding the increased subscription the membership roll for the

past season was the highest for some years past. The second court is now an accomplished fact, and was ready for play about January of this year. In order to meet the necessary heavy expense of the new court, your committee issued subscription lists, and several members entered into the spirit of the new idea with a will, the result being that a sum of £47 in all was raised by this means. Several further improvements have been made on the grounds, but much remains to be done in this direction. From a financial point of view the club is in a good position. The season opened with a credit balance of £2 14s, and the balance sheet presented with this report shows the club at present to be in credit to the amount of £15 13s 8d. This must be considered highly satisfactory, in view of the large expenditure on permanent improvements carried out during the year. The standard of play for the period under review showed a marked improvement, especially among the junior players. The season was a wretched one from the weather point of view, and this fact militated against greater success in club tournaments and inter-club matches. However, two interesting handicap single tournaments were held, the successful players being Miss Maggie Shepherd and Mr. John Kirwan respectively. Three club matches were played, our representatives winning one and losing two. Although a B grade club, two of our lady players—Misses Welsh and Kirwan—had the honor of being selected in the 'possibles' for the Southland team, the former lady gaining a place in the final selection. The annual gathering, at which the various trophies won during the season were presented, was a pronounced success both from a social and financial point of view. Everything points to a successful incoming season, and members may be assured of this by maintaining a continuance of the enthusiasm shown last year. Already the donor of last year's trophies has generously donated two trophies for competition during 1913-1914. In conclusion the committee wish to take this opportunity of thanking all those who in any way assisted the club during the past season, especially those who contributed so generously to the funds, also the donor of the trophies and the Dominican Sisters for the use of the grounds.

## Methven

(From an occasional correspondent.)

On Thursday evening a very successful euchre party, in aid of the church funds, was held in the Oddfellows' Hall. A most enjoyable musical programme was presented. All the items were admirably given and enthusiastically received. Among the performers were the following:—Instrumental item (violins), Misses Cullen (2), with pianoforte accompaniment by Master Cullen; songs, Misses Cromie and McKendry, and Messrs. Poff, Smith, and Walker. A comic song by Mr. Whitelock brought down the house. Mr. Gillespie varied the entertainment with a recitation. The Masters Morrison played violin and piano selections, and the Convent School pupils contributed two items.

## Invercargill

(From an occasional correspondent.)

The following are the results of the examinations in harmony and theory of music, held last June at St. Catherine's College, Invercargill, in connection with Trinity College, London (maximum marks, 100; honors, 80; pass, 60):—

Higher local division—May O'Donnell, 90.

Junior division—Mary Skiffington, 99; Margaret Peterson, 88.

Preparatory division—Clarice Freed, 100; Linda McDonald, 99; Ita Sheehan, 87.

The following pupils of St. Catherine's College were successful at the June theory of music examinations, held in connection with the Associated Board of Royal Academy of Music and Royal College of Music, London:—May O'Byrne, 97; Alice H. Savage, 93; Ina Romans, 91; Cecilia Wells, 90; Phyllis Mullay, 88.

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