

ness, Y. Lloyd; observation, M. McKay; comprehension, G. King; reading, Mercedes O'Kane; sentence building, T. Lee; recitation, S. Lee; arithmetic, A. McNamara; home lessons, P. McNamara; general improvement, A. Monaghan; arithmetic, V. Donnelly; reading, D. Murray; diligence, J. Williams; spelling, P. Fitzpatrick; general knowledge, F. Meenan; writing, J. O'Sullivan.

School of Music Prizes.

Associate Practical, Clara Scofield; Highest marks Higher Local, Aroha Allan; Senior Honors (Practical) and highest marks in Intermediate (Theory) at Dunedin Centre.. K. Whelan; Intermediate Honors (Theory of Music), K. Ford; Intermediate Honors (Practical), M. O'Brien; Intermediate (Theory of Music), A. Deegan; Junior Honors (Practical), E. Smith; Junior (Theory of Music), M. O'Malley; Preparatory Honors (Practical), M. Gilligan.

Special Prizes.

Irish history (St. Patrick's Parish prize), Monica Delany.

Irish History Competitions.—Senior division (first book prize), Monica Delany; junior division (gold medal, presented by Rev. D. V. Silk, Puhoi), S. Campbell; book prizes and certificates, L. Mee and D. McDowall.

Dressmaking—Ellie Brown.

Athenaeum Prize (proficiency in English and history)—S. McErlane.

Examination Successes.

Teachers' Examination—M. Delany, I. Skinner, S. McErlane, A. Butcher.

Intermediate Examination—A. MacGregor, I. Skinner, and S. McErlane.

Irish History Competitions—Senior division, M. Delany; junior division, S. Campbell (gold medallist), Leonore Mee, D. McDowall.

Proficiency Certificates—S. Campbell, L. Mee, I. Isaacs, L. Barwick, P. Toomey.

Commercial Class.—National Business College (Sydney) Examinations—Book-keeping: K. Kelly, L. Stewart, D. Aldous, K. Whelan, M. Klimeck, E. Meikle, M. Peterson.

Typewriting: K. Kelly, Z. Dawson, K. Whelan, D. Aldous, E. Meikle.

Shorthand: L. Stewart, K. Kelly, D. Aldous, Z. Dawson, E. Strang, E. Meikle, K. Whelan.

School of Music.

Theoretical Examinations—Senior: A. Allan, A. Butcher, C. Scofield, P. Smith, G. Smith, T. Weir.

Intermediate (Honors)—K. Whelan, A. MacGregor, C. Forde, K. McAlister, D. McDowall, M. Carroll, R. Malagan; pass: S. Campbell, Z. Dawson, R. Dawson.

Junior (honors)—M. Hanning, E. O'Malley, I. Skinner, M. Klimeck, R. Lorrimer, B. Mooney, S. McErlane, I. Tylee, E. Brown, M. Kelly, M. Gilligan, J. O'Kane; pass: M. Holloway, E. Smith, M. Allan, P. Richardson.

Preparatory—C. Leonard, K. Golden, D. O'Sullivan, M. Brown, E. Lousley, M. Smith, A. Martin.

Practical Examinations, Trinity College. Associate—Clara Scofield.

Higher Local—Aroha Allan, Catherine Forde.

Senior (honors)—K. Whelan; pass: G. Smith, P. Smith, S. Campbell, A. Deegan, K. McAlister, Z. Dawson.

Intermediate (honors)—M. O'Brien, J. O'Kane, D. McDowall.

Junior (honors)—E. Brown, M. Holloway, P. Richardson, E. Smith; pass: C. Leonard, I. Tylee, R. Lorrimer.

Elocution—M. Rodden, E. Vintiner, M. Carroll, E. Houston.

Preparatory (honors)—M. Gilligan, Elma Lousley; pass: P. Haig

Elocution—D. Anderson, L. Thompson, P. Burke, J. Williams, M. O'Sullivan, K. Todd, D. Hungerford, G. Walsh, W. Cummings, E. O'Gorman, P. Corcoran, M. Thompson, T. Murphy.

After the distribution his Lordship the Bishop delivered a graceful address. He complimented the girls on the pretty concert that formed such a pleasing prelude to the chief interest of the morning's function and showed that the pupils' talents had been cultivated by teachers who are themselves efficient. "Breaking-up" day is always a very pleasant occasion for those who get the prizes, and on this occasion each girl had received at least one prize; they must have worked wonderfully well, for we see that the teachers found all deserving of prizes. These beautiful medals and books should be to those who won them incentives to still greater exertions in the future. Now holiday time has come and they are gladly going home to show the prizes to their parents who would see in them an indication of the progress that had been made in the school year. They had learned music and singing, accomplishments that would bring sunshine to their homes. His Lordship urged them to give the good parents, who had made many sacrifices for their sakes, the pleasure of hearing them play and sing in the holidays. By their conduct they would show the moral training they had received.

Parents, as a rule, are not addicted to giving their children mathematical problems to solve, they will not give their girls a test in algebra or in trigonometry or ask them to take fractions out of brackets, but they will probably ask them to take the baby out of the perambulator, and this must be done cheerfully and willingly; they must show that they have learned how to obey and how to be pleasant in their homes. The lives of their teachers are to the pupils daily object lessons on labor, self-denial and charity. In the years to come when the girls of to-day are battling with the trials and temptations of the world, the memory of the lives of the nuns who are now training them in the way they ought to go, would hearten them and help them to overcome many difficulties. His Lordship wished teachers, parents, and pupils happy holidays and God's choicest blessings in the New Year.

In a bright little speech Rev. Father Delany congratulated the pupils on another year's work happily ended by that morning's ceremony. In reminiscent vein he contrasted the distribution of that day with those of his own school days when awards were comparatively few and boys had to tell their parents the subjects for which they had not got prizes and explain as well as they could why they had not won them. His Lordship had referred to the fact that parents are not accustomed to set mathematical problems for their children; he (the rev. speaker) hoped parents never would develop a Dr. Blimber craze for testing children's knowledge. In conclusion Rev. Father Delany wished the pupils a happy Christmas and very pleasant holidays.

The Sisters of Mercy beg to acknowledge their indebtedness to the kind friends who generously donated medals and prizes.

Studies will be resumed on the first Monday in February.

St. Patrick's School, South Dunedin

On Tuesday, December 16, the pupils of St. Patrick's School brought the year's work to a close when a breaking-up ceremony was held in their own fine school, Macandrew Road, South Dunedin. His Lordship the Bishop presided and Rev. Fathers Delany, Rooney, and Hally were present. When the items on a short concert programme had been rendered in a highly creditable manner his Lordship the Bishop expressed his pleasure at being with the children of St. Patrick's on this happy occasion; he imparted some very sound advice to the girls whose school-days were that day ending, and trusted that through life their conduct would reflect credit on their school and on the training they had received at the hands of the Sisters of Mercy. His Lordship wished all a joyful Christmas and happy holidays.

Rev. Father Delany commented upon the beautiful singing of the St. Patrick's children.

The prize list was as follows:—

Standards V. and VI.—Christian doctrine, O. Burke; good conduct, K. Flaherty; Irish history, Std. VI, May Hurn; Std. V., A.

Coorey. Regular attendance, Mollie Cannon. Music prizes, E. Smith and M. Gilligan.

Standard IV—Christian doctrine, D. Anderson; good conduct, M. Wilson; regular attendance, R. Corley.

Standard III—First place in class, P. MacManus; Christian doctrine, M. Westland; regular attendance, M. Whelan.

Standard II—Catechism, Francis Reddington; regular attendance, H. Cannon; highest marks, E. Wood.

Education Board Proficiency Certificates were issued to L. Wilson, E. Smith, M. Cormack, M. Gillies, and M. Hurn.

Holy Cross College, Mosgiel

A Retreat for laymen will begin on Friday evening, January 30, 1925, and end on Tuesday morning, February 3, 1925.

Retreat giver: Very Rev. Maurice J. O'Reilly, C.M. (Rector of St. John's College, Sydney University).

Applications to be made to the Rector of Holy Cross College.

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