

# Town and Country News

## Waikato Notes

(From our own correspondent.)

Hamilton, November 26.

The second session of euchar tournaments which have been held weekly by the Catholics of Hamilton was, with the exception of a farewell evening, concluded for the season on Tuesday night. The session which extended for fifteen nights, yielded a nett profit of £66 12s, making a total for the season which commenced last May of £134. The winner of the tournament prizes were:—Ladies, Mrs. S. Jenkinson (184 games); gents, Mr. A. Craike (174 games). In awarding the prizes, Rev. Father Bleakley referred to the great success of the tournament, not only from the financial standpoint but as a means of bringing the parishioners together. He thanked the ladies of the parish for the great work they had done in arranging for the supper at the various evenings, making special mention of the part played by Miss Doyle who, week after week, was in attendance to supervise the functions.

Later a presentation was made by Mr. E. de Venny McGarrigle, on behalf of the men patrons, to Father Bleakley as an appreciation of the great interest he had shown in the tournament.

Gaily decorated stalls, whose tempting wares proved a source of attraction to purchasers of all ages, and stallholders keenly intent on the business in hand, constituted a busy scene this week at Glover's Hall, Frankton, where an "All Nations" bazaar in aid of the Catholic Church building fund was in progress. Delicious cakes and sweets, needlework of all kinds, and a produce stall with a stock of all things necessary to the provisioning of a household found ready favor with the stream of visitors. At the evening sessions dancing competitions and various games were organised. Orchestral music supplied by members of the Men's Club also enlivened the proceedings. The feature of the bazaar is a championship tug-of-war for which £50 in prizes has been offered. With the number of teams competing some keen and exciting tussles were witnessed and the final to-morrow evening should provide a thrilling contest.

The ladies in charge of the stalls were the following:—Plain and Fancy stall: Mesdames Dwyer, Frost, Turner, Crawshaw, Misses Frost (2), Wand, E. Grogan, Jenks, Staunton, and Lineen. Sweets stall: Mesdames Bell, Smith, and Miss Fairburn. Produce stall: Mesdames Green, McGonnel, and Misses Cox (2). Afternoon teas: Mesdames Salsbury, Fitzgerald, Misses Fitzgerald (3), and R. and L. Grogan.

An epoch making event for the Cambridge district more particularly regarding the Catholics of the community was the laying of the foundation stone and the blessing of the fine new brick church which is in course of erection on the old church site in Anzac Street. There was a large attendance of local parishioners, visiting priests, and Borough representatives. The ceremony, a

particularly impressive one, was performed by Monsignor Cahill, Vicar-General of the Auckland diocese, assisted by Rev. Fathers Bleakley (Hamilton) and Kirrane (Cambridge).

Every candidate presented by the Hamilton Marist Brothers' School, passed the proficiency examination.

## Invercargill Notes

(From our own correspondent.)

November 27.

The official opening of St. Mary's Tennis Club's new courts took place on Wednesday afternoon, when there was a good attendance of members and friends. Rev. Father Martin declared the courts open and in doing so appealed to all to practice and take an interest in the game, so that next year they might be able to compete with other clubs. Mrs. Haigh served the first ball and the ladies' committee handed round afternoon tea.

Miss Mary Lister and Mrs. Fitzgerald were made the recipients of a beautiful framed picture of the Sacred Heart, and an ivory-bound prayer book from the Children of Mary, on Sunday last. Rev. Father Graham, who made the presentations, referred most kindly to the many good qualities of both, and wished them, on behalf of their girl friends of the sodality, every blessing and happiness in their new life. To show the appreciation of the sodality for many kindnesses from the Dominican Nuns they too were the recipients of tokens of gratitude from the sodalists, and the Director was presented by the president with a little souvenir.

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## WEDDING BELLS

NEWTON—LE LIEVRE.

A quiet but pretty wedding was solemnised at St. Patrick's Church, Akaroa, on Tuesday, October 27, when Mary Verginie, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jules Le Lievre, "Mount Desmond," Akaroa, was married to William, elder son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Newton, late of Little River. The Rev. Father Gallagher officiated, and Miss E. Le Lievre presided at the organ. The bride, who entered the church on the arm of her father, wore a simple frock of cream satin and georgette. The long train of satin with pleated georgette panels from the yoke was finished with a deep frill of accordion pleated georgette over lace. The long tight-fitting sleeves were also of georgette and were finished with posies of pink and white. She wore a hand-embroidered veil, held in place by a coronet of silver leaves and orange blossoms, and also carried a bouquet of lilies of the valley and maiden-hair fern. She was attended by Miss Moya Hayward, of Christchurch, who wore a dainty frock of

almond green marocain made with circular skirt and finished with pearl buttons; a hat of white georgette with roses to tone, and carried a bouquet of pink and red roses. Mr. J. Leghain, of Christchurch, attended as best man. After the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Le Lievre entertained a few relations and friends at the Kowhai tea rooms, where the customary toasts were honored. The bride travelled in a frock of saxe blue finished with fawn collar and godets of same at the sides, with hat to match.

## HOLY CROSS COLLEGE, MOSGIEL

VISIT OF THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL AND THE LADY ALICE FERGUSSON.

While their Excellencies the Governor-General (Sir Charles Fergusson) and the Lady Alice Fergusson were in Mosgiel on Saturday, November 28, they visited Holy Cross College. They were accompanied by Captain Wentworth, aide-de-camp to his Excellency, the Mayor and Mayoress of Mosgiel (Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Walls), the chairman of the Taieri County Council (Mr. Charles Findlay) and Mrs. Findlay, and Mr. T. K. Sidey, M.P., and Mrs. Sidey.

The visitors were met by the Rector (Very Rev. Father Morkane) and the college professors and shown over the college, their Excellencies manifesting much interest in all they had seen. The cadets amongst the students formed a guard of honor as the visitors entered and left the building. The visitors were entertained in the college library, which had been profusely decorated for the occasion, and a well-executed design of colored electric lights showing the words "Welcome" occupied a prominent place. After the National Anthem had been sung, Very Rev. Father Morkane welcomed their Excellencies. He thanked them for the honor conferred and assured them it was much appreciated. The students sang as a chorus "Worship" (Shaw).

Mr. Paul Cullen on behalf of the students presented her Excellency with a beautiful bouquet of roses from the college gardens, and in a neat little speech she acknowledged the gift.

His Excellency very graciously thanked the professors and students for the warmth of their welcome and the excellent entertainment provided. He imparted much valuable advice to the students and dwelt on the enormous possibilities for good in the life they had chosen to follow. He likewise mentioned the great responsibilities it carried, and urged one and all to prepare as earnestly as possible for work that lay before them. He made special mention of the singing of the students, which had pleased both her Excellency and himself very much.

Their Excellencies made a request for another musical item before taking their leave, and the students sang the "Credo" from the Mass "Te Deum Laudamus" (Perosi).

Rev. Father Andersen conducted the choir and Rev. G. O'Meehan presided at the piano.

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