

There were some people in New Zealand who looked upon the Sinn Feiners as a pack of murderers, but he knew for a fact that all the twelve policemen who were dead in Belfast recently were shot because they were implicated in the death of Mayor O'Callaghan. The Irish secret service found out those twelve men and because they had caused the death of Mayor O'Callaghan, the Sinn Feiners shot them. For that action the Sinn Feiners were called murderers, yet two hundred "Black-and-Tans" attended a football match in Dublin and fired machine guns among a crowd of about 7000 people, fourteen being killed outright and forty wounded. It was the sheer brutality of the Crown forces that was filling the ranks of the republican army which had come into existence to defend Irish liberty. At present the republican army consisted of a force of 68,000 men, 60,000 of whom had seen service in Palestine, Salonika, or France. The army had no commissariat but it was welcomed in every Irish home because it was the only defence the people had against the savageries of the "Black-and-Tans" and the auxiliary cadets. They had no difficulty in getting arms and ammunition so long as they had the money.

"When is it all going to end?" asked the speaker. "I will tell you. When Ireland gets what it wants and not an hour sooner. (Applause.) The young men of Ireland are determined to settle this matter now and forever, even if it means the extermination of the nation. They would rather do that than desist before they get what they want." (Prolonged applause.)

Mr. M. Grimes, in moving a vote of thanks to Dean Hyland for his address, urged that all present should join the New Zealand branch of the Irish Self-Determination League.

Mr. S. Ryan, Mr. M. Mannix, and Father McEvoy also spoke in support of the motion, which was carried unanimously.

The meeting terminated with cheers for Ireland and the singing of "God Save Ireland."

Diocesan News

ARCHDIOCESE OF WELLINGTON

(From our own correspondent.)

August 5.

Rev. Arthur McRae, a student of Holy Cross College, Mosgiel, will be ordained to the priesthood at St. Joseph's Church on Sunday next. After his ordination Father McRae will proceed to the United States for the purpose of studying at the Catholic University at Washington. He will include in his studies—which will occupy a course of two years—the methods adopted by the Paulist Fathers in explaining from the public platform the doctrines of the Church and its teaching on the social problems of the day. On his return to New Zealand Father McRae will take up special work for which he is being trained in the archdiocese.

Keen interest is being taken in the proposal to establish a boys' hostel in this city. A large number of boys from the age of fifteen upwards come to Wellington from the surrounding country districts and other parts of the Dominion to take up positions. It is a most difficult matter to secure accommodation in Catholic homes and at a price to suit the small incomes which the majority of these lads earn during the first years of their employment. Catholic mothers and other persons interested in the welfare of our Catholic boys can assist this movement by helping to furnish the hostel, either by donation of cash or articles of furniture. An appeal is made especially to Catholics resident in the country, as it is for boys belonging to the country that the hostel is being established. Communications in this connection should be addressed to the General Secretary of the Catholic Federation, Box 958, Post Office, Wellington.

The date for the annual meeting of the Dominion Council of the New Zealand Catholic Federation has been fixed for Wednesday, August 31, at Wellington.

The Dominion Executive of the Catholic Federation

met last Wednesday evening, there being present his Grace Archbishop O'Shea, Very Rev. Father O'Connell (president), Messrs. T. P. Halpin, W. F. Johnson, J. A. Scott, M.A., L.L.M., P. D. Hoskins, F. J. Doolan, and A. B. Beake (secretary). Important business in connection with the annual meeting was dealt with, and various remits from the Wellington and Auckland Diocesan Councils were considered and referred to the Dominion Council for action. A resolution of thanks for his valuable work in the cause of the Federation was conveyed to Mr. Halpin, on his retirement from the Executive, and the hope was expressed that his retirement would be only temporary. Mr. Halpin briefly replied.

Cablegrams conveying resolutions of sympathy were despatched by both the Dominion Executive of the Catholic Federation and St. Patrick's branch of the Hibernian Society, to Mrs. T. J. Ryan, on the great loss of her distinguished husband, whose untimely death was recently announced.

Bros. R. Moore and D. Flynn have been appointed delegates to represent St. Patrick's branch of the Hibernian Society at the District half-yearly meeting, which will be held in Auckland on August 31.

The Executive and Trustees of the now defunct Catholic Club met last week for the purpose of disposing of the funds of the Club. The balances at the credit of the late Rev. Brother Mark Memorial Fund and the Catholic Club building fund were donated to the Marist Brothers' Novitiate in New Zealand for the assistance of Wellington boys aspiring to become members of the Order of Marist Brothers. The Brother Mark Memorial Fund is to be immediately handed over to the Rev. Brother Dennis, Provincial of the Marist Brothers in New Zealand. The Club Building Fund is to be invested in debentures in the new Catholic Hall Building Fund, and the interest thereon, as well as the principal sum when redeemed, paid to the Marist Brothers' Novitiate. The sum involved is approximately £200.

The Marist Brothers have secured a property in the Auckland district for the purpose of establishing their New Zealand Novitiate, which it is proposed to commence at the beginning of next year.

DIOCESE OF AUCKLAND

(From our own correspondent.)

August 5.

Since his strenuous campaign on the Bible-in-schools question some years ago, when our beloved Bishop gave himself whole-heartedly to the defence of Catholic rights and conscience, working day and night throughout that long period, and thereby gained a splendid victory for the Faith and rights of conscience, he gained that victory at the cost of health and strength—and almost life itself. His health was completely shattered, and on several occasions since even his life has been despaired of. He has never regained his pristine strength and vigor. In the intervening years he has been practically an invalid. His many friends have advised the Bishop to make a trip to the Old Country, so that absence from his accustomed surroundings and work combined with the benefit of the sea voyage, may help restore his health and prolong his life for many years to the diocese. Owing to the distressing recurrences of attacks of ill-health, his Lordship has been urged by his medical advisers to take a prolonged rest and complete change. To this his Lordship has assented, and will leave in September for a trip to Europe, which we fervently hope may be thoroughly restful and enjoyable, and enable him to return in the near future with renewed health and vigor. Now that Dr. Cleary has been favored by our Holy Father the Pope with the assistance of Coadjutor-Bishop Dr. Liston, his burdens will be considerably lightened, and much of the responsibility shared with the Coadjutor.

Right Rev. Dr. Liston visited Remuera parish on Sunday, July 31, and administered the Sacrament of Confirmation. On the 7th inst his Lordship will visit the Parnell parish.

Rev. Father Eccleton, S.M., who has been in Auckland preaching at the devotion of the Forty Hours' Adoration in several of the city and suburban churches, left for the south on Wednesday last.

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