

tion, the whole being very impressive. The interment took place at Karori, the funeral cortege being a very lengthy and representative one. The Children of Mary formed a guard of honor through which the funeral passed from the church grounds into the street. Father Swiney officiated at the graveside. May her soul rest in peace.

Sacred Heart High School, Nelson

At the Trinity College music examination held by Mr. Myerscough on the 25th ult. at the above school (Sisters of the Missions), Nelson, 22 pupils presented themselves for examination. All were successful, 14 securing honors. The examiner expressed himself very pleased with the work of the candidates. The following are the results:—Higher local piano—Honors 2, pass 1; senior singing—Honors 1, piano 1; intermediate singing—Honors 1, honors. The examiner expressed himself very pleased with piano (honors) 1, pass 1; junior piano—Honors 3, pass 2; preparatory violin—Honors 1; preparatory piano—Honors 4, pass 1; preparatory singing—1; first steps piano—2.

Senior-Sergeant Ryan Honored

The Orange Hall was filled to overflowing on Thursday evening, the 13th ult., when members of the congregation of the Church of the Holy Name, Ashburton, together with many other friends and well-wishers, assembled to do honor and say farewell to Senior-Sergeant P. Ryan and Mrs. Ryan, the Sergeant just having retired on superannuation, and with Mrs. Ryan taken up his residence at Riccarton, Christchurch. Mr. M. J. Burgess, chairman of the church committee, presided, and conducted a very enjoyable euchre tournament, through which were interspersed vocal and instrumental music, recitations, and a clever dance. A pianoforte solo was played by Miss M. Scott, songs were rendered by Miss Maggie Cunningham, Miss Kathleen Burgess, and Mr. M. J. Burgess, who chose a most appropriate theme, and rendered in a very pleasing manner the song "Good-bye, Dear Friends, Good-bye." Miss Eileen Kirk danced a sailor's hornpipe, and Miss Merle Cunningham, a seven-year-old performer, recited in a very pleasing manner the story of the dog "Carlo Brown."

At the close of the tournament the Very Rev. Dean J. J. O'Donnell presented the prizes which had been won. He afterwards expressed the esteem in which the guest of the evening was held by all who came in contact with him both in his social and his official life. He referred to the eulogy expressed by Mr. E. D. Mosley, the Stipendiary Magistrate, on the 40 odd years of Sergeant Ryan's official life, which had been passed without a blemish of any kind; and agreed with the Magistrate this was both an honorable and a unique record that Sergeant Ryan might well be proud of. He also referred to the many excellent qualities of character possessed by Mrs. Ryan. On behalf of those present and many others unable to attend, he presented Sergeant Ryan with a wallet well filled with bank notes.

Mr. L. M. Espagne concurred with all the previous speaker had said, and referred to the splendid example the Sergeant had given the younger members of the police force to follow in the execution of their duty.

Mr. M. J. Burgess in a neat speech endorsed the remarks of the previous speakers. He mentioned the fact that the function was not exactly a private gathering, nor was it really a representative citizens' send-off, but those present felt they could not let so fine a personality and so excellent an official depart without some tangible recognition of his citizenship and service in their midst.

Messrs. W. J. Cunningham and Val. Cullen also spoke in similar terms.

Senior-Sergeant Ryan heartily thanked those who had thought of him in the way that was expressed by their attendance and the very valuable present they had given him and Mrs. Ryan. He felt, so far as he was concerned, that he did not merit it. He had done his duty according to the dictates of his conscience. He had endeavored to give every man he had met in his official dealings a fair and square deal. He was not going far away to live, and he hoped to meet many of his old Ashburton friends as time went on. A hearty welcome to their new home in Riccarton was extended to all their friends.

New Archbishop of Dublin

The Pope has appointed as Archbishop of Dublin the Most Rev. Edward Byrne, Bishop of Spigaz, Assistant Bishop to the late Most Rev. Dr. Walsh (says a Reuter's Rome cablegram to the Irish press).

The new Archbishop, who was raised to the episcopate last year, is a native of Dublin, having been born at Longwood Avenue, S.C.R., in May, 1872. His family came originally from Co. Wicklow.

His Grace received his early education in Belvedere College and Holy Cross College, Clonliffe, and he graduated with honors in the Royal University. In 1892 he went to the Irish College, Rome, where his course was marked by many distinctions, and he was ordained in Rome in 1895.



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Soon afterwards in the same year he returned to Ireland, and held curacies in Rush, Rolleston, Howth, and Blackrock. In 1901 he was appointed Vice-Rector of the Irish College, Rome. For three years he remained Vice-Rector, and during that time brought great powers of administration to bear on his work.

At the close of his three years' term he was, at his own request, brought back to Ireland, and it was then that he was given a curacy in the Pro-Cathedral. For about 15 years he labored in that capacity, and proved himself a most devoted priest. Of a retiring disposition, he was known to be a man of great intellectual powers, while his personality was irresistibly charming. Of tall and stately presence, he is eminently fitted to command respect and veneration, and this by a natural, quiet, mild dignity rather than by any obtrusive characteristic. His college life and his career of active priesthood, especially in the Pro-Cathedral parish, have combined to render him equally at home among his ecclesiastical colleagues or among the poor of a crowded city parish, and in an especial degree in the latter case have his qualities of gentleness and charity been put into practice, and impressed on all with whom his ministrations brought him into association.

As a preacher he has won high opinions, his convincing eloquence being such as to command the attention and admiration of any congregation. His remarkably able panegyric following the death of the late Most Rev. Dr. Donnelly, Bishop of Canea, created a profound impression. It is noteworthy that Dr. Byrne was transferred from a simple curacy to the episcopate, when, at the comparatively early age of 48, he was, in succession to Most Rev. Dr. Donnelly, appointed in 1920 Titular Bishop of Spigaz and assistant to the late Archbishop of Dublin.

The Most Rev. Dr. Byrne's election to the episcopate marks the third instance within living memory in which a curate was directly appointed a Bishop, the two previous instances being the appointments of the late Most Rev. Dr. O'Dwyer and the late Most Rev. Dr. McCormack.