

WELLINGTON NOTES.

Broadcasting Match Not Broadcast

Win For the Board in Annual Cricket Contest Against P. and T.—
Speculation About the New Station — Talks About the
Family — Verdicts to be Published.

WITH six wickets in hand, the Broadcasting Board beat the Post and Telegraph Department, Wellington, last week, in the third of the annual matches between these teams. so for the first time the Hands Shield will have the name of the B.B. inscribed on it. The game was one of the features of the week as far as Wellington broadcasting people were concerned, although it was not relayed through 2YA. Perhaps the innovation of a Maori haka by the B.B. men before the match started put the P. and T. off their game a little. This was the most unusual feature of the contest. Although the Board won the toss, they sent the P. and T. in for the first

clearer as more information is made public, and although criticism in a case like this is natural, it is obviously founded more on ignorance than on knowledge, so it would be as well to wait until more is known about the project before coming to too definite conclusions. It appears that the new station will be something unique for New Zealand in more ways than one, and it is only a matter of time when the board will be able to take the public into its confidence. Meanwhile we may look forward to having something to be really proud of in the way of national stations.

SCOTS had a "night out" last week. when 2YA gave a Scottish musical-hall programme for an hour. The items were musical, full of boisterous fun and songs. The show was put over with a fire of commentary from a "Glaswegian" at the studio, and was well received by Scot and Saxon alike.

THE "Family" series is arousing interest among listeners who have advanced a few years along the road since puberty. Last week's talk from Wellington was delivered by Mr. W. A. Armour, headmaster of Wellington College, who gave some solid, un-academic advice about "Your Son." If anybody should know something about sons, it is the master of a big school—if he has a sense of humour and understanding to start with. Mr. Armour's talk was of good substance, and his presentation was excellent. On Friday of this week Mrs. Mary McKenzie is to continue the series at station 2YA with a talk on "Your Husband."

WHEN he reappears at the St. Patrick's concert in the Wellington Town Hall on Saturday, March 16, Mr. Dan Foley, hailed as "New Zealand's John

McCormack," will be making his first appearance in the Capital City in three years. Mr. Foley is well known as a singer of Irish songs and, during the past few months, he has made several triumphant appearances on the stage in southern towns—Timaru, Oamaru, Ashburton, Temuka and Reefton. At each of these places he was greeted warmly, and his splendid and warm-hearted singing of the songs of the shamrock quickly endeared him to his audiences. After he has appeared at the Wellington Town Hall he will go on to Masterton and Carterton. Mr. Foley is to broadcast from 2YA on Saturday, April 6, when he will be assisted by Mr. Frank Crowther.

A WELL-KNOWN Wellington 'cellist who will be heard from 2YA on Tuesday, March 26, is Mr. Claude Tanner. He will perform the Saint-Saens 'Cello Concerto in A Minor with the 2YA Concert Orchestra. Mr. Tanner studied the 'cello at the Royal Academy of Music, London, under the famous W. E. Whitehouse. Chamber music he studied with the world-famous viola player, Lionel Tertis, and his knowledge of conducting and orchestral playing he gained under Sir Henry Wood. Before he returned to New Zealand Mr. Tanner held the position of professor of the 'cello at the Royal Academy of Music for three years. Since his arrival in the Dominion this young 'cellist has made a name for himself over the air.

WE TELL YOU YOUR VERDICT

EACH week the "Radio Record" will provide readers with the result of the "We Await Your Verdict" latest case broadcast for which the verdict is available. The verdict is provided by listeners who send their opinions to the Broadcasting Board, and it is necessarily a "majority verdict."

The last result available was that of the case in which Blair Meredith claimed damages from Harvey Thropton for alleged slander. The jury of listeners awarded the case to the defendant, 54 per cent. considering that Meredith's case did not warrant the damages he claimed.

Last week Hilda Tarpin sued Farmer Blitzler for heavy damages for alleged breach of promise, and the case appears to have been listened to by an unusually large number of enthusiasts—most of them probably women. Whether this will, against the principles of British law, affect the verdict will be proved when the announcement of the voting is made next week.

strike, and that team compiled 80. It was only a one-innings match, and when the Board went in they did not take long to pass the others' score. They were four wickets down for 127 when they might have declared, but just to show how much the Board had improved in the last year, they went ahead and finished the innings for a total of 195.

DETAILS for the new station at Wellington which have escaped from the Broadcasting Board have given rise to a considerable amount of discussion, not to say speculation among listeners and non-listeners alike. The most popular question in this connection at present is, "What- ever do we want a station like that for?" Points of this sort will be made

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