

DEATH OF REV. J. FALCONER.

Obsequies at St. Patrick's.

The death of Rev. James Falconer, formerly of New Zealand, and late of Mitchell, Queensland, took place at the Mater Misericordiae Hospital, South Brisbane, on Saturday, after a long and severe illness. His remains were conveyed to St. Patrick's Church, Valley, the place of his first missionary work in Australia. A large number of priests and people assembled at St. Patrick's to take part in the obsequies. The office for the dead was chanted, and a solemn requiem mass was sung for the repose of his soul. The priests of the parish made touching reference at all the masses to Father Falconer's death, and at the conclusion of each mass the Dead March in Saul was played by the organist (Miss Lambrose). The men of the parish kept watch beside the remains till the mass on Monday morning. The deceased priest's two sisters were with him to the last. Amongst those present in the sanctuary were Very Rev. Fathers H. Fitzgerald, P.P., V.F. (South Brisbane) and W. Lee, P.P., V.F. (Rosalie), Rev. Fathers R. Walsh, W. O'Sullivan, J. F. M'Carthy, J. Power, M. O'Flynn, W. Cashman, F. Burton, J. Gowen, W. Byrne, P. Murphy, J. O'Reilly, A. O'Keefe, M. Jordan, Fr. Shannon, C.S.S.R., F. O'Connell, J. Kelly, W. M'Goldrick, M. M. Gallagher, T. Lalor, P. Masterson, T. O'Connor, E. Stanaway, J. Dowd, L. Carlen, E. Keating. The celebrant of the mass was Rev. E. Stanaway, a native of New Zealand, with Rev. T. O'Connor as deacon and Rev. P. Masterson as subdeacon. Rev. T. Lalor was master of ceremonies. The chanter of the office were Revs. W. Cashman and F. O'Connell. The last absolution was pronounced by the Rev. E. Stanaway. After the funeral sermon was preached by the Rev. M. O'Flynn, the funeral cortege proceeded to the Nudgee cemetery, where the last sad rites were conducted by the Rev. Father O'Flynn, assisted by the metropolitan clergy.