

LATE FATHER GOWEN.

"A LIFE OF GENTLENESS."

"The life of each and every man has some outstanding characteristic, and the outstanding fact in Father Gowen's life was its gentleness. He had in very truth the gentleness appertaining to that of His Divine Master," said his Grace Archbishop Dahig, in the course of an eloquent panegyric on the life of the late Father Gowen at the Requiem Mass in St. Stephen's Cathedral yesterday, prior to the funeral of the late parish priest of St. Cecilia's Church, Hamilton. Prior to the opening of the ceremony, many members of the large congregation approached



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the casket, which was placed before the high altar, and knelt in prayer for the repose of the soul of the departed.

During the mass his Grace was assisted at the throne by Monsignor Potter and Monsignor Byrne. Rev. Father O'Leary celebrated the mass, the Rev. Father Jordan was Deacon, and the Rev. Father Dee Subdeacon. The Rev. T. O'Connor was Master of Ceremonies.

The following priests were present:—Reverends W. Lee, P. Corrigan, H. Fitzgerald, J. Power, J. Murphy, P. Murphy, W. Byrne, J. Burke, J. F. McCarthy, J. McCarthy, J. Carlton, E. A. Stanaway, M. Lane, W. Cashman, J. Roney, S.J., M. Collins, C.S.S.R., P. Shannon, C.S.S.R., A. Wright, J. Flanagan, J. Hegarty, W. English, V. Wheeler, E. S. Barry, T. P. Laing, J. Gallagher, J. Keating, J. O'Callaghan, J. Dowling, M. P. Curran, W. Hogan, M. Irvine, E. Carroll, T. Molony, F. Burton, and J. O'Reilly.

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A FAITHFUL WORKER.

In the course of his address his Grace paid a tribute to the work of the departed. He said that the history of the parish of Hamilton would be inseparably connected with the work of the deceased. All his life Father Gowen was a man of peace, and never in his life did he offer the least hurt or offence to any one, whether of his own or those who did not belong to his own faith. He would also be remembered with deep affection at St. Vincent's, where he so long had ministered. He had a very kind heart, and showed it when he was chaplain there. His fine nobleness was always exercised on behalf of the young and the poor.

At the conclusion of the Mass the casket was carried to the waiting hearse, followed by all the assembled clergy.

A lengthy cortege followed the remains, which were interred in the Nudgee Roman Catholic Cemetery. His Grace Archbishop Dahig performed the last sad offices at the graveside.

Among those present, in addition to the clergy, were:—Mr. G. W. Gray and Mrs. Gray, Mr. M. Ryan and the Misses Rita and Doreen Ryan (Clayfield), Mr. F. McDonnell, Mrs. M. Dore and Master Vincent Dore, Mrs. E. Farrelly, Mr. John Tipper, Messrs. J. A. O'Hagan, M. Walsh (manager of the "Catholic Advocate"), L. Keating (editor, "Catholic Advocate"), J. E. Donovan, W. Byrne, P. Nolan, R. McGroarty, D. McDonald, H. Walsh, J. Peat, J. Trackson, J. Guilfoyle.

Wreaths were sent by Mr. and Mrs. Rice, Moortooks, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Murphy, The Children of Mary, St. Cecilia's, Hamilton, and Mrs. A. Watkins.