

Hawkins Notes - St Mary & St Francis De Sale, Rangiora (R31/017)

31 July 1871

Mrs Percival gave land for a cemetery (an acre), a school (an acre) and a priest's house also given.

The new cemetery (RC was consecrated by Rev Father Boibieux on Friday 28 July 1871) with the burial of Donald McGrath of Oxford who had died as the result of an accident while ploughing with a team - first person buried - number of people there.

Lyttelton Times (R11/1310) - McGrath

20/03/1879 Page 4 - Peter, RR, contractor, gains tender for northern railway extension to Waipara

27/10/1880 Page 4 - Mr P., buys ketch 'Eagle' for small sum

18/05/1881 Page 3 - P., in RR Court, trespassing with dogs and gun

20/07/1881 Page 4 - Mr & Moody, new Saleyards in RR opened

04/08/1881 Page 4 - Thomas & Mrs., producers at Spring Creek Farm, View Hill, Oxford, of trial keg of butter exported to England

31/12/1881 Page 4 - Mr P., holds horse fair at RR

21/12/1882 Page 3 - John, in Kaiapoi Court, charge of damaging property

Standard (R18/006)

16.07.1881 - New auction firm of MCGRATH & MOODY to open next Tuesday

17.09.1881 - Town Sections - a few town sections will be offered for the vendors, Messrs MCGRATH & MOODY at their auction mart on Tuesday next.

Standard (R11/2428)

31.12.1881 - Mr Peter MCGRATH held horse sale

Standard (R11/2429)

04.01.1882 - Mr P MCGRATH to hold a clearing sale of stable plant horses, etc of Mr John BURT

Standard (R11/2430)

08.11.1882 - Mr P MCGRATH of Rangiora successful contractor for reclamation work at Te Aro end of Wellington, will depart for Wellington

22.11.1882 - MCGRATH family left yesterday for Wellington

Standard (R18/008)

01.04.1882 - Mr P MCGRATH has accepted a tender from Mr BAILEY for erection of a business premises next to Mr MCKAYs Tinsmith Shop in HIGH STREET. Some 2.20 was the difference between the successful tender and the next lowest.