

WELLINGTON.—ST. PATRICK'S DAY.

GRAND PICNIC AND SPORTS
At Father Lane's Grounds, LOWER HUTT.

Special Items of Interest to Old and Young.
All should attend and make the gathering a truly National one.

GRAND CONCERT IN THE TOWN HALL IN THE EVENING.
See Posters.

F. FITZGIBBON, } Hon. Secretaries.
A. B. CLARK, }

RANFURLY CATHOLIC PRESBYTERY ART UNION.

THE GRAND DRAWING OF PRIZES
In aid of the
RANFURLY CATHOLIC PRESBYTERY BUILDING FUND
Will take place without fail in the
RANFURLY HALL ON ST. PATRICK'S DAY,
MARCH 17, 1905.

Holdes of Books of Tickets are earnestly requested to forward
books and remittances as soon as possible to the
Rev. W. A. McMULLAN,
Ranfurlly.

THE PROVINCIAL ECCLESIASTICAL SEMINARY
OF NEW ZEALAND,
HOLY CROSS COLLEGE, MOSGIEL.

IN conformity with arrangements made at the First Provincial
Synod, held in Wellington in 1899, this Seminary has been
established for the Education of Students from all parts of New
Zealand who aspire to the Ecclesiastical State. Holy Cross College
is situated at Mosgiel (ten miles from Dunedin) in a fine building
hitherto known as Mosgiel House, which, with more than 11 acres
of rich park land surrounding it, was purchased for use as a Seminary
for the Ecclesiastical Province of New Zealand.

Students twelve years of age and upwards will be admitted.

Candidates for admission are required to present satisfactory
testimonials from the parochial clergy, and from the superiors of
schools or colleges where they may have studied.

The Pension is £35 a year, payable half-yearly in advance. It
provides for Board and Lodging, Tuition, School Books, Furniture,
Bedding and House Linen.

The Extra Charges are: Washing, £1 10s a year, and Medicine
and Medical Attendance if required.

Students will provide their own wearing apparel, including the
Soutane, as well as Surplice for assistance in Choir.

The Annual Vacation begins on the 15th of December and ends
on the 15th of February.

The Seminary is under the patronage and direction of the Arch-
bishop and Bishops of New Zealand, and under the immediate per-
sonal supervision of the Right Rev. Bishop of Dunedin.

Donations towards the establishment of Bursaries for the Free
Education of Ecclesiastical Students will be thankfully received.

The College RE-OPENED on WEDNESDAY, February 15.

The course of studies is arranged to enable students who enter
the College to pass for Matriculation, and afterwards the various
Examinations for degrees.

For further particulars apply to

THE Rector,
Holy Cross College, Mosgiel.

EDITOR'S NOTICES.

Send news WHILE IT IS FRESH. Stale reports
will not be inserted.

Communications should reach this office BY TUES-
DAY MORNING. Only the briefest paragraphs
have a chance of insertion if received by Tues-
day night's mails.

Reports of MARRIAGES and DEATHS are not
selected or compiled at this office. To secure
insertion they must in every case be accompanied
by the customary death or marriage advertise-
ment, for which a charge of 2s 6d is made.

ADDRESS matter intended for publication 'Editor,
'Tablet,' Dunedin,' and not by name to any
member of the Staff.

ANONYMOUS COMMUNICATIONS are thrown into
the waste-paper basket.

Write legibly, ESPECIALLY NAMES of persons and
places.

ANSWER TO CORRESPONDENT

ANXIOUS INQUIRER.—We know nothing of the
'Bethlehem Institute.' But if it is trafficking in sac-
red things in the manner indicated by you, it is act-
ing in direct and flagrant violation of a Papal decree,
and you need have no hesitation in writing it down
a fraud. Let your charity begin at home. The Maori
missions are, so to speak, at your door, and need the
help of generous souls.

MARRIAGE.

McGRATH—VANNINI.—On the 2nd February, at St.
Joseph's Cathedral, by Rev. Father Cleary, assisted by
Rev. Father P. O'Neill, John, eldest son of Patrick
McGrath, of Bluff, to Adelina Hartley, eldest daughter
of the late Cosmo Damiano Vannini, and Margaret
Braun, of Dunedin.

DEATH.

FALCONER.—At his parents' residence, Aln street,
Oamaru, on 26th February, Thomas Philip, second son
of Thomas and Bridget Falconer.—R.I.P.



To promote the cause of Religion and Justice by the
ways of Truth and Peace.

LEO. XIII. to the N.Z. TABLET.

THURSDAY, MARCH 9, 1905.

THE ANTI-CONSUMPTION CRUSADE



LEORD CADURCIS, in Disraeli's 'Venetia,' found
death a great 'botherer.' He comes in a
thousand varied shapes—with more disguises
than Corney Grain—and lets life out by all
manner of strange exits. In New Zealand
tuberculosis is the door that he opens most
frequently to let the imprisoned soul take
wing. Pulmonary consumption alone dis-
solves the life-long partnership between eight
hundred pairs of souls and bodies in this country every
year. Their money value has been estimated at about
£210,000. But this represents only a part of the na-
tion's loss. The regiment of consumptives that flit
from among us every year—generally before the meridian
of life is reached—represent but a fraction of those
among our population that are suffering from the in-
roads of the poison-dealing bacillus of tuberculosis.
Their wealth-producing power is seriously impaired by
the deadly distillations of the fungoid enemy within
them. In the case of the poor it means a resort to
lighter work—which also means lighter pay and retren-
ched comforts. And then chafing idleness, and the pinch
of poverty, and the long-coming release that sends them
to slumber with the dead.

The Waikato Sanatorium at Cambridge marked the
beginning of the State-aided campaign against consump-
tion in New Zealand. In a recent paper on 'The Duty
of the State towards Consumption,' Dr. Mason, the
Chief Health Officer for New Zealand, strongly depre-
cated, however, the tendency to lean upon the Govern-
ment in the crusade against consumption. He advocated
more of organised effort by local or individual units.
Here are his specifications for the machinery required
for an effective campaign against the prolific and deadly
parasite of consumption:—

(1) There should be adequate accommodation for
all persons suffering from the disease. I don't mean by
this that all should be housed in institutions. (2) There