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On Monday, 4th February, 1907.

TERMS ON APPLICATION.

TESTIMONIAL TO HIS LORDSHIP BISHOP GRIMES.

At a representative meeting of the Catholics of Christchurch, it was unanimously resolved that a fitting reception be accorded his LORDSHIP BISHOP GRIMES on his return to the Diocese, and that he be presented with a Testimonial. The hearty co-operation of all sympathisers with the movement is respectfully requested.

..... CONTRIBUTIONS may be sent to the Very Rev. Vicar-General, the Cathedral, Christchurch; P. Burke, Esq., hon. treasurer; or E. O'Connor, Esq., J.P., hon. secretary.

..... Owing to the limited time intervening, the Executive Committee will feel grateful at an early response.

A NEW CONVENT AT AKAROA
WILL BE OPENED AND BLESSED
ON SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 17,
By the VICAR-GENERAL OF CHRISTCHURCH (the VERY
REV. FATHER LE MENANT DES CHESNAIS, S.M.).

DONATIONS from friends desiring to help the Building Fund will be gratefully acknowledged by the Sisters of Mercy.

A YOUNG LADY (member of R.C.O., and for three years Assistant in the Dublin Cathedral) wishes to get a position as Organist in the Colony.

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20th, 21st, and 23rd FEBRUARY.

HOLIDAY EXCURSION TICKETS to DUNEDIN will be issued from any station on the Hurunui-Bluff Section (including Queenstown) from 18th to 22nd February, inclusive, also from Oamaru, Clinton, and intermediate stations, including branches, by trains arriving at Dunedin before 20 p.m. on 23rd February, available for return till MONDAY, 4th MARCH.
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DEATH

BROSNAHAN.—At Washdyke, on February 6th, Eliza, the beloved wife of Timothy H. Brosnahan; aged 58 years.—R.I.P.

MESSAGE OF POPE LEO XIII. TO THE N.Z. TABLET.

Pergant Directores et Scriptores New Zealand Tablet, Apostolica Benedictione confortati, Religionis et Justitie causam promovere per vias Veritatis et Pacis.

Die 4 Aprilis, 1900.

LEO XIII., P.M.

TRANSLATION.—Fortified by the Apostolic Blessing, let the Directors and Writers of the New Zealand Tablet continue to promote the cause of Religion and Justice by the ways of Truth and Peace.

April 4, 1900.

LEO XIII., Pope.



THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 1907.

A WAR ON WOMEN



EARLY twelve months ago the London 'Telegraph', a secular daily paper, wrote editorially as follows of the Catholic Church:—

"It is one of the strangest characteristics of the Church of Rome that she alone among the denominations has discovered the secret of grappling to herself with hooks of steel men and women from every rank of society and every grade of culture. Whatever their worldly position, whatever their degree of intellectual development, her power over them is a real and binding one. It is only those with some personal knowledge of her adherents who have any idea of the diversity of individual conviction which attains repose under the apparently rigid and unbending system by which her authority is exercised."

Many of her converts (said the same journal) are from the affluent and highly educated classes, and not a few of the most cultured sceptics turn to her at last in their despair and become her zealous supporters."

Another and beautiful outstanding feature of the Church of Christ is her wealth of charitable activity. It is as wide as the great field of human suffering and woe. Its energising zeal is ever blossoming into new ways and means of alleviating suffering and reclaiming the fallen, and to these great works of mercy the Church has also 'grappled with hooks of steel men and women from every rank of society and every grade of culture'. Envy, like death, loves a shining mark. And it is in the nature of things that the Church should be from time to time assailed in her works of charity. In France it produced the coarsest calumnies from the enemies of all religion, bent upon finding a plausible pretext for the spoliation and proscription that has in part run its course. It was fitting that the highest and most exacting charity—that of reclaiming fallen women—should be made the target of the vilest slander. It was so in France. It is so in Australia, where for several years past an organised campaign of Orange calumny has been directed against the Sisters of the Good Shepherd, whose work for the wayward of their sex, as in New Zealand, leaves the tongue of panegyric stammering for lack of words. In France the campaign of vilification was carried on by the lineal descendants of those who placed a brazen member of the demi-monde upon the

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