

good competition. During the week we have disposed of quite a number of spring-vanners and heavy harness sorts at from £16 10s to £33. We quote:

Superior young draught geldings, at from £45 to £50; extra good do prize-winners, at from £50 to £55; superior young draught mares, at from £50 to £60; medium draught mares and geldings, at from £30 to £40; aged do, at from £15 to £20; well-matched carriage pairs, at from £70 to £100; strong spring-van horses, at from £25 to £30; milk-cart and butchers' order-cart horses, at from £18 to £35; light hacks, at from £8 to £13; extra good hacks and harness horses, at from £13 to £25; weedy and good do, at from £5 to £7.

Palmerston North

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

December 6.

The devotion of the Forty Hours' Adoration began in St. Patrick's Church after the 11 o'clock Mass on Sunday last. The Rev. Father Herring celebrated Mass, the occasional sermon being preached by the Right Rev. Mgr. O'Reilly, who also preached to a crowded congregation at Vespers. The Rev. Father Mahony, of Wanganui, preached on Monday evening. The devotions were brought to a close on Tuesday morning.

Late Burnside Stock Report

Cattle.—There was a good yarding of 164. The quality was very fair, but there were no pens of extra prime. The demand all round was good, and prices firmed considerably. Best bullocks, £10 to £10 17s 6d; medium, £8 10s to £9 15s; light, £7 to £8; best cows and heifers, £6 15s to £7 12s 6d; medium, £5 10s to £6 10s; inferior, up to £5 5s.

Sheep.—There was a big yarding of 2810, consisting chiefly of old ewes and a few pens of shorn wethers. In consequence of the quality there was a slump in prices. The drop in ewes was from 2s to 3s per head, and in wethers from 1s to 1s 6d. Best shorn wethers, 16s to 18s 6d; extra, up to 20s; medium, 13s 9d to 15s; light, up to 12s 6d; best shorn ewes, 12s to 13s 6d; medium, 4s 6d to 9s; best ewes in wool, up to 20s 6d.

Lambs.—480 penned. Prices were firm at the beginning of the sale, but towards the end fell about 1s per head. Best lambs, up to 17s 6d; medium, 14s to 15s; inferior, 9s to 12s 6d.

Pigs.—95 forward. Suckers were in small supply. Suckers, 18s to 20s; slips, 23s to 28s; stores, 33s to 37s; porkers, 43s to 47s; light baconers, 48s to 54s; heavy do, 55s to 59s; choppers, up to 70s.

At the horticultural show held at Wanganui on Thursday (writes a correspondent) Owen Grogan and Charles Greener, of the Marist Brothers' School, secured first and second prizes respectively for freehand drawing. At the agricultural show held the previous week Charles Jensen and Charles Greener from the same school obtained first and second prizes for the same subject.

Caledonian Society of Otago

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SOCIETY'S GROUNDS, KENSINGTON.
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	£	s.	d.
Running and Walking	140	0	0
Bagpipe Music	27	10	0
Dancing	41	10	0
Wrestling	50	0	0
Cycling	40	0	0
Hammer, Caber, and Ball	17	15	0
Wood-chopping Competition (2nd day)	20	0	0
Quoiting	7	15	0

The Athletic Union of New Zealand will give certificates to winners of events in Running, Walking, Dancing, Hammer, Ball, Caber, and Wrestling; and the Otago Centre N.Z.A.U. will give a Gold Medal, value £3 3s, to the winner of most points in cash class of events. Medal, value £3 3s, will be given to the best All-round Athlete competing at the gathering.

FOR DETAILS SEE PROGRAMME.

ENTRIES for Running and Walking CLOSE at the Secretary's Office, 27 Rattray Street, at 8 p.m. on SATURDAY, 19th December; Cycling, on SATURDAY, 19th December, at 5 p.m. For all other Events on THURSDAY, 24th December, at 8 p.m.

Entry Money for Dunedin and Caledonian Handicaps, 3s 6d. All Events with prize-money exceeding £5 for first prize, 3s 6d. Wrestling, 3s 6d. For all other Events, 2s 6d. Youths' Races, 1s.

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