THE PROVINCIAL ECCLESIASTICAL SEMINARY OF NEW ZEALAND.

HOLY CROSS COLLEGE, MOSGIEL,

In conformity with arrangements made at the First Provincia 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. The Holy Cross College is situated at Mosgiel (10 miles from Dunedin) in a line building hitherto known as Mosgiel House, which, with 11 acres of rich park land surrounding it, was purchased for use as a Seminary for the Ecclesiastical Province of New Zealand.

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

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 College Gown, as well as Surplice for assistance in Choir.

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

The Seminary is under the Patronage and Direction of the Archbishop and Bishops of New Zealand, and under the immediate personal supervision of the Right Rev. Bishop of Dunedin, who will act as Rector.

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For further Particulars apply to the Vice-Rector, Holy Cross College, Mosgiel.

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CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS, 1902 - 1903,

EXCURSION FARES.

HOLIDAY EXCURSION TICKETS will be issued from ANY STATION to any ANY STATION on Hurunui-Bluff Section from Thursday, 18th December, to Friday, 2nd January, available for return up to and including Thursday, 19th February, 1903.

The Return Fares will be:

SECOND CLASS, FIRST CLASS. 2d per Mile 1d per Mile The Minimum being 4s and 2s respectively.

Goods and Live Stock Traffic will be suspended on December 25 and 26 and January 1 and 2.

By Order.

EDITOR'S NOTICES.

Correspondents are particularly requested to bear in mind hal to insure publication in any particular issue of the paper communications must reach this Office not later than Tuesday morning.

Subscribers desiring to have obituary notices inserted in this paper should either communicate with the editor or send cory of local paper containing particulars. Unless they do this they must not be disappointed if notices of recent deaths do not appear in our columns.

CALEDONIAN SOCIETY OF OTAGO.

NNUAL GATHERING,

JANUARY 1 and 2, 1903, SOCIETY'S GROUNDS, KENSINGTON.

£475 GIVEN IN PRIZES.

Running and W	alking		•••	***	£195	0	0
Ragpipe Music		***	•••	***	19	10	ŏ
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Cycling	•••	•••	***	***	75	0	0
Hammer, Caber,	and Ball	•••	***	***	12	0	0
Vaulting with P		***	**	•••	14	0	0
Wood-chopping	Competitio	n](seco:	nd day)	***	22	0	0
Quoiting	***	•••	***	***	8	10	0

FOR DETAILS SEE PROGRAMME.

Entries for Running and Walking Close at the Society's Office 27 Rattray street, at 8 p.m., on SATURDAY, 13th December; Cycling, on FRIDAY, 26th December, at 5 p.m.; for all other; events on FRIDAY, 26th December, at 8 p.m.

Entry Money for Dunedin and Caledonian Handicaps, 3s 6d each distance; all events with prize-money exceeding £6 for first prize, 3s 6d; Wrestling, 3s 6d; for all other events, 2s 6d; Youths' Races 1s.

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Side Shows of every description will be on the ground, and all the fun of a Scottish Fair.

WILLIAM REID, Secretary, 27 Rattray street.

CONVENT OF THE SACRED HEART, TIMARD.

The Annual Spiritual Retreat for Ladies, preached by a Jesuit Father, will begin on the evening of Monday, January 5, and end on Saturday morning, January 10.

Ladies who wish to attend should spply as soon as possible to the Reverend Mother.

DEATH.

Of your charity pray for the soul of Margaret Ellen McCaughan wife of Archibald McCaughan, of Mossburn, and daughter of Patrick and Anne McNames, of Garston, who died 22nd November, 1902; aged 26 years,—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, DECEMBER 11, 1902.

CATHOLICS AND THE CIVIL SERVICE.

BOUT a year ago, on the occasion of a byeelection at Caversham, one of the candidates, with a view to capturing the somewhat large Orange vote in the electorate, openly raised the cry that the Government of this Colony, in return for the promise of Catholic support, had been and were still 'stuffing' the various departments of the Civil Service with members lic body. The editor of the N.Z. TABLET at

of the Catholic body. once publicly challenged the statement, and called upon the author to produce his proof. No proof was forthcoming, and Father 'LEARY then went further and undertook that if a Royal Commission were appointed to inquire into the matter he would bring abundant evidence before the Commission to show that not only was this charge not true, but that the very opposite was the case, and that Catholics