

GRAND POPULAR CONCERT

IN AID OF . . .

St. Vincent De Paul's Society

IN THE . . .

GARRISON HALL

ON . . .

FRIDAY, MAY 22nd, 1903

PROGRAMME:—Part I.

- 1.—CHORUS - "The Organ's Peal" - *Glover*
PUPILS OF THE CHRISTIAN BROTHERS.
- 2.—SONG - "Dear Heart" - *Tito Mattai*
MISS DUNSMUIR.
- 3.—SONG - "The Message from the King" - *Pinsuti*
MR. E. EAGAR.
- 4.—RECITATION - - - - - MRS. WHITMAN
- 5.—SONG - "The Children's Home" - *Cowan*
MISS ROSE BLANEY.
- 6.—SONG - "A Hundred Fathoms Deep" - - -
MR. W. W. BRUNSDEN.
- 7.—GLEE - "Come Dorothy Come" - *Swabian Volkslied*
ST. JOSEPH'S CHOIR.
- 8.—SONG - - - - - Humorous - - - MR. T. ANTONY

INTERVAL OF FIVE MINUTES.

Part II.

- 1.—BAYONET EXERCISE - DUNEDIN HIGHLAND RIFLES
- 2.—SONG - - - Selected - - MISS E. LEONARD
- 3.—SONG - "The Charmed Cup" - - - *Rocuhel*
MR. T. HUSSEY.
- 4.—SONG - "Slumber Song" - *Harrison White*
MISS ROSE BLANEY.
- 5.—RECITATION - - - - - MR. A. C. HANLON
- 6.—CHORUS { a. "My Love is Like a Red Red Rose" (Scotch) }
{ b. "Bridal March" (Lohengrin) *Wagner* }

ACCOMPANISTS—MISS E. HUGHES & MR. ALBERT VALLIS.

Piano kindly lent by the Dresden Piano Company.

W. CARR, }
J. J. MARLOW, } *Hon. Secs.*

Competitive Designs.

DESIGNS are invited for a brick building for a Convent for the Sisters of Mercy, Palmerston North, at a cost not to exceed £2000; the sum of £25 to be the award for the first prize design.

Conditions of the competition may be seen at 'TABLET' office, Dunedin, or on application to Rev. Father Tymons, Palmerston North.

Competition closes with Rev. Father Tymons, Palmerston North, on August 5th, 1903, at 5 p.m.

W. RYAN,
Secretary.

THE STROKE ORPHANAGE.

We beg to acknowledge the following sums entrusted to us for the Stoke Orphanage:—

	£	s.	d.
His Lordship Bishop Verdon	10	0	0
Rev. Father Murphy, Adm. (Dunedin)	5	5	0
Rev. Father Fauvel, S.M. (Temuka)	5	0	0
Very Rev J O'Neill (Milton)	5	0	0
Rev. Father Coffey (Dunedin)	3	3	0
Rev. H. W. Cleary (Dunedin)	3	3	0
Rev. Father Howard (Dunedin)	3	0	0
Rev. Father O'Malley (Dunedin)	1	1	0

We shall be glad to receive, acknowledge, and forward further subscriptions entrusted to us for this great and sorely-trying charity.

EDITOR, 'N.Z. TABLET,'
DUNEDIN.

THE SISTERS OF MERCY
Beg to inform the public that they are now prepared to take Pupils for the
VIRGIL CLAVIER METHOD
of Pianoforte Playing.

Terms on Application.

CONVENT OF MERCY, SOUTH DUNEDIN.



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

LEO XIII. to the N.Z. TABLET.

THURSDAY, MAY 14, 1903.

THE VICTORIAN STRIKE



OUR neighbors beyond the Tasman Sea in Victoria are passing through a strange and eventful experience. A railway strike is at present in full swing in the State. In one vital respect it is, perhaps, the most remarkable strike on record, for it has no association with questions of wages or the direct conditions of labor. Its history is soon told. Last year the Victorian Government found it necessary to draw upon 'the poor man's mint,' economy. Retrenchment became the order of the day. The wages of the public servants were reduced. Four of the railway employes' unions—numbering some 12,000 men, with funds amounting to £72,000—subsequently affiliated with the Trades Hall. All went well till January 19, when the Commissioner of Railways issued a notification that their action was a violation of the purpose and spirit of Regulation No. 33, which enacts that 'no employe shall be a member of a political association of any kind.' The unions were not, however, disposed to break with the Trades Hall, and there, for the moment, the matter lay. Some weeks ago they were again called upon by the Government to sever their connection with the Trades Hall. The unions formally refused to do so, disputed the Commissioner's interpretation of the Regulation, denied that the Trades Hall was 'a political association,' and questioned, in the circumstances, the legal power of dismissal which the Government threatened to exercise. Then followed an ultimatum, threatening the members of the unions with summary dismissal unless the order of withdrawal was obeyed by last Tuesday. The reply was a counter-ultimatum, notifying the Government that, unless they withdrew the order against affiliation to the Trades Hall, the unions would go out on strike. The notification went unheeded, and at the appointed hour—the stroke of midnight on Friday—the men on duty went out. The threatened strike was at once in full blast.

The strike of cabmen in Naples and of tram-drivers in Antwerp two years ago produced keen local discomfort and embarrassment. And last year's great coal strike in the United States brought about sharp distress when the unsparring cold of winter extended its domain over the central and northern towns and cities of the United States. These and such-like labor wars gave trade and industry an uneasy limp. They did not cripple it outright. But the closing of the throttle-valve on the last railway engine at the witching hour on Friday night at once dislocated almost the whole machinery of Victoria's commerce. Like New South Wales, Victoria is (as anatomists would say) megaloccephalous—it has an overgrown head. It presents what is to the political economist the disquieting enormity of having close on half of its population of 1,200,000 souls gathered together in the one city of Melbourne. The State

RIDE "ANGLO SPECIAL" CYCLES.