## CATHOLIC CARNIVAL AND ART UNION, PETONE.

Owing to a number of the blocks not having come to hand, permission has been given to extend the date of drawing the above-mentioned Art Union to DE-CEMBER 10, 1913. All those with tickets are requested to be good enough to forward Blocks and Remittances before that date to—

REV. FATHER McMENAMIN, Petone.

## **RAKAIA ART UNION**

The Art Union in aid of the Rakaia (Canterbury) Convent and School Building Fund will be drawn on FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 28. Holders of Tickets are respectfully requested to forward blocks and remittances at their earliest convenience. The urgent attention of kind friends will be deeply appreciated.

REV. DR. KENNEDY.

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Drawn Saturday, November 22, 1913.

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3	 4188	7	20467	11	12600	15	615
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## CONVENT OF THE SACRED HEART, TIMARU.

The ANNUAL SPIRITUAL RETREAT for LADIES will begin at 7 p.m. on FRIDAY, the 2nd of JANUARY, and will end on the morning of WEDNESDAY, the 7th day of JANUARY.

The Retreat will be preached by the Rev. Father Baker, S.J. By applying in time to the Rev. Mother Superior, ladies wishing to make the Retreat can find every accommodation at the Convent during the time above specified.

#### IN MEMORIAM

BOURKE.—In loving memory of Alice, beloved wife of James Bourke, Kilbirnie, who died December 2, 1912.

Eternal rest grant her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace. Amen.

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

Pergant Directores et Scriptores New Zealand Tablet,
Apostolica Benedictione confortati, Religionis et Justitia
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, NOVEMBER 27, 1913.

# THE REFERENDUM IN THE VICTORIAN PARLIAMENT



OME three weeks ago the cables brought the intimation that the Victorian Legislative Assembly, by 30 votes to 27, negatived the Bill providing for a referendum at the next election in favor of unsectarian Scripture lessons being given in the State schools.' Even in making this simple announcement the cable agent managed to blunder. The Bill was rejected not by a majority of 3 votes

was rejected not by a majority of 3 votes, as stated in the cable, but by a majority of 7, the numbers being—Ayes, 23; Noes, 30. Immediately after the last election the Rev. Joseph Nicholson announced in the press that a majority had been returned to Parliament pledged to the referendum; and up to the time of the actual introduction of the Bill into the Assembly the Bible Leaguers or Scripture Campaigners—to give them their Victorian name—had confidently anticipated a substantial majority; but as a matter of fact the referendum proposal was vetoed as emphatically and by practically as large a majority as on the occasion of its previous rejection. It would appear that the present decision is regarded as settling the question for some considerable time; and the Argus has warned the Scripture Campaign Council that the electors will stand no more of their heckling. 'There must,' it says, 'be an end somewhere. The electors are not in the frame of mind to tolerate the constant obtrusion of these side issues, and may be depended upon to resent every attempt to force them into pro-

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