



BY SPECIAL AUTHORITY

Under the Patronage of His Honor the Superintendent, the Mayor of Dunedin, and the People of Otago.

GRAND ART EXHIBITION.

HAY & CO.'S THIRD ANNUAL DISTRIBUTION OF WORKS OF ART.

MESSRS. W. E. HAY & CO. (late Howell and Hay), in holding this, their Third Annual Art Union in Dunedin, would respectfully request the support of all classes, if only from the fact that they claim for this distribution of works of art that there is actual *bona fide* value given in their prizes for the amount set against them.

The general satisfaction we have given in previous years in is some guarantee that we shall continue to deserve the support so freely accorded to us in these undertakings: but to all we say "Come and see for yourselves!"

The prizes consists of richly framed pictures, after the most eminent ancient and modern painters, comprising: Oleographs, chromolithographs, engravings, photographs, autotypes, tinted-lithographs, and prints in substantial ornamental, gilt, maple, rosewood, walnut, and other frames.

350 prizes of the value of £325, in 1,300 tickets at 5s each.

The drawing will be conducted on the strict art union principle by a committee of management chosen by, and from, the ticket-holders present at the time of drawing, of which due notice will be given. T take place on or about the end of December.

Prizes on view, and catalogues on application, next the Athlænum, Octagon, Dunedin from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Remember—Admission Free!!

Mr. S. H. SAUNDERS,
Agent.

SECOND

ANNUAL CATHOLIC PICNIC,

TO BE HELD AT

GREEN ISLAND,

ON

S T. S T E P H E N ' S D A Y

(BOXING DAY).

Foot Race, 150 yards; heats; open to members of Contingent only. Prize, suit of clothes, to order.

Foot Race, 150 yards, for boys under twenty years. Prize, football. Entry, 1s.

Foot Race, 100 yards, for boys under fourteen. Prize, football. Entry, 6d.

Boys' Three-legged Race, 50 yards. First prize, 7s 6d; second prize, 5s; third prize, 2s 6d. Entry, 6d.

Throwing Heavy Stone. First prize, 20s; second prize, 10s. Entry, 2s 6d.

Foot Race, 100 yards; open to members of the Hibernian Society only. First prize, side of bacon; second prize, 4 lbs. tobacco. Entry, 2s 6d.

Hop, Step, and Jump. First prize, 20s; second prize, 10s. Entry, 2s 6d.

Foot Race, 150 yards; open to all comers. First prize, 40s; second prize, 20s; third prize, 10s. Entry, 5s.

Foot Race, 250 yards; open to all comers. First prize, 50s; second prize, 20s; third prize, 10s. Entry, 5s.

Green Island Handicap, 440 yards. First prize, 60s; second prize, 30s; third prize, 10s. Entry, 5s.

Foot Race, 150 yards; heats. First prize, mut of sugar; second prize, round of beef. Entry, 2s 6d.

Foot Race, 250 yards; heats. First prize, box of tea; second prize, a cheese. Entry, 2s 6d.

Foot Race, 150 yards; heat. First prize, pair of boots; second prize, a ham. Entry, 1s 6d.

A special train will leave Dunedin for Green Island at 10.50., but holders of tickets can avail themselves of the ordinary trains running throughout the day, either to or returning from the ground.

Return Tickets (including admission to the sports)—Adults, 2s 6d; members of St. Joseph's School, (including Refreshment to the amount of one shilling) 6d.

TESTIMONIAL TO THE VICAR-GENERAL.

THE SUBSCRIPTION LISTS having closed on the 15th instant, it is respectfully requested that all lists, with amounts collected, will be at once forwarded, as advised by circular.

JOHN DUNGAN,
Hon. Sec.

TO OUR SUBSCRIBERS AND ADVERTISERS.

MR WHEELER, Stafford street and MR MACEDO, Princes street south, are empowered to receive monies and orders for papers on account of the NEW ZEALAND TABLET.

IT is respectfully requested that agents for the TABLET would advise the Secretary when any change—either of increase or decrease—occurs in the number to be forwarded. Those agents who may be receiving copies in excess of the demand, will kindly notify same.

New Zealand Tablet.

FIAT JUSTITIA.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 19, 1874.

OTAGO EDUCATION BOARD.

MR HISLOR, the Secretary of the Board, has lately had the misfortune to write a report, in reference to the appointment of teachers, which has failed to meet with the approbation of unsuccessful candidates and their friends. Our two morning contemporaries take part with these disappointed gentlemen, and are not complimentary to the good sense and right feeling of the Secretary. Mr HISLOR has, it appears, stood in the way of a nice little job. Two university students were anxious to make a convenience of our public schools as a resting-place and a stepping-stone—the one to the Presbyterian Ministry, the other to some other honorable profession. But the Secretary of the Education Board thought that gentlemen who became candidates for the situations of schoolmasters ought to possess some special qualifications for the office; and possibly he thought that it would be little less than scandalous to convert the public schools into a subordinate department of the Presbyterian Synod. Probably he did not see much difference between the appointment of a clergyman as schoolmaster and that of a candidate for the ministry who would reside in the house of his father, himself the officiating clergyman of the district; at all events, the comfortable arrangement contemplated by a promising Otago University student has not been carried out in consequence of Mr HISLOR's action, and hence our morning contemporaries have made rather depreciating remarks in reference to him. The true friends, however, of our educational system—which is in reality at once sectarian and godless—will thank the Secretary of the Board for having prevented an appointment which would have afforded its enemies another argument in support of their frequently repeated assertion—that our present system is practically denominational and Presbyterian.

LOYALTY AND GOOD TASTE.

SUCH of our readers as may be curious to investigate the most recent exquisite specimens of loyalty and good taste, had better provide themselves with the 'Otago Daily Times' of Tuesday last, the 15th instant, and carefully read its leader. For disrespectful tone and ribald language this leader surpasses anything that has appeared even its own columns for some time. And what is still more surprising is that there is no apparent provocation for this ill-timed and ill-mannered outburst. The writer of the article attacks the reputation of two New Zealand governors—the one that has just departed, and the one that has just arrived. For the short time that he was here Sir JAMES FERGUSON, instead of doing anything deserving of the animadversions of the 'Times,' gave ample proof of good sense, right feeling, and great ability. His moral qualities, extensive knowledge, and high position ought to have shielded him—at least in the columns of a respectable journal—from attacks to which even Billingsgate would hardly condescend. Then the incoming governor, the Marquis of NORMANBY, receives a slap in the face, and gets notice of what is in store for him in the polite and almost perfectly schooled Province of Otago.