

HOGG AND HUTTON'S ADVERTISEMENT.

PORT WINE, 1834 Vintage, 42 years old; per dozen, 110s.

PORT WINE, 1844 Vintage, 32 years old. A bargain. Per dozen, 75s.

BBROWN SHERRY, 10 years. Just received. Rare value Per dozen, 75s.

COLONIAL WINES, 30s. to 35s. per dozen.

LORNE WHISKEY (Genuine), 48s. per dozen.

HOGG AND HUTTON, Octagon.

TEMPERANCE HALL.

CLIFFORD'S

Celebrated

MIRROR OF THE WORLD.
The Greatest Pictorial Exhibition which has ever visited the Colonies.

THURSDAY EVENING, SEPTEMBER 28, 1876,
AND EVERY EVENING.

2000 MAGNIFICENT PICTURES!!

Comprising the most celebrated Views in the United Kingdom, including London as it is, France (before and after the War), Germany, Belgium, Switzerland, Italy, Russia, Spain, Holland, Turkey, Egypt, Nubia, &c., &c.

STUPENDOUS AMERICAN SCENERY,

AND
THE MOST EXQUISITE STATUARY

From the principal Galleries of Europe, exhibited by the strongest form of **LIME LIGHT**, with the aid of the latest improvements in Optics.

The following Artists will also appear:—

MRS. BARTLETT,

Miss ADA SCHOTT,

Mr W. IBBOTSON,

Mr. WM. FRASER.

PIANIST, ...

Mr. CHAS. SYKES.

MILLION PRICES—Chairs (Reserved), 3s.; Body of Hall, 2s.; Gallery, 1s. Tickets to be obtained and Seats reserved at BEGG'S Music Saloon, Princes-street. Doors open at 7.30, commence punctually at 8 o'clock. No seats reserved after curtain rises.

QUEEN'S THEATRE.

LESSEE ... A. T. DUNNING.

FAREWELL NIGHTS!!!

MDLLE. ILMA DE MURSKA

IN

GRAND OPERATIC SCENES EVERY EVENING

ALSO,

A GRAND CONCERT.

Assisted by

SIGNORS ROSNATI AND SUSINI,

MAESTRO STRAUSS ILLA, K.S., R.A.M.,

MR. J. F. HADLEY, ACCOMPANIST.

PRICES OF ADMISSION—Dress Circle, 6s. (Family Tickets to admit Four, One Guinea); Stalls, 4s.; Pit, 2s. Commence at 8.

W. SECIL MEDCALFE,

Business Manager.

THE following SUMS have been received as Subscriptions to the TABLET for the week ending September 28, 1876:—

	£	s.	d.
Mr P. O'Connor, Appleby ...	1	5	0
" S. Holt, Wakefield... ..	1	5	0
" J. O'Connor, Appleby ...	0	12	6
" J. Bolton, Appleby, to January 3rd, 1877 ...	1	5	0
" Connell, Richmond, to September 13th, 1876 ...	0	12	6
" P. Byrne, Takaka ...	1	5	0
" R. Stewart, Nelson, to July 17th, 1876 ...	1	5	0
" J. James, Nelson ...	1	5	0
" P. O'Brien, to June 2nd, 1877 ...	1	5	0
Miss Tomlinson, Waimea ...	0	12	6
Rev Father Garin, Nelson, to October 3rd, 1875 ...	1	5	0
Mr P. Barry, Forbury, to November 19th, 1876 ...	1	5	0
" W. Hayes, Tai Tapu, to February 22nd, 1877 ...	1	5	0
" J. O'Grady, Mosgiel, to April 3rd, 1876 ...	1	0	0
" R. J. Delany, Reefton, to September 6th, 1876 ...	0	12	6
Rev Father Mahony, Nelson, to June 2nd, 1877 ...	1	5	0

It is with deep regret that we announce the death of the Very Rev. Father J. Baptiste Petit-Jean, S.M., which occurred suddenly, of heart disease; on Thursday evening 21st inst., as he was about to proceed to St. Mary's Cathedral, Wellington, to take part in the performance of a function of the Church. Father Petit-Jean was one of the third company of Catholic missionaries who reached New Zealand, where he arrived on December 11th, 1839, together with the Rev. Fathers Viard, afterwards Bishop of Wellington, Comte and Chevron, and the Catechist, Brother Attalus. During the long course of his labors in this country he was ever zealous in the cause of the Gospel, to which he had devoted his life; and he has been called away full of years and merits, and followed by the love of many who were his spiritual children, and the admiration and esteem of all. —R.I.P.

New Zealand Tablet.

FIAT JUSTITIA.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 1876.

GREAT PUBLIC MEETING.

We can do little more to-day than publish the resolutions of the monster meeting held last night in the Princess Theatre, nor, indeed, is it necessary we should say much in reference to the object for which the meeting was held. Two thousand men were present, and, had there been room, probably as many more would have been present. The utmost unanimity prevailed, and strong resolutions approving of the conduct of Messrs. MACANDREW and STOUT, and calling on the Superintendent to summon the Provincial Council were passed almost without a dissentient voice. Mr. MACANDREW's statement that nothing but the erection of Otago into a separate Colony can save her from plunder, and secure her interests, was applauded to the echo. This is now the settled conviction of nine-tenths of the people of this Province, and there can be no doubt an effort will be made to carry the suggestion into effect. There are many who will regret this, ourselves amongst the rest; many who would prefer two Provinces—one for each Island, and a Federal Government—but as there appears to be no chance of effecting this, we are compelled to join the ranks of those who advocate the entire and complete separation of Otago.

The one and only object of Abolition is to get possession of the land fund, railway receipts, and Custom dues of Otago and Canterbury, for the purpose of meeting the deficiency of the smaller Provinces. Under Abolition, there is not the least doubt whatever that Otago will be annually bled to the amount of from £150,000 to £200,000, a shilling of which will never return in any shape to her inhabitants. And it is to effect this that the Central Government has really determined on the Abolition of Provincialism. This is a huge and barefaced injustice, and no one can be surprised at the wide-spread indignation, and determination of the people to resist such an injustice to the utmost.

We heartily wish the new agitation success, and hope no time will be lost in concerting measures to carry it to a successful issue. The members of the Provincial Council should meet at once and petition the Imperial Parliament for total separation and an independent government and legislature for Otago. There is not the slightest necessity for any violation of existing law. The Superintendent can send an unofficial and friendly invitation to the members of the Provincial Council to meet him on a certain day for friendly consultation on important matters. A petition, too, should be sent by the inhabitants generally, asking for separation from the rest of the Colony.

At the present moment the interests of Otago are not safe; her voice goes for nothing in Parliament; her representatives there have no more influence than if they never existed, and by remaining in the House of Representatives they are only losing their time, and compromising, against their will, the interests of their Province, by seeming, through their presence, to sanction what they oppose but cannot prevent. We publish elsewhere the resolutions, which speak for themselves.