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LEO XIII. to the N.Z. TABLET.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 1901.

THE H. A. C. B. S.



THE Annual General Meeting of the New Zealand District of the Hibernian Australasian Catholic Benefit Society opened in Dunedin on yesterday. We bid the Officers and Delegates a hearty welcome to our southern city. It would be difficult to overstate the benefits which such a Society is calculated to produce in any country, and especially in one of mixed religion, such as is New Zealand. We trust that the inaugural deliberations of the twentieth century now taking place in our midst may be the means of greatly strengthening the position and extending the influence of that admirable Society which so fully realises the three conditions of association laid down in the Encyclical Letter of Pope LEO XIII. on the Condition of Labor, since (1) it is grounded on religion; (2) its aim is mutual concord; and (3) its result is the well-being of the poor.

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