

Very complete preparations have been made for the garden fete and sale of work which is to open in the Sacred Heart School and grounds, North-east Valley, on Wednesday, April 23: and to be continued over the following evenings and Saturday afternoon. The proceeds are intended to augment the school funds, and the promoters, who have worked very hard to ensure good financial results, confidently anticipate liberal support being accorded their efforts by their friends in other portions of St. Joseph's Cathedral parish. Numerous attractions will be provided, much interest being centred in a tug-of-war contest for which a number of entries are expected.

The solemn office of Tenebrae was commenced in St. Joseph's Cathedral on Wednesday evening at seven o'clock, and the following will be the order of ceremonies during Holy Week:—Commencing at 7 a.m. on Holy Thursday there will be Solemn High Mass, followed by procession of the Blessed Sacrament. Mass of the Pre-Sanctified is to commence on Good Friday morning at nine o'clock, followed by Adoration of the

Cross. At three o'clock on Good Friday afternoon there will be the devotion of the Stations of the Cross. The offerings on Good Friday are to be in aid of the Maori Missions. The customary ceremonies of Holy Saturday will commence at 6.30 a.m. On Holy Thursday evening the Very Rev. P. O'Donnell (Gore) will preach on the subject of the Blessed Eucharist; on Good Friday morning Rev. C. Morkane (Holy Cross College) is to preach on the Passion; and on Good Friday evening the Rev. P. J. O'Neill (Riversdale), on the Seven Dolors. Confessions will be heard each evening of Holy Week, after devotions. On Easter Sunday Masses are to be celebrated in the Cathedral at 6.30, 7, and 9, and Solemn High Mass at 11 o'clock.

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Victory War Loan

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IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that Subscriptions in anticipation of the forthcoming War Loan are now being received at the Treasury or at any Bank or Postal Money-order Office in the Dominion. Such subscriptions will carry interest from the date of lodgment to Public Account.

Taxpayers are reminded that the **COMPULSORY** provisions of the Finance Act (No. 2), 1918, will be put into operation, and that persons who are required to subscribe under compulsion will receive 3 per cent. only by way of interest on their investments.

Persons who voluntarily subscribe in anticipation will receive credit for their subscriptions when the compulsory sections of the Act are put into operation.

Voluntary subscriptions will bear interest at the rate of $4\frac{1}{2}$ per cent., free of income-tax; date of maturity, 1938.

Post Office Inscribed Stock (which will bear interest at the rate of 5 per cent., subject to income-tax, with date of maturity 1927) and Post Office Certificates may be obtained from Money-order Offices on the usual terms.

ARTHUR M. MYERS,

Acting Minister of Finance.

AUCKLAND CATHOLIC TEACHERS' INSTITUTE.

The Auckland Catholic Teacher's Institute is to hold its third annual conference at Easter. There will be three morning sessions, papers to be given by his Lordship Bishop Cleary, on some religious topic, of benefit to the teachers: one on "Psychology and Child Life," by a Sister of the Missions; and the third morning session will be devoted to a paper on "Reading," by a Sister of Mercy. Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons will be taken up with short lessons on the various subjects of the syllabus, the infant teachers, Standards I. and II., Standards III., IV., and Standards V., VI., having separate meetings. The teachers of Auckland cordially invite their fellow-workers throughout the Dominion to the conference. As yet, only Christchurch has intimated that a representative will again be sent. The conference opens at the Convent of Mercy (St. Mary's, Ponsonby) on Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock. Further information can be obtained from the secretary, Marist Brothers, Vermont Street, Auckland.

TIMARU.

Cable advice has been received by the New Zealand University authorities that Mr. P. P. Lynch, A.N.Z.I.A., has gained his degree of B.Sc. He was a pupil of the Marist Brothers' School, Timaru (says a correspondent), where he passed his Civil Service examination and joined the architectural branch of the Public Works Department, where he obtained his diploma of Associate, at the same time carrying on his studies at the University. Mr. Lynch, who is at present a student at the Dunedin University, is a son of Mr. T. W. Lynch, of Timaru.

A day without any suffering at all is not found in Christ's calendar.—*Very Rev. Walter Elliott, C.S.P.*

The episcopal ring worn by the successive bishops of Marquette, Mich., was a present from the Emperor Francis Joseph of Austria to Bishop Baraga, who assisted at his Imperial Majesty's marriage in 1854. The ring is an amethyst of rare beauty, encircled by an oval crown of small diamonds. The stone is engraved with the name "Jesus."