

ST. PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL, AUCKLAND

BISHOP LENIHAN offers his good wishes to all friends at this holy season and for the new year, and asks their kind assistance towards the completion of St. Patrick's Cathedral.

Donations will be duly acknowledged.

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WORKERS' DWELLINGS OPEN FOR LEASE, WITH RIGHT TO ACQUIRE THE FREEHOLD.

FOURTEEN (14) HOMES AT WINDLE, BOROUGH OF MORNINGTON,

Open on

MONDAY, 21st JANUARY, 1907, AND FOLLOWING DAY, At the District Lands Office, Post Office Building, Dunedin.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that FOURTEEN HOUSES will be OPEN FOR APPLICATION at this Office from MONDAY, 21st January, 1907, at 10 o'clock a.m., to TUESDAY, 22nd January, 1907, at 4 o'clock p.m., under the provisions of "The Workers' Dwellings Act, 1905," and Regulations. The Houses are situated at Windle, Borough of Mornington, and are within convenient distance of both Mornington and Roslyn trams. Each house contains five rooms, with up-to-date conveniences.

Applicants must appear personally at the meeting of the Land Board on THURSDAY, 24th January, 1907, at 7.30 o'clock p.m., to answer any questions that may be put.

THE BALLOT will be held at this Office on FRIDAY, 25th January, 1907, at 7.30 o'clock p.m.

Sale Plans and copies of the Regulations may be obtained at this Office, where designs of the houses may be seen.

D. BARRON,
Commissioner of Crown Lands

District Lands Office,
Dunedin, 20th December, 1906.

HIS MAJESTY'S THEATRE.

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Commencing MONDAY, JANUARY 14th,

And

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 16th & THURSDAY, JAN. 17th.

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DEATH

CUSACK.—At Invercargill, on December 24, 1906, Annie, dearly beloved wife of James Cusack, school teacher, Awarua Plains, Southland; aged 50 years.—R.I.P.

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

Pergant Directores et Scriptores New Zealand Tablet, Apostolica Benedictione confortati, Religionis et Justitie 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, JANUARY 3, 1907.

'UNION' FINANCE



ARTHUR Phelps will have it that the most fatal form of bigotry is that which is produced by reading only one side of a question. But there are two deeper depths to which unreasoned bias may reach. There is the prejudice which deliberately closes eyes and ears against disconcerting and inconvenient facts—bangs and bolts the door of the intellect against them as unwelcome visitors, as British scientists of the eighteenth century lowered portcullis and raised drawbridge for a long time against the results of French research. The other, and perhaps still more abysmal, form of prejudice is that which coerces too resistant facts—licking and shaping and altering them to suit preconceived views and theories. This is a reversal of the sound principle that theories must be made to suit the facts, not facts to suit the theories; and that when a fact comes into collision with a theory, it is as if a 'coo' came into collision with Stephenson's locomotive—sae much the waur for the theory. Scientists are aware that two light-waves may so 'interfere' as to produce complete darkness. And in an analogous way, a discussion, even when well-informed and luminous on both sides—often fails to leave the issue clear. Take, for instance, the case for and against bimetallicism. But mere ignorance settles no dispute. And even the tight-shut eyes and the deprecativ Pooh-pooh of the rare New Zealand daily that is opposed to self-government in another part of the Empire, in no way affect the facts advanced by Mr. Devlin to sustain the charge of over-taxation of Ireland. The matter has long passed the stage of discussion. It was proved to overwhelming demonstration by the Reports (and especially the Final Report) of the Royal Commission on the Financial Relations between Great Britain and Ireland.

The provisions of the Act of Union required that Ireland should pay (1) the annual charge upon her debt contracted before the legislative Union, and (2) two-seventeenths of the joint expenditure of the United Kingdom. Unfortunately, when Pitt, Castlereagh, and their confederates determined the financial terms of the Act of Union, they did so, not on the basis of the normal years 1790-1794, but on the basis of the abnormal period, 1799-1800. 'They assumed,' says Lough, 'that Ireland could continue to pay the amount she had then paid. This was the fatal error against which both countries have been struggling ever since.' The last farthing of the amounts mentioned above was charged year by year. But the taxes could not pro-

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