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MARRIAGES

KEAN-O'HALLORAN.—On August 5, at the Catholic Church, Invercargill, by the Very Rev. Dean Burke, John Kean, third son of James Kean, South Hillend, to Bridget O'Halloran, fourth daughter of P. O'Halloran, Wrey's Bush.

DOOHAN-HAMPSON.—At the Catholic Church, Featherston, on Wednesday, July 15, by Rev. Father Bowe, James Doohan, of Tawaha, Featherston, to Teresa, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. Hampson, of Reefton.

DEATHS

O'ROURKE.—At his parents' residence, Station St., Napier, Patrick, second son of Bartholomew and Bridget O'Rourke, after a short illness; aged 33 years.—R.I.P.

STARKEY.—At her residence, Spey St., Invercargill, on Saturday, August 15, 1908, Mary Jane Starkey, relict of the late George M. Starkey; aged 63 years.—R.I.P.

IN MEMORIAM

CUNNEEN.—Of your charity pray for the soul of John Richard Cunneen, dearly beloved husband of Mary Cunneen, who died at Frankton on September 1, 1907. On whose soul sweet Jesus have mercy. Anniversary on September 1.

THE

Great Dominion Carnival and Art Union

PORT CHALMERS

September 4 to September 12, 1908

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DRAWING of Art Union absolutely fixed for September 12th. Blocks and remittances to be returned to Rev. Father Hearn at the earliest date possible.

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

Pergant Directores et Scriptores New Zealand Tablet, Apostolica Benedictione confortati, Religionis et Justitiae 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, AUGUST 20, 1908.

THE FAITH IN NEW ENGLAND



HE American fleet has come and gone. Its visit has left nothing but pleasant memories; it has created a minor era from which many events in local and personal history will for many a year be dated; and it has broadened our political horizon with what is for many the sudden realisation of the mighty energy; making for the peace and protection of the Pacific seas, that lies alert and ready for action in the men and the ships and the guns that last week entered the waters of the Hauraki Gulf. Both officers and men bore themselves with the dignity that becomes the defenders of a great nation—even 'Jack ashore' (as our columns elsewhere show) won encomiums for his general good conduct. And altogether the visit of the American fleet has been a happy incident in our history. Catholics especially will feel a pride in the fact that the old proportionate predominance of our co-