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DEATHS

QUINN.—On January 27, at Prince of Wales Hotel, Wellington, Patrick, third son of Mrs. A. Quinn; aged 34 years. R.I.P.

LISTON.—On February 2, at Dunedin, John P. Liston; in his thirty-second year. R.I.P.

EDITOR'S NOTICES.

Send news WHILE IT IS FRESH. State reports will not be inserted.

Communications should reach this Office BY TUESDAY MORNING. Only the briefest paragraphs have a chance of insertion if received by Tuesday night's mails.

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Write legibly, ESPECIALLY NAMES of persons and places.

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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, FEBRUARY 4, 1909.

CATHOLIC EDUCATIONAL SACRIFICES

IN the course of his sermon at the opening of the Father Lewis memorial school at Blenheim on last Sunday, the Archbishop of Wellington laid his finger upon what is, perhaps, the most impressive external fact in the religious life of this Dominion. He pointed out that not alone do Catholics pay their fair quota of the heavy cost of a secular system of public instruction which they cannot in conscience accept; but (added his Grace), although only one-seventh of the population, we have created and maintained a system of religious education, that the absence of this system would represent a State payment of about £40,000 per annum, and that, during the past twenty-five years, we have saved the pockets of the taxpayers of New Zealand to the tune of about one million sterling. In other words, New Zealand is, in a very real sense, practically exploiting the Catholic conscience, to the great profit of the general taxpayer. It is one of the glories of the Catholic Church that she has never lowered her code of personal and domestic virtue; neither has she half-masted her ideal that religion is an intimate and essential part of education properly so-called.

'We needs must love the highest when we see it,
Not Launcelot, nor another'—

God, 'the highest' permeating education, and 'not Launcelot or another,' not the dried husks of religion, nor yet the secular idea which drives out the Creator from His own and turns the school into a sort of agnostic academy. Whatever others may do or omit doing for Christ's little ones, we have our mission in this regard, and it behoves us to set our hands thereto and never slack or faint by the way. Antonio Stradivari's violins are worth to-day many times their weight in gold; for the famous maker put heart and brain and hand into his work—he is well represented as saying in the poem:—

'If my hand slackened,
I should rob God—since He is fullest good—
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