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BIRTHS.

GAWNE.—On 2nd April, at her residence, Douglas Hotel, Dun-edin, Mrs A. P. Gawne of a son.

RODGERS.—On the 3rd inst., at her residence, corner of Arthur street and York place, Dunedin, Mrs C. Rodgers of a son.

DEATH.

M'BRIDE.—On the 7th April, at Antrim Farm, Frankton, Francis F. M'Bride, second son of Francis M'Bride; aged 29 years. Deeply regretted.—R.I.P.



'To promote the cause of Religion and Justice by the ways of Truth and Peace.

LEO XIII. to the N.Z. TABLET.

THURSDAY, APRIL 17, 1902.

BIBLE-IN-SCHOOLS CAMPAIGN.



FRESH Bible-in-Schools Campaign, under the auspices of the Presbyterian General Assembly of New Zealand, has just been in-augurated, and elaborate preparations are being made for a vigorous and united Protestant effort in support of the movement. The programme and plan of campaign were unfolded by the Rev. Mr. GIBB, Moderator of

the Assembly, at a meeting of the Presbyterian Synod of Otago and Southland held in Dunedin the other day. The assembly had, it was explained, appointed a committee, with Mr. GIBB as convener, to confer with the leaders of other Churches, and to endeavor to come to an understanding and formulate a platform. Mr. GIBB and the Dunedin members of the Assembly's Committee had accordingly conferred with the leaders of other Churches and in particular with certain delegates from the Wesleyan Conference, and the result of this conference was, to quote Mr. Gibb's own words, 'the adoption of a resolution to abandon the plat-form for which they had been contending—namely, simple Bible-reading, with the repetition of the Lord's Prayer, and to go in for reading, with explanations by the teachers, such explanations to be wholly contained in a book to be supplied by the combined Churches.' It will thus be seen that this latest platform is a compromise between the original demand for Bible-reading only, with the repetition of the Lord's Prayer, on the one hand, and the New South Wales system with its text-book to be explained by the teachers and definite denominational instruction once a week by the ministers, on the other. It is intended to be an advance on the demand for mere Bible-reading which was manifestly a hopelessly inadequate proposal, and at the same time to obviate the objections commonly urged against the danger of allowing the work of explaining Bible lessons to be left in the hands of the teachers by having not only the lessons but the explanations also, officially supplied by the Churches themselves.

Mr. GIBB had also a good deal to say as to the attitude of the other religious bodies towards this platform, and according to his showing it would almost appear as if our Protestant friends were really likely at last to secure what they have never been able to secure before-namely, some sort of practical unity on this question. First of all, Mr. GIBB intimated, after the platform had been formulated, the Wesleyan Conference had unanimously adopted it. Then he had had some correspondence with the Bishop of Wellington, from which it appeared that this is the platform the Bishop has been for some time advocating, and on behalf of which he had formed an influential association, representing nearly all the churches in Wellington. Mr. GIBB had further had an interview with Mr. NEILD, warden