

The Stoke Orphanage.

We beg to acknowledge the following sums entrusted to us for the Stoke Orphanage:—

	£	s.	d.
Previously acknowledged ...	86	13	6
St. Vincent de Paul Society, Dunedin ...	2	2	0
Mrs. Jas. McHarry, Heriot (per Mr. T. J. Collins) ...	1	0	0

We shall be glad to receive, acknowledge, and forward further subscriptions entrusted to us for this great and sorely-tried charity,

EDITOR, 'N.Z. TABLET',
DUNEDIN.

DIOCESE OF AUCKLAND.

The Rev. Geo. Mahony gratefully acknowledges the receipt of £59 7s. 8d. from the Diocese of Auckland, being 50 per cent. of the amount collected for the Auckland Diocesan Orphanage Fund, in accordance with the generous offer made by his Lordship Bishop Lenihan immediately after the disastrous fire at Stoke:—

Rev. Father Patterson (Cathedral, Auckland) £17 17s. 4d.; Rev. Father Gillan (St. Benedict's, Auckland) £15 4s.; Rev. Father Benedict, O.P. (Ponsonby, Auckland) £9 5s.; Rev. Father Kehoe (Parnell, Auckland) £7 16s.; Rt. Rev. Monsignor Paul (Onehunga) £3 1s. 6d.; Rev. Father O'Hara (Otahuhu) £3 7s. 6d.; Rev. F. King (Pukekohe) £1 14s.; Rev. Father Darby (Hamilton) £3; Rev. Father O'Carroll (Kihikihi) £2 2s. 6d.; Rev. Father Kehoe (Te Aroha) £2; Very Rev. Dean Hackett (Paeroa) £17; Very Rev. Father Brodie (Waihi) £2 19s. 6d.; Right Rev. Mgr. O'Reilly (Thames) £10 2s.; Rev. Father Egan (Coromandel) £1 11s.; Rev. Father Broomfield (Tauranga) £2; Rev. Father O'Connor (Opotiki) £3 4s. 6d.; Rev. Father Mulvihill (Gisborne) £5 1s.; Rev. Father Corcoran (Puhoi) £3 2s. 6d.; Rev. Father Smiers (Whangarei) 12s. 6d.; Rev. Father Westside (Kaihu N. Waiwa) £1 10; Rev. Father O'Gallagher (Ngaruawahia)—private £4 19s. 6d.; Rev. Father Kreymsborg (Rotorua) £1 5s. Total, £118 15s. 4d. 50 per cent. to Stoke Orphanage, £59 7s. 8d.

MARRIAGE.

BARRY—BYRNE.—At St. Joseph's Cathedral, Dunedin, on 4th August, 1903, Patrick James John Barry, eldest son of Thomas Barry, of Greymouth, to Margaret Augusta Byrne, eldest daughter of Patrick Byrne of Kumara.

DEATHS.

EAGAR.—On June 29th, 1903, at Murselburgh, Elizabeth Eagar, the dearly beloved mother of John, James, Edward, Anne and Lizzie Eagar, in her 70th year.—*R.I.P.*

DENNEHY.—Of your charity pray for the soul of Daniel Dennehy, native of Meenskehy, Millstreet, County Cork, who departed this life at Charleston, West Coast, on Sunday, 2nd August, aged 73, fortified by the rites of Holy Church.—*R.I.P.*

FLANNERY.—On June 18, 1903, at the residence of his parents, Ida Valley, Daniel, the beloved son of Thomas and Ann Flannery, aged 5 years and 6 months.—*R.I.P.*



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

LEO XIII. to the N.Z. TABLET.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 13, 1903.

POPE PIUS X.



PIUS X. makes the two hundred and fifty-seventh unit in the long line of Roman Pontiffs that stretches back in unbroken perspective to the Fisherman-Apostle of Galilee. Of that historic line, the present occupant of the papal See makes the fourth that has been associated with the ancient city of Venice, the Queen of the Adriatic.

Two of these—Benedict XI. (1303) and Innocent IX. (1591-1592)—sat in St. Peter's Chair for the brief space of only eight and two months respectively.

The third, Gregory XVI., had been a Camaldolese monk in the Queen City, and his great and beneficent reign extended over fifteen years (1831-1846). It was a period of revolutionary storm and trouble. He met its reasonable demands by economical reforms in every branch of the administration of the Papal States; its violence by conciliation, and, where this failed, by military force. And throughout his laborious pontificate, the saintly Pontiff lived the life of a simple monk, rigidly observing the austere rule of his Order, fasting much, sleeping little, making the floor his couch, never idle, and always intent on prayer. Recent cable messages indicate that Pius X. will, to a great extent at least, imitate the simplicity of life which distinguished the papal career of his illustrious Venetian predecessor.

Greatness (as Disraeli says in his 'Coningsby') no longer depends on rentals, for the world is too rich, nor on pedigrees, for the world is too knowing. The present successor of St. Peter has in him elements that make for true greatness and are not associated with money-bags or blue blood. He was, till the close of the recent Conclave, Patriarch of the venerable See of Venice. He is a man of the people—a former village-boy of the Veneto. He rose to supreme ecclesiastical eminence from the position of curate and village pastor through his commanding talent, his ripe scholarship, his oratorical gifts, his efficient administrative service, and the power of hierarchical ruling which he displayed in the great See over which he presided so ably for the past ten years. He is filled with the abounding charity which made him—as it had previously made his predecessor, in the evil days of the cholera scourge—the idol of the poor of Venice. They lose a loving father and friend. But the world is the richer by the gift that is their loss. There is in him a union of the qualities which seem to justify Cardinal Moran's eulogium of him as the happiest possible choice.

Pius X. was 'content to know and be unknown.' He sought, with earnest and reiterated entreaties, to escape the burden of the high and responsible office of Roman Pontiff. And now, with the burden almost forced upon his unwilling shoulders, he stands in a position where his talents will have full scope. Apart from the character and attainments of the man who fills it, that exalted office has about it a sufficient grandeur. It is thus described by a non-Catholic writer: 'To be the infallible spiritual guide of a multitude of people—perhaps a sixth of the population of the world; to derive from the Chief of the Apostles, through two hundred and fifty-five intermediaries, a primacy of honor and authority among Christian folk; to be seated in this ineffable honor in the city of Rome, imperial and eternal; to operate a governing machinery of patriarchs, metropolitans, archbishops, bishops, priests, and innumerable Orders of monks, friars, and nuns—a machinery which in delicacy and efficiency is the wonder of the world; to have interests and duties in connection with every nation in both hemispheres; to watch all things political and ecclesiastical, on behalf of an organisation which has its tendrils in every cranny and crevice of the social structure of all Europe and America, and many parts of Asia and Africa—what position has earth to show which can compare with this for eminence of standpoint, breadth of view, and reach of power?' We pray that Pope Pius X. may occupy this position long, that if his responsibilities are great, his honors of achievement may be equally great, and that he may impress himself as deeply upon his generation as the good old Pope into whose place Providence has raised him.

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