

MARRIAGE

FACER—STANTON.—At St. Mary's Basilica, Invercargill, on February 2, 1915, by Very Rev. Dean Burke, assisted by Rev. Father Tobin, Norman D., only son of the late John Facer, Nottingham, England, to Mary, youngest daughter of Mr. T. Stanton, Richmond grove, Invercargill.

DEATHS

FINNERTY.—On April 11, 1915, at 376 Cashel street, Linwood, Christchurch, Amy, dearly beloved wife of John Finnerty; aged 55 years.—R.I.P.

RYAN.—Of your charity pray for the repose of the soul of Mary, relict of John Ryan, who died on March 29, 1915, at her residence, 37 Bay View road, St. Kilda; aged 66 years; native of Dromkeen, Co. Limerick, Ireland.—R.I.P.

IN MEMORIAM

BRADLEY.—In loving memory of Jeremiah (Jerry), dearly beloved son of John and Kate Bradley, Otaki, who died on Good Friday, April 14, 1911, at Clyde, Central Otago.—R.I.P.

Oh, Immaculate Heart of Mary,
Your prayers on him extol;
Oh, Sacred Heart of Jesus,
Have mercy on his soul

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CRUSADE OF RESCUE

We have received a donation of 5s from Mr. James Garr, Pukehiki, for Father Bann's Crusade of Rescue, London.

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, APRIL 15, 1915.

OUR IRISH HEROES

I have done full justice elsewhere to the splendid valor of the three Irish soldiers who have recently been awarded a particularly well-merited V.C. The magnificent achievement of Michael O'Leary stands out as especially memorable, and the story of how he captured the enemy's position single-handed, and himself accounted for eight killed and two prisoners, will be read with a thrill of pride by every member of 'the fighting race' throughout the Empire. Here is the narrative as it was given, simply and vividly, in the cables of the time: 'O'Leary, a crack shot, and formerly of the Mounted Police of Canada, led the assault of the Irish Guards in the brickfield engagement at La Bassee, 150 yards away. He easily outstripped his companions, and, when nearing the German trench, he dropped to the ground and picked off the whole five of the crew of a machine gun before they could slew the gun. Then he reached the second barricade and shot three more. His comrades completed the rout, and the brickfield was captured in half an hour. Had the Germans been able to use the machine gun the whole company might have been wiped out. O'Leary brought in three prisoners.' It was without doubt one of the finest things of the whole war, and fully merited the chorus of encomiums which the English papers have so liberally and justly lavished upon it. It is worthy of note that the three new V.C.'s are all typical Irishmen, and bear good, honest Irish names, albeit one of them figures as a member of the Gordon Highlanders. Their heroic deeds form only a part of a sustained and splendid record of endurance and gallantry established by the Irish regiments throughout the war, in the light of which any attempt to side-track or withhold Home Rule when hostilities are over becomes impossible and unthinkable.

- THE WAR AGAINST BRITISH COMMERCE

The submarine attacks on British merchantmen continue, with very inadequate results so far as material loss and injury are concerned but with some recent accompaniments of a very painful and deplorable character. According to Admiralty statements, the losses average three or four ships a week out of about 1500 sailings and arrivals. So long as the safety of human life is provided for, Britain can afford to bear such loss with the utmost equanimity. It cannot be denied that according to the laws of war the commander

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