

MARRIAGE

BRAZIL—HAMPSON.—On April 29, 1913, at the Sacred Heart Church, Reefton, by Rev. Father Galerne, Garret, second son of Mr. J. Brazil, Cronadon, to Mary Ann, fourth daughter of Mrs. T. Hampson, Grey Road.

DEATH

JACKSON.—On May 15, 1913, Elizabeth, beloved wife of Alexander Jackson, of Christchurch (fortified by all the rites of Holy Church); aged 68 years.—R.I.P.

IN MEMORIAM

GALLAGHER.—Of your charity pray for the soul of Joseph Frances Gallagher, who died on June 13, 1912.

On whose soul, sweet Jesus, have mercy.

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WELLINGTON—June 16 to 22.

GISBORNE—June 28 to July 4.

DANNEVIRKE—June 10

HEAR DOONE SING

'The Wearing of the Green,' 'A Toast to Erin,' 'Molly's Eyes are Irish,' 'Colleen Bawn,' 'Love's Language,' 'Ireland, my Ireland,' and many others.

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, JUNE 12, 1913.

ST. MARY'S ORPHANAGE: AN APPEAL



LAST week we gave a full and vivid description, from our Auckland correspondent, of the serious misfortune which has fallen upon St. Mary's Orphanage for girls at Takapuna. At 5 o'clock in the morning fire was discovered in the children's playroom; and in a very short time one of the most complete, best appointed, and most up-to-date buildings of its kind in the Dominion was levelled with the ground. An outstanding feature of the sad occurrence—and one which Catholics everywhere will read of with a feeling of pride—was the quiet heroism of the Sisters. Women are generally credited—in the mind of the average male person, at least—with being hysterical, emotional, and excitable, and quite unable to control themselves in an emergency. The good Sisters of St. Mary's gave the lie to all that. Quietly, calmly, without bustle or disorder or the faintest approach to panic, the scores of little ones were marshalled, and safely taken out of the burning building, not a solitary child being injured in any way. Thanks be to God, and the good Sisters, that this great misfortune was saved, at least, from becoming a dreadful tragedy.

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But though we cannot be sufficiently thankful that there was no loss of life, the fact has still to be faced that the destruction of this splendid building is a heavy blow. Apart from the unsettlement and inconvenience to the Sisters, the direct monetary loss amounts to at the very least £3000. The fact that at the time of the disaster the building sheltered no less than one hundred otherwise homeless little ones tells its own tale as to the noble work which was being done within its walls. Further particulars cited by Bishop Cleary

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