

BIRTH

GALLAGHER.—On June 29, 1913, at Opoho, to the wife of Harold Gallagher—a son.

MARRIAGE

HEALY—RYAN.—On June 25, 1913, at St. Joseph's Church, Queenstown, by the Rev. Father O'Donnell, Edward Patrick Healy, youngest son of Mrs. John Healy, Malaghans, to Ellen Verdon, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Ryan, Arthurs Point.

DEATH

CASSELLS.—On June 23, 1913, at Ashburton, Bryant Cassels (Barney), youngest son of the late John Cassels, 14 Bay View road, South Dunedin.—R.I.P.

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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, JULY 3, 1913.

PROTESTANTISM AND CATHOLICISM

FEW weeks ago our Presbyterian contemporary, the *Outlook*, published in its editorial columns a striking article making a comparison, or rather drawing a contrast, between present-day Protestantism and the vigor, coherence, and vitality of Catholicism. We reproduced the greater portion of the article in our columns; and its candor, truth, and thoughtfulness elicited

widespread comment amongst our readers. The point of the article was that Catholicism was everywhere growing in strength and influence and that Protestantism was everywhere declining; and the reasons assigned for this phenomenon were the definiteness and certitude of Catholicism, and the element of doubt and uncertainty generally prevailing in Protestant circles. 'It cannot be too strongly insisted upon,' said the *Outlook*, 'that the Roman Catholicism of the present day is essentially Consistent, Coherent, and Convinced of the truth of the doctrines she enforces. Opposed to this in Protestant and Presbyterian pulpits and literature is an element of Chaos, Doubt, and Agnosticism. The Roman Catholic authorities say, "I know"; the average Protestant doubtfully essays, "I am not sure." Hence the note of authority formerly so prominent in Protestant preaching and teaching has largely been lost.'

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