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The Editor desires to acknowledge the receipt of a circular from the Premier containing his suggestions for checking the decline of the birthrate, and also one from the Catholic Bishops on the Bible in Schools questions. As these have both been published in the principal papers of the colony, while thanking the senders for their attention, he coes not think his readers would thank him for taking up the pages of this Magazine with matter which they have already seen in other publications.

A TOUR THROUGH AMERICA.

We have much pleasure in announcing that we have made arrangements with a gentleman who has recently left New Zealand for a tour through America, which will include a visit to the St. Louis Exhibition, for a series of articles giving his impressions of the country through which he travels. The series will commence as soon as the first copy comes to hand.

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We desire to tender our thanks to the many correspondents in various parts of the world who continually write us expressing their keen appreciation of the NEW ZEALAND ILLUSTRATED MAGAZINE, and their wonder that such an excellent periodical can be produced in the colony.

Articles on the following subjects will appear shortly :---

MUSA, THE DESPOT (CONFESSIONS OF A LITERARY MAN).—By Jessie Mackay
LEAVES FROM MY BRIGHTON NOTE BOOK.—By W. TOWNSON.
TWO NEW ZEALANDERS ABROAD.—By DOTA Wifcox.
A TRIP TO TAUPO.--By C. L. Harris.
ESPERANTO, LA LINGVO INTERNACIA.—By Robert Colquboun.
JOHN FARRELL, POET, JOURNALIST, AND REFORMER.—By Bertram Stevens.
THE MYSTERY OF THE KOROTANGL.—By Ringitibi.

.Storiettes by the following Authors :--

DOBSON AND TANTIA BHEEL.—By T. S. GUIT. TWO MARBLES.—By F. L. Combs. THE WORKING OVERSEER.—By G. B. LAUCASTER. A YANKEE IN MAORILAND.—By Quill.