WANTED, an Assistant Teacher for the Boys' Catholic School, Christchurch. Application to be made to the Rev. Father Ginaty, S.M.

WANTED—Qualified Catholic Teacher, for St. Mary's Boys' School, Hokitika. Salary—£200 per annum.

Apply, with testimonial, to REV. FATHER MARTIN.

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HYE, EAR, AND THROAT SPECIALIST.

DR. SCHWARZBACH
has arrived in Dunedin, and may be consulted at MURRAY'S
FAMILY HOTEL, RATTRAY-STREET,
till about the middle of February, previous to his departure for
Europe.

Hours from 10 to 1.

THE Proprietors of the New Volunteer Hall, Dowling Street, invite OFFERS from Religious or other Bodies for the use of the Hall on Sundays for a period of one to five years. The hall will shortly be ready for occupation, and will hold (seated) over 1500 people.

Apply

time for doing so expires in March next.

COMMISSIONERS, Box 199, Post Office.

OATHOLICS interested in Election Matters, should lose no time in having their names placed on the Electoral Roll, as the

Forms for filling up can be had on application to the Returning Officer.

CATHOLIC CATHEDRAL, DUNEDIN,

TENDERS are requested for Contract No. 1, Masonry only, until FEBRUARY 28TH.

Full particulars with

FRANK W. PETRE,

Engineer and Architect, Liverpool-street.

## A DDITIONAL SUBSCRIPTIONS for the Christian Brothers' Establishment at Oamaru:—

PER MISS FINNIGAN, WESTPORT, £5.

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Mr. Edwards, Chemist	3	0	0	Mr. P. Malone	1 0	0
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" James Rooney	3	0	0	" J. Moriarty	1 0	ŏ
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This portion of last year's contribution is hereby gratefully acknowledged.

WM. COLEMAN.

#### SUBSCRIPTIONS TO TABLET FOR WEEK ENDING FEBRUARY 13th, 1879.

Messrs. J. McDonald, Arrow, 50s; — Hailes, Tekaka, 12s 6d; W. Morisey, Charleston, 25s; C. O'Donnell, Clyde, 12s 6d; D. Healy, Refton, 12s 6d; O. Lynch, 25s; Dr. Gilesspie, 12s 6d; — M. Gannon, Dillmanstown, 30s; J. Moran, 6s 6d; M. Maloney, Kumara, 12s 6d; J. McDonald, Dillmanstown, 12s 6d; D. Murphy, Westbrook, 25s; J. Murphy, Kumara, 12s 6d; E. Clarke, Kumara, 31s 6d; D. Flavey, 20s; T. Mullhall, 25s; M. O'Grady, Greenstone, 19s; C. Briody, Kumara, 25s; Mrs. Cox, 20s; Mrs. Cooney, 25s; J. Dennis, 25s; J. Dalton, 31s 6d; J. Feeney 12s 6d; E. Fitz-Henry, 20s; S. Garguilo, 19s; T. Hansberry, 12s 6d; J. Hinnegan, Maori Gully, 15s; M. Healey, Kumara, 12s 6d; M. Malaghan, Queenstown, 25s; James Dunne, Greymouth, 25s; M. Darmody, No Town, 12s 6d; J. Diamond, Marsden, 12s 6d; J. Kelly, Maori Gully, 12s 6d; J. Kavangh, 12s 6d; M. Madden, 12s 6d; P. McDonnell, 12s 6d; J. McDevitt, Greymouth, 25s; M. D. Morice, 25s; M. D. Morice, 25s; M. Brag, Nelson Creek, 12s 6d; J. Maloney, Greymouth, 12s 6d; P. McClartby, No Town, 25s; — Cremeri, 12s 6d; P. Molloy, 12s 6d.

#### DEATH.

On the 10th instant, at Russell-street, Dunedin, Mary Philomena, aged 7 years, second daughter of W. J. Hall.

#### CATHEDRAL FUND.

I ACKNOWLEDGE the receipt of the following amounts (mostly second instalments) towards the Cathedral Fund, continued.

P. MORAN.

# The New Zealand Tablet.

### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 1879.

#### THE NELSON ELECTION.

ERTAIN journalists and politicians are jubilant over the result of the late Nelson election, and endeavour therefrom to point a moral and adorn a tale. They would make the world believe that this election has struck a blow from which denominationalism will find it difficult to recover, and that it has proved the folly of the Catholic block vote.

But, unfortunately for their cause and their argument, their premises are all at fault. We have seen a journal which distinctly stated that this election turned on the question of denominational education. This, however, is not the case.

There were two candidates, and only two, and these declared themselves the opponents of denominational education, and the advocates of free, secular and compulsory education. As to denominational education, therefore, there was no question, no dispute, and consequently no contest. Both candidates were its declared enemies, and as one of them, Mr. Pitt, said, there was really no difference between himself and his opponent so far as this question was concerned.

There is no ground, therefore, for this jubilation and congratulation of the politicians and journals referred to; and it is clear that there is some object to serve by this misrepresentation. Nor is it difficult to hit upon the reason. There is nothing the secularists dread more than the block vote used in the way we have so often recommended; and consequently these avail themselves of every opportunity, legitimate and otherwise, to endeavour to discredit it, and if possible persuade Catholic electors, that to have recourse to it cannot but be injurious to the cause they have most at heart. It is time lost, however; Catholics are no longer to be hoodwinked and cajoled by trading politicians; Catholics now know the policy they ought to pursue and are resolved to become no more the victims of their deadly enemies, of men who are determined to insult and injure them.

But if the result of this Nelson contest does not teach the lesson suggested by certain journals and politicians, it teaches another and a very important one. Although there was no difference between the principles of the two candidates, in reference to secular and denominational education, there was a wide difference, we believe, between them as to the justice and wisdom of Mr. Curtis' Bill of last session. We are under the impression, though we are not quite sure, that Mr. Pitt would support this Bill, whilst his opponent, the successful candidate, would oppose it. Now Mr. Curtis' Bill is not what we Catholics want, and we are not very much concerned about it. Still it is a step in the direction of justice and fair play, and we are consequently much obliged to Mr. Curtis and his supporters for their good intentions, and their efforts to have it enacted into law.

But what are we to think of the men who resolutely refuse to concede even the little that this Bill offers? Amongst Catholics there is only one opinion concerning them and it may be expressed in a very few words, viz:—These men, judged by their political conduct, are tyrants and plunderers. Tyrants because they set up a system of education which invades the duties and rights of parents which belong to them by the law of nature, and insist on separating education from religion to the ruin of individuals and society; and plunderers because they abstract money against their will from Catholics for the purpose of rivetting their chains and inflicting on them the most serious injury.

Well then, the lesson taught by the Nelson election is this,—the lovers of justice and fair play among the electors