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on

BOXING DAY, FRIDAY, DEC. 26th, 1879.

Sports to commence at Twelve o'clock sharp.

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Hibernian Handicap (second distance)	)			
440 yards	•	£1		
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	. 5s 0d	£6	£2	£1
Handicap Foot Race, 350 yds. (To be	е			• • •
	. 2s 6d	£3	£2	£1
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#### MARRIAGE.

KAVANAGH: McGrail.—At St. Mary's Church, Nelson, on the 30th ultimo, by Rev. A. M. Garin, Arthur M'Murrough Kavanagh, Head Master St. Mary's School, Nelson, fourth son of Professor Kavanagh, C.U., late Head Inspector of National Schools in Ireland, to Maggie, daughter of Mr. P. McGrail, Glasgow.

# The New Zealand Tablet.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 19, 1879.

#### BISHOP MORAN'S SPEECH.

T the distribution of prizes to the pupils of the Christian Brothers' Schools, on Friday, the 12th instant, Bishop Moran, after having distributed the prizes and addressed the boys, availed himself of the opportunity, according to his custom, to speak to the parents present, whom he said he was glad to see around him in such numbers, and through them to the Catholic body, in re-

ference to the subject of education generally, and particularly on the financial aspect of the question as revealed by fiscal legislation. He had seen in the newspapers that morning that Parliament had voted £175,000 for school buildings, and it appeared from "Hansard" that on the 25th of last month £243,000 for the maintenance of schools; so that over £400,000 had been set apart by Government for expenditure on primary education this year. If to this enormous sum be added the contributions by the State in aid of Secondary and University education, it would be seen that very little less than half a million sterling had been voted for providing education for about 56,000 children. In one point of view such a proceeding was highly creditable, and argued much for the zeal But, at the same time, all shown in the cause of education. things considered, this was extravagant, and, as far as Catholics are concerned, most unjust. Their grievance in reference to this subject is a very serious one indeed. The Government of this country provided free education in all public Primary schools, and a cheap education in the Grammar, High schools and University; and from all this Catholics were excluded. Not by any positive enactment—he did not say that—but in point of fact they were exclude! because the conditions under which this education was given were such that Catholics could not avail themselves of it, without betraying their consciences and contemning the precepts of their religion. And not only did Government provide free education, but also scholarships, which those educated for nothing in public schools could obtain, and other collateral advantages, from all which Catholics were excluded. It was true, indeed, that Catholic children educated in Catholic schools could compete for these scholarships; but even should they succeed in winning them they could not hold them, except they abandoned their own excellent schools, and became pupils of godless ones. No matter what amount of sophistry might be used in arguing the question, there could be no doubt whatever that the Catholic body was excluded from all participation in the expenditure of this large sum amounting to nearly £500,000, though it was compelled to contribute its share of the funds. This, he continued, is a very crying injustice, and a state of things highly discreditable to the Legislature, Government, and the majority of the people. And such it is felt to be even by its most zealous partizans, though they do