

ST. PATRICK'S COLLEGE, WELLINGTON.

Collected at Blenheim, Tamarua, and Picton by the Reverend
Father Le Menant des Chesnais.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Mr. John Hors	1	0	0	Mr. David Hallihan	1	0	0
" Eugene Hickie	1	0	0	" James O'Sullivan	1	0	0
Miss Kathleen Cullen	1	0	0	" Daniel Leahy	1	0	0
Mr. Patrick McMahon	1	0	0	" Thos. Branton	1	0	0
" Daniel Scamel	1	0	0	Miss Catharine Byrne	1	0	0
" Michael McGrath	1	0	0	Mr. Jerem. O'Donoghue	1	0	0
Mrs Mary O'Sullivan	1	0	0	" John Hickie	1	0	0
Mr. Cornelius Ryan	1	0	0	" Timothy O'Leary	1	0	0
" Daniel P. O'Connor	1	0	0	" James Shields	1	0	0
Mrs. Carrick	1	0	0	" James Keating	1	0	0
Mr. Henry McKegney	1	0	0	Miss Emilia Weldman	1	0	0
" Michael Cleary	1	0	0	Mr. Jerem. O'Sullivan	1	0	0
" Joseph Ward, Jnr.	1	0	0	" Martin Casey	1	0	0
Mrs. E. Fitzgerald	1	0	0	Miss Julia O'Sullivan	1	0	0
Mr. John Higgins	1	0	0	Mr. James Maher	1	0	0
" John O'Sullivan	1	0	0	Mrs. Dixon	0	10	0
" Patrick O'Sullivan	1	0	0	Miss Johanna Carrol	0	10	0
" Francis Burton	1	0	0	Miss Margaret Fiven	0	10	0
" Daniel Duggan	1	0	0	Miss Ellen Fiven	0	10	0
" John Healy, senr.,	1	0	0	Miss Margaret O'Brien	0	10	0
" John Healy, jnr.,	1	0	0	Mr. John O'Sullivan,			
" Thomas Hunter	1	0	0	Tamarua	0	10	0
" Joseph Davis	1	0	0	Mrs. France, Picton	0	10	0
" Cornelius Horgan	1	0	0	Mr. John Cooney	0	10	0
" Daniel Scanlan	1	0	0	Mrs. John Barry	0	10	0
" John Meehan	1	0	0	Mr. Angelo Brunnetti	0	10	0
" Patrick Meehan	1	0	0	" Wm. Adams	0	10	0
" William Skellion	1	0	0	" Francis McHale	0	10	0
" Patrick Hogan	1	0	0	" James McDonald	0	10	0
" Owen McGrath	1	0	0	" Mark Falvey	0	5	0
" Patrick O'Sullivan	1	1	0	Mrs. Shaw	0	5	0
Mrs. Ewart	1	0	0	Miss Mary Quirke	0	5	0
Mr. John Fitzgerald	1	0	0	Mr. Henry Scrope	0	5	0
" Patrick Coonan	1	0	0				

N.B.—There are many other promises which will be published
when redeemed.—F. L. M.

PORT CHALMERS PRESBYTERY ART-UNION.**WINNING NUMBERS.**

6413	2189	5243	2125	1773	3931	1380	184	3743	3229
3740	955	227	477	892	3194	3698	3948	2564	596
2128	160	1793	5604	5098	5489	5796	152	2196	2207
624	5376	3655	4731	1682	190	6181	5004	807	255
80	3940	24	223	5676	3703	348	5153	3783	3516
28	816	69	4145	4046	1012	2450	59	3209	1666
174	3210	2118	3101	4425	858	1505	2996	442	1166
841	1371	5691	6717	5687	77	6423	3169	138	5826
1634	634	3521	5325	2516	3522	5322	5579	3270	1637
72	3139	2777	3259	1609	1397	3156	857	6145	4496
7386	5509	3116	6432	3201	2530	5515	1092	2604	6372
2678	1396	3945							

CATHEDRAL FUND.

I BEG to acknowledge the receipt of the following subscriptions
towards the Cathedral Fund:—

	£	s.	d.
Bequest of the late Andrew Murphy ...	50	0	0
Mr. W. Ahearn ...	3	0	0
A Friend ...	1	0	0

WEEKLY SUBSCRIPTIONS.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Per Rev. P. Lynch	10	2	6	Per Mr. Brennan	1	0	0
" Mr. N. Smith	1	3	0	" Mr. W. Hall	3	12	0
" Mr. Hamilton	0	9	0	" Mr. Drumm	2	7	0

✱ P. MORAN.

WANTED.—A SCHOOLMASTER holding First-
Class Certificate for the Catholic Boys' School, Reefton;
salary, £150 per annum, with Board. Applications will be received
up to 1st April, 1884, by

REV. FATHER BOLLAND,

Reefton.

NOTICE.

THE drawing in connection with the Art-Union in aid of St.
Mary's Girls' Orphanage, Nelson, has been unavoidably postponed
until further notice.

The New Zealand Tablet.

FIAT JUSTITIA.

FRIDAY, MARCH 7, 1884.

PROGRESS AND JUSTICE IN THE NINETEENTH CENTURY.

THE Catholics of New Zealand provide, at their own sole
expense, an excellent education for their own children. Yet
such is the sense of justice and policy in the New Zealand
Legislature that it compels these Catholics, after having
manfully provided for their own children, to contribute
largely towards the free and godless education of other people's
children !!! This is tyranny, oppression, and plunder.

A NEW DEVICE.

OUR contemporary the *Otago Daily Times* concludes
its leader of yesterday with the following words :
" If the people are really desirous that the next
generation of the people of Otago should be
Christian they will not refuse to contribute the small
sum necessary to provide the teachers required. As
regards the Roman Catholics, could they not
establish a similar system for the education of
such of their children as attend the public schools." These
words have been written *apropos* of a scheme proposed by
the Rev. Mr. Connor for imparting religious instruction in
public schools.

What is the scheme? To prevent misunderstanding we
give it in the words of the *Daily Times*. " His proposal is
that all denominations—though we do not well see how he
can include the Roman Catholics—should combine for the
purpose of supporting one or more duly qualified religious
instructors, who thoroughly know how to interest and control
masses of children. In addition to oral instruction he would
provide for written examinations once a week, and as a guard
against proselytising, the questions put at these examinations
are to be recorded in a book open to the inspection of ministers
of all denominations, so that the character of the instruction
might be seen to be unsectarian and in no way interfering
with denominational peculiarities." Such is the new scheme
that recommends itself so much to our contemporary.

Will the patrons of godless schools never know their own
mind? Some months ago the public were told that the
religious difficulty in regard to these schools had at last found
its solution, and the system then recommended so strongly
by all our contemporaries was inaugurated amidst a flourish
of literary trumpets. But, alas for human invention, this
grand solution of a great difficulty has, in reality, turned out,
as we anticipated it would, a complete failure. At the time
of its inception, however, its friends did not bargain for its
collapse, at least so soon; and school committees that
hesitated to grant at once the religious half-hour, to the
religious secularists, were roundly rated for their hesitancy.
But only a few months have since elapsed, and all has well
nigh ended in smoke.

Hence it has become necessary to devise a new scheme, and,
consequently, we find Mr. Connor come to the rescue, and
behold! the Arch Secularist, the *Otago Daily Times*, seriously
perorating thus : " If the people are really desirous that the
next generation of the people of Otago should be Christian,
they will not refuse to contribute the small sum necessary to
provide the teachers required." Indeed, and is it so easy and
comparatively inexpensive to make the next generation
Christian? And yet we venture to predict that this small
sum will not be forthcoming, and why should it? The public
have now, we fancy, lost all faith in the various schemes
propounded for counteracting the godlessness of our public
schools, and will, we should say, come to the conclusion that
this new device is no more likely to succeed than the religious
half-hour.

And, indeed, it requires no great wisdom to perceive that
if it has been found nearly impossible to secure the atten-
dance of children at oral instruction, it will be still more
difficult to persuade them to patronise a system much more
laborious. The experience of the past and the well-known
disinclination of children to write in the way suggested