

to their minds the memory of another fervent pioneer of the Catholic faith who had also laboured zealously and effectively in this diocese of Dunedin. We allude to the late Rev. Father Moreau, S.M., who, in the earlier days of the province of Otago, and under the more difficult circumstances of the times, worked here with a devotion still gratefully remembered, and whose name will always be held in veneration among us.

THE Rev. Father Vereker has been transferred from South Dunedin to Riverton, and is replaced by the Rev. Father Hunt, who comes from Arrowtown. In each case the removal of the rev. pastor is much regretted by his late flock. The popularity of a priest, however, always accompanies him in the changes found necessary by diocesan arrangements, and in the end all is atoned for and nothing is lost.

St. JOSEPH'S School, Dunedin, and St. Patrick's School, South Dunedin, will re-open on Monday next, the 27th inst. Studies will be resumed at the Dominican Convent High School on Monday, February 10th. In each case the punctual attendance of pupils is requested, punctuality being absolutely necessary to improvement and progress.

ON Sunday evening in St. Joseph's Cathedral, Dunedin, the choir had the valuable assistance of Miss Knight, who also sang as a solo a "O Salutaris." The young lady's rare contralto notes were heard to great advantage.

HIS Excellency the Governor, accompanied by Lord Carrington, Governor of New South Wales, left Dunedin last week to be present at the celebrations in the North Island of the jubilee of the Colony. Wednesday the 29th inst., the anniversary day, has been proclaimed a general holiday.

ON the application of Mr. M'Keay, probate of the will of the late Right Rev. Monsignor Coleman has been granted by his Honor Mr. Justice Williams to the Most Rev. Dr. Moran, Roman Catholic Bishop of Dunedin.

THE Earl of Kintore, Governor of South Australia, accompanied by the Countess and his sons, Lord Inverurie and the Hon. Arthur Keith-Falconer, arrived in Dunedin by special train from Invercargill on Monday evening. His Excellency and his party had come from Melbourne to the Bluff by the s.s. Mararoa. The illustrious visitors were met at the terminus by his Worship the Mayor and several other prominent citizens. They, with their suite, proceeded in carriages to Government House escorted by the Otago Hussars.

WE have to acknowledge the receipt from the Rev. Father McManus of £100, subscribed at Ross in aid of the Evicted Tenants' Fund.

SIR THOMAS ESMONDE has left Auckland for Samoa, where he will remain until it is necessary for him to proceed to Tutuila, another island of the group, to catch the steamer Zealandia for San Francisco. Mr. Dillon leaves Auckland by this steamer next week. He is, however, expected to deliver another address prior to his departure. As we have already mentioned, preparations for the reception of the delegates have been for some time made in San Francisco.

AN exceedingly enjoyable concert and soiree (says the Auckland Evening Star, of January 3), eventuated in the public hall, Howick, on Monday evening last and proved an unqualified success. The hall, prettily decorated with nikau, Christmas, and other choice flowers, looked at its best; while the happy rendering of the various items of an excellent programme secured more than an ordinary share of appreciation on the part of the audience. Miss Hilda Lord and Master Alfred Hart, children of tender years, gave recitations, the latter selecting for his subject "Ireland's Freedom." Both, it is needless to say, were favoured with rounds of well-merited applause. The refreshments supplied by Mr. Robertson, Panmure, were not only liberal, but likewise of a *recherché* nature, and at the proper moment ample justice was done to the same. Mr. Fred Hindley and Mr. Crewe gave very amusing performances on the bones, accompanied by appropriate songs, which really convulsed the audience. The after music was supplied by Mr. Alfred Bray and some lady friends with much acceptance. Monsignor McDonald presided, and in a few well-chosen sentences thanked his musical friends for their valued services, and also the audience for the very liberal support accorded by them to a most deserving object, and concluded his remarks by wishing in anticipation one and all a "happy New Year."

THE Scotch Liberal papers (says *Truth*) are denouncing Lord Willoughby d'Eresby, who is alleged to have dismissed one Robert Fenwick (described as "an honest, industrious, working man," and

who was employed on his lordship's Stobhall estate) because he is a Liberal, and has taken an active part in promoting Liberal principles in the parish in which he lives. Fenwick, having been "boycotted" by Lord Willoughby, has also been "ousted" from the house which he and his family had occupied for generations. A correspondent of the *Dunedin Advertiser* asserts that Lord Willoughby's workmen live in "political servility," as his lordship "is exacting to the last degree." It has long been notorious in Perthshire that both tenants and workmen on the Drummond Castle and Stobhall estates must be Tories if they desire to prosper, and most of them have been dragged by Lord Willoughby into the Primrose League, of which egregiously association he is one of the leaders.

WE see that the students of the Jesuit Fathers at Kew, near Melbourne, are still maintaining the reputation of their teachers. Passes and honours have again this year been obtained by them in an increasing ratio, of which we give the particulars elsewhere. We are also glad to learn that the Fathers have found it necessary to enlarge their college, and are about to open a new wing of the building. All this speaks well for the prospects of Catholic education.

WE have received a copy of St. Joseph's Almanac for 1890. This is a very interesting and useful publication, containing full information respecting the several dioceses of the colony, and a calendar marking numerous Catholic events. Other matters of interest are also given, such as a garden and farm calendar, postal arrangements, and several items constantly required. Every Catholic household will find this almanac indispensable—and even non-Catholics will acknowledge its usefulness.

Correspondence.

(We are not responsible for the opinions expressed by our Correspondents.)

EVICTED TENANTS' FUND.

TO THE EDITOR N.Z. TABLET.

SIR,—Please find enclosed cheque for one hundred pounds sterling (£100), together with exchange, £1 12s 6d, the result of Esmonde's visit to the Ross district.—I am, etc.,

W. MACMANUS.

WELLINGTON.

January 18, 1890.

AMONG the names on the list of subscribers to the Christmas dues, read at the Cathedral of Sunday last, was that of our worthy Mayor, C. J. Johnston Esq., for £10.

It is a pleasing feature of the Jubilee for which preparations are actually being pushed forward, that all classes, irrespective of sect, take a part in it, and the children of the Catholic schools were warned on Sunday at the different Masses to attend the singing practise to take place under the tutelage of Mr. Billman, the gentleman who, on behalf of the Jubilee Committee, has been giving the necessary vocal instruction at the different schools in the city. In consequence of the delightful state of feeling of the rival provinces, Wellington and Auckland, New Zealand is threatened with two Jubilees, one in Wellington on the 22nd and the other in Auckland on the 29th instants; had the claims of Wellington been considered, and as the capital of the colony, Wellington's claim, we would imagine, should be considered first, then nothing could possibly interfere with a celebration from North to South and from East to West of the country, which would be a credit to all concerned and attract much outside attention. As the case stands, no notice will be taken of the rival Jubilees outside the boundaries of the provinces where they take place. By an exercise of wise patriotism, had the whole colony of New Zealand joined, a grand celebration would have been the result which would have carried the name and fame of this gem of the Southern Seas on the wings of the wind to every part of the world inaugurating an era to be remembered by New Zealanders in ages to come.

Since writing the above I believe that the Government have gazetted the 29th instant a public holiday. What a pity this was not done before! The Jubilee will be fittingly celebrated by the Catholic Church, and next Sunday in honour of the great event a Pontifical High Mass, at which his Grace the Archbishop will officiate and preach, will constitute the morning service. It is stated that the Mayor, C. J. Johnston Esq., and the City Councillors will be present at this grand service, at the invitation of His Grace. After vespers & Te Deum will be sung by the choir. The music to be performed at the Pontifical High Mass will be Gounod's "Messe Solennelle," by full orchestral choir, also, as an offertorium, Buhler's "Jeu dulcis Memoria." The Governor of New South Wales, Lord Carrington, Lord Onslow, Governor of New Zealand and Admiral Lord Charles Scott, H.M.S., Orlando will arrive in Wellington on the 21st inst, on board the Orlando, to be present and take part in the Wellington Jubilee celebrations.

At a meeting held in the City Council Chambers by the Free Public Library Committee recently, John Duthie, Esq., in the chair, a letter was read from Mr. Levin, covering a cheque for £100 towards the fund, the gift of Mr. Levin, senior, at present residing in England. The fund has now reached the respectable total of over £2200. Members of the House of Representatives who make Wel-