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**DEATH**

**BROWNE.**—On the 11th February, 1908, at the residence of his niece, 13 Austin street, Wellington, Charles Townley Browne; aged 82 years.—R.I.P.

**ROCHE.**—On February 9th, in Tuapeka Hospital, Maurice Patrick, third and beloved son of Mary and John Roche, and grandson of the late Mrs. Dalton, lace manufacturer, Limerick; aged 23 years and 9 months. Deeply regretted.—R.I.P.

**IN-MEMORIAM**

In loving memory of Catherine, beloved wife of Daniel O'Connell, who died at her residence, Seacliff, February 16th, 1900.—R.I.P. Inserted by her loving husband and family.

**MARRIAGE**

**WRIGHT—CONDON.**—At St. Patrick's Church, Napier, on 10th February, 1908, by Rev. W. D. Goggan, Mary (May) Emelian Condon, eldest daughter of Mrs. K. Condon, of Napier, to Mr. Hugh Wright, of Auckland.

**ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENT**

J.T.—Paper received on Wednesday, shortly before we went to press. Paragraph you complain of is rough and uncouth, and somewhat incoherent. But the right of comment that is claimed in the one case is not, as a casual reading might suggest, denied in the other. It is not the right of comment that is objected to, but the particular nature or form which the comment took, and on which the writer is, in turn, free to comment. The only objection we can see in the paragraph is the ill-temper and incoherency of it, and its 'derangement of epithets.' This is a matter of taste, on which it is— with such a writer—scarcely worth our while to waste powder and shot. On a sufficient question of fact or right it would be different.

**EDITOR'S NOTICES:**

Send news **WHILE IT IS FRESH.** State reports will not be inserted.

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**MESSAGE OF POPE LEO XIII. TO THE N.Z. TABLET:**  
*Pergant Directores et Scriptores New Zealand Tablet, Apostolica Benedictione confortati, Religionis et Justitie causam promovere per vias Veritatis et Pacis.*  
Die 4 Aprilis, 1900. **LEO XIII., P.M.**

**TRANSLATION.**—Fortified by the Apostolic Blessing, let the Directors and Writers of the New Zealand Tablet continue to promote the cause of Religion and Justice by the ways of Truth and Peace.

April 4, 1900.

**LEO XIII., Pope.**



THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 1908.

**CARDINAL MORAN'S VISIT**



FOR Catholics and non-Catholics alike in New Zealand, the interest that attaches to Cardinal Moran's visit to Auckland is of far more than merely local or provincial interest. For the distinguished churchman belongs not to Sydney alone, but has been for over a quarter of a century a commanding figure throughout the length and breadth of all the far-extending regions that are collectively known as Australasia. Nor is he known merely as an ecclesiastic, but as a patriot and scholar. Without once entangling himself in the bonds of mere party allegiance, he has ever taken an active, broad-minded, and patriotic interest in public affairs. He lifted, for instance, the cause of Federation to a higher plane; he took a conspicuous part in the State commemorations of 1888 and in the celebrations connected with the establishment of the Australian Commonwealth; he made noble and highly-appreciated efforts as peacemaker during the great maritime strike of 1890; and generally, ever since his advent in New South Wales, he has been, so to speak, a part of the public life of Australasia. From the moment that he landed in the capital of the Mother State, he became, in his own words, 'an Australian among Australians'. 'Outside the pale of religion', added he, 'I know of no subject relating to our social and our national welfare in which it is not within my power to work with the same energy and the same devotion of heart and feeling as any other man in Australia'.

To the Catholic, as a Catholic, the chief interest in the distinguished Prince of the Church naturally centres in his position and his fame as an ecclesiastic and scholar. While yet in the bloom of early manhood, his patient and toilsome researches among the treasures of the Vatican and other libraries, the British State Paper Office, the archives of the mother-houses of the various religious Orders in the Eternal City, and the moss-grown ruins of green Eire of the Streams, enabled him to give to the world a score of learned volumes that are still standard works upon the early and the post-Reformation periods of the ecclesiastical history of his native land. His early love of historical research is with him still. Some of its results may be seen in his monumental 'History of the Catholic Church in Australasia'; and other paths of investigation pursued by him will, it is understood, play an important part in the process of canonisation of the Ven. Oliver Plunkett, the martyred Archbishop of Armagh. As a Prelate, we may say of him, in the words of a biographer, that, during his career in Australia, 'one finds every year

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