LEO XIII., Pope.

# CHRISTIAN BROTHERS' SCHOOL, DUNEDIN

## AN APPEAL.

It is my intention if given sufficient encouragement to erect a school for the Christian Brothers' boys in Dowling street, and to put the work in hand imme-The erection of this school will entail an expenditure of about seven thousand pounds. in hand half that amount. I now appeal to the generosity of the public, and particularly of the Catholic public, to supply the other half, so that I may be able to put the work in hand at once. This may fairly be described as a semi-public work. It will benefit the public by putting so much money in circulation, it will benefit and in no small way beautify the city, and it will add another building worthy of our educational establishments. Now, when so many tradespeople and others are clamoring for work, is not the time to hang up works that in ordinary circumstances could be gone on with. I have sufficient confidence in the issue of events to warrant me in spending this money if I get the encouragement from the public and from those interested that I expect, and I think that any man who spends money on works at the present time is doing a public and patriotic duty. I may add that all materials to be used in this building will, where possible, be produced in this country, and chiefly in this city, so that all money subscribed will go back into the pockets of the people. Thanking you in anticipation.

JAMES COFFEY.

St. Joseph's Cathedral, Dunedin.

#### MARRIAGE

KENNY-WALSHE.-On August 19, 1914, at the Sacred Heart Basilica, Wellington, by the Rev. Father Tymons, Joseph Charles, youngest son of the late John Kenny, Gisborne, to Nora Veronica (Nonie), youngest daughter of James Walshe, Wellington.

#### **DEATHS**

FINLAY.—On September 8, 1914, at the residence of her parents, lugleside, Windsor, Annie, the cldest beloved daughter of David and Annic Finlay; aged 27 years.—R.I.P.

MOLONEY .-- On September 9, 1914, at her residence, York place, Dunedin, Bridget, relict of Michael Moloney, and mother of Rev. Father Moloney, S.M., Wanganui; aged 82 years.—R.I.P.

POWER.—On September 10, 1914, at his residence, 424 Oxford terrace, Christchurch, Edmond Joseph Power, sixth son of Catherine and the late Maurice Power, Dromore, Co. Waterford, Ireland.—R.I.P.

## IN MEMORIAM

KEPPEL.—Of your charity, pray for the repose of the soul of John Patrick, dearly loved son of Maurice and Annie Keppel, Manaia, who died September 17, 1910.

On whose soul, Sweet Jesus, have mercy.

QUINN .- In loving memory of Katie . Quinn, who died at the Sacred Heart Convent, Wanganui, on Sepember 13, 1901.—R.I.P. Insloving mother, brothers, and sisters. Inserted by her

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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 Justitia causam promovere per vias Veritatis et Pacis. Die & 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 Beligion and Justice by the ways of Truth and Peacs. April 4, 1900.



THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 1914.

# AN INCONTESTABLE VICTORY



E have sufficient facts before us now to be assured that these words, from the French General's despatch, are a sober, unexaggerated, and absolutely truthful account of the momentous Battle of the Marne. The battle-or, rather, as General Joffre terms it, the first phase of the battle-commenced on the 6th and lasted until the 12th inst. The fighting,

which was hot and keen on both sides, was for some time indecisive, but gradually the enemy gave way; and in the end the Germans have been driven back to a distance of something like sixty miles, many prisoners and a large number of guns have been captured, a heavy loss in killed and wounded has been inflicted, and a decisive and most opportune victory has been gained. It is not necessary to be an expert to realise the immense importance of this success. It means that the investment of Paris has now been indefinitely postponed, with a very remote prospect of ever eventuating; and that the whole German plan of striking a swift and crushing blow at France has been frustrated. The truth is that the German forces have attempted what was from the outset an almost impossible task; with the delay occasioned by Liège the task became wholly impossible. It is no derogation of the prowess of the Germans as fighting units that they have been defeated in this historic contest; and we hope we shall not have some wild-eyed enthusiast writing to the papers to accuse us of being pro-German if we pay an ungrudging tribute to the magnificent courage shown by the enemy when disaster after disaster fell upon them. It is tolerably evident that too much has been asked of the German machine in the way of continuous fighting; and this, coupled with shortage of rations and of ammunition, has doubtless been the dominant factor in bringing about this colossal and to us most welcome débacle.

We are all the more eager to say what good we can of the enemy in that he has so far left us so little opportunity for the exercise of the spirit of generous We have hitherto refrained from comfoemanship. menting on the stories of diabolical outrages which have reached us, for we could not bring ourselves lightly to believe that such things were possible on the part of a people who, as well for their intellectual and scientific attainment as for their industrial and commercial enterprise, have deservedly been held in high honor amongst the nations. But making all allowance for partisanship and exaggeration, and for the irresponsibility

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