

**BIRTH**

POUND.—On June 19, 1915, at Jed street, Invercargill, to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Pound—a son.

**MARRIAGE**

MACDONALD—SUTTON.—At St. Joseph's Church, Hawera, on June 1, 1915, by the Very Rev. Dean Power, assisted by the Rev. Father Doolaghty, of Marton, Richard, second son of Mrs. S. MacDonald, Raumai, Palmerston North, to Pauline (Dollie), youngest daughter of Mrs. H. W. Sutton, of Hawera.

**DEATHS**

BOYD.—On May 8, 1915 (killed in action at the Dardanelles), Douglas Percival, youngest son of Hugh and Mary Boyd, of Rangiora.—R.I.P.

FLANNERY.—Bernard James, second youngest son of Bryan and Mary Flannery, Ophir, on May 19, in his eighteenth year.—R.I.P.

HAND.—On May 2, 1915 (killed in action at the Dardanelles), Lance-Corporal James Hand, eldest son of Mr. H. Hand, Queen street, Milton, and brother of Mrs. H. J. Johnston, 46 Woodville street, St. Albans, Christchurch; and Mrs. C. G. Walshe, 88 Lincoln road, Christchurch; aged 36 years.—R.I.P.

MURPHY.—On May 27, 1915 (from wounds received at the Dardanelles), Ernest James Murphy, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Murphy, 41 The Terrace, Wellington, and grandson of the late Nicholas English, of Wellington.—R.I.P.

O'CONNOR.—On June 16, 1915, at the residence of her brother-in-law (Mr. J. T. Mannix, Devon street West, New Plymouth), Mary Margaret, elder daughter of the late Daniel O'Connor, Limerick, Ireland; aged 57 years.—R.I.P.

O'DONNELL.—On June 15, 1915, at Hiloan, Cairo (from wounds received at the Dardanelles), Dennis, second dearly beloved son of Timothy and Margaret O'Donnell, Thornbury; aged 29 years.—R.I.P.

O'DONNELL.—On June 16, 1915, at his residence, Neu street, Oamaru, Edmond, the dearly beloved husband of Ellen O'Donnell; aged 60 years.—R.I.P.

**IN MEMORIAM**

CASSELS.—In sad and loving memory of B. J. (Barney) Cassels, who died at Ashburton, June 23, 1913. Interred in Southern Cemetery, Dunedin. R.I.P.

When o'er my grave all I ask is a prayer  
For the Spirit that has quickened, and the dust lying there:

When far from my grave, may your prayers never cease,

Till we meet once again in the Kingdom of Peace.

—Inserted by his loving sister, K. Anderson, Dunedin.

HERBERT.—Of your charity pray for the repose of the soul of Mrs. Herbert, who died at Oamaru, on June 28, 1912. Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy on her. Queen of the Holy Rosary and St. Joseph, pray for her.

**THANKS**

MR. and MRS. BRYAN FLANNERY and FAMILY Ophir, desire to return their sincere thanks for the many consoling messages of sympathy received by them in their recent bereavement.

**REMUERA ANNUAL AT HOME**

The Catholics of Remuera will be

AT HOME

to their friends at the

TOWN HALL, AUCKLAND

on

WEDNESDAY EVENING, JUNE 30, 1915

DANCING—8.15 p.m. EUCHRE—8.15 p.m.

Tickets obtainable at WILDMAN AND AREY'S not later than SATURDAY, JUNE 26.

Invitations from the Secretary—

MR. F. W. GREY,

Clonbern Road, Remuera.

'Phone 1990.

Trams to all suburbs after function.

**MESSAGE OF POPE LEO XIII. TO THE N.Z. TABLET.**

*Pergant Directores et Scriptores New Zealand Tablet, Apostolica Benedictione confortati, Religionis et Justitiam 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, JUNE 24, 1915.

**THE POLITICAL SITUATION**



THE first session of the new Parliament opens this week under circumstances that are, we believe, unprecedented in the history of Parliamentary government in this country. The last of the by-elections rendered necessary as the result of election petitions and otherwise has now been held; and the net result of these contests is to leave parties in a particularly evenly balanced state.

The vote of one of the members, Mr. Tau Henare, Native member for the Northern Maori District, is still uncertain, for though it is definitely and strongly claimed by the Government, the claim is not allowed by the Opposition, and, publicly at least, has not as yet been endorsed by the member himself. Leaving this gentleman out of consideration for the moment, the strength of the parties stands thus—Government, 40; combined Opposition, 39. The appointment of a Speaker from the ranks of the Government will leave the parties exactly equal, each with a certain voting

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