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DEATHS

- BUCKLEY.** On Wednesday, July 3, 1918, at East Bevi, A. Buckley, Mary, beloved wife of Daniel Buckley, aged 72 years. Born at Crusheen, Co. Clare, Ireland. R.I.P.
- COLUMB.** On July 27, 1918, at his parents' residence, Whangarei, Charles, second son of Charles and Mary Ann Columby, aged 14 years. Inmaculate Heart of Mary, pray for him. Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy on him.
- DONOVAN.** On July 22, 1918, at his residence, 1 Jervis Road, Ponsonby, Andrew, youngest son of James and Catherine Donovan, aged 70 years. May he rest in peace.
- McDEVITT.** At St. Hubert's, on July 28, 1918, Joseph McDevitt, son of John and Catherine, of G. Dane, of Auckland, aged 72 years. R.I.P.

FOR THE EMPIRE'S CAUSE

IN MEMORIAM

- CLARK.** In loving memory of Robert Alphonse Clark (George), late N.Z. Reinforcement, your best son of 16 years, W. J. Clark, Street Street, Dunedin, who died on August 1, 1917, of wounds received at La Bassée, France. R.I.P.
- CLARKE.** In loving memory of Captain Peter Clarke (Thomas), who died on July 30, 1916. R.I.P.
- HARROP.** In loving memory of George Alfred Harrop, who died in France of wounds on July 27th, 1916. May his soul, and the souls of the faithful departed, possess the mercy of God, rest in peace.

IN MEMORIAM

- BOYLE.** Of your charity pray for the repose of the soul of John Boyle, beloved husband of Anne Boyle, who died at Hoddon Bush on July 30, 1914. May his soul rest in peace.
- BOYLE.** In loving memory of John Boyle, who died at Hoddon Bush on July 30, 1914. On whose soul, sweet Jesus, have mercy.
- MULHERN.** In loving memory of Clare Angelia Mulhern, who died at Pahantamui on July 8, 1917. On whose soul, sweet Jesus, have mercy. - Inserted by her loving mother, sisters, and brothers.

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, AUGUST 1, 1918.

CATHOLICS AND GOVERNMENT SERVICE

BY their fruits ye shall know them. Whenever we come upon a particularly idiotic statement in the press we at once attribute it either to a P.P.A. orator or to a certain professor of Knox College whose sayings bid fair to attain a local notoriety hardly as enviable as that of the words that once dropped from the lips of another professor over the breakfast table. Among the ineptitudes that have been circulated lately for the further glory of a foolish people is the ex cathedra assertion that Catholics have captured the Government services in New Zealand. It does not matter a whit that it is phrased so egregiously who thinks at all that Catholics are not well represented having their proper representation among the members of the Upper House, in the Lower House, in the Ministry, and among the judges and magistrates. In a word where there is a soft job worth having, one may rest assured it is not held by a Catholic. To make some show of decent consideration the annual from the table of Dives are flung to our people, who therefore find a seat on the hard stools of offices and a place of prominence on the policeman's beat. *Uxoribus turbemus!* Catholics have not their proper representation; and what they who say we have captured the services really mean is that all the rates and taxes should be lavished on the efficient and learned gentleman whom the P.P.A. and kindred societies are prepared to provide whenever a billet that requires neither brains nor energy turns up. The amusing part about it is that they disguise their rapacity under the cloak of an appeal for equal terms for all: while they would certainly get paresis, and possibly uraemia, if it were one fine morning proposed by Mr. Massey or Sir Joseph Ward that henceforth one-seventh of the members of the Upper House, of the House of Representatives, of the judges, of the magistrates should henceforth be Catholics. We can all imagine what would happen, but we do not like to think of it.

Now instead of reasoning about the matter and trying to convince the unreasonable people—who before making a speech multiply the number of Catholic policemen by the square of the size of Sir Joseph Ward's hat and announce the result as a triumph of statistics—there is another way to meet the case, if anyone should worry at all about meeting it. It is this: Tell the P.P.A. and the Government and all others whom it may concern that we do not want their little jobs, and that we shall be very pleased if a few sergeants' helmets and a few postmen's uniforms flung among the raging ranks of the No-Popery army will

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