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### MARRIAGES

**DONOHUE—RYAN.**—On January 25, 1921, at St. Mary's Church, Manchester Street, Christchurch, by the Very Rev. Dean Regnault, assisted by Rev. Father Long, Joseph, fourth son of the late Mr. T. Donohue, of Doyleston, and Mrs. Donohue, of Woolston, to Delia, eldest daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Ryan, of Ashburton.

**TROWLAND—KELLEHER.**—On February 8, 1921, at the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Stratford, Robert, eldest son of Mrs. and the late Mr. Robert Trowland, of Greymouth, to Elizabeth, third daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. Kelleher, Romeo Street, Stratford.

### DEATHS

**LENNON.**—Of your charity pray for the repose of the soul of Mary Agnes Lennon (relict of Michael Lennon, and only daughter of the late William Feehan, Birr, King's County, Ireland; mother of William, James, and Michael Lennon), who died at the residence of her son, James, Maitland Street, Dunedin, on February 11, 1921. R.I.P.

**O'CONNOR.**—Of your charity pray for the repose of the soul of Mary O'Connor, of Wataona, South Westland, who died suddenly at Waiho Gorge on January 24, 1921; aged 48 years.—Eternal rest grant to her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her.

### IN MEMORIAM

**BROWNE.**—Of your charity pray for the repose of the soul of William George Browne, who died at 47 Barr Street, Mornington, Dunedin, on February 2, 1920. Also Margaret Mary, wife of the above, who died at 47 Barr St., Mornington, on February 27, 1920.—Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy on their souls.

**O'HAGAN.**—Of your charity pray for the repose of the soul of Ellen O'Hagan, who died (suddenly) at Pukerau on February 18, 1902.—Let perpetual light shine on her, O Lord, and may her soul rest in peace.

**O'HAGAN.**—Of your charity pray for the repose of the soul of Charles O'Hagan, who died (suddenly) at Pukerau on February 17, 1909.—O Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy on his soul.

**O'LOUGHLIN.**—In loving memory of Andrew O'Loughlin, who died at St. Andrews on February 27, 1919. Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy on his soul.—Inserted by his loving wife.

## BAZAAR

— In aid of —

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MARCH 3 AND 4.

All blocks of Art Union Books to be returned before March 3 to

FATHER V. KELLY,

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Matiere, King County,

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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 Justitiae 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 24, 1921.

## THE CURSE OF STUPIDITY



ONCE upon a time Mr. Chesterton wrote a book called *What's Wrong With the World*. A big book might be written in answer to the question, *What's wrong with England?* It is apparent to everybody that something has gone very wrong with that unfortunate country, of which Heine once said that the sea would long ago have swallowed it only for the gastric embarrassment that would ensue. De Valera diagnosed England's trouble when he said that stupidity was the cause of all her crimes and all her mistakes. England has always been stupid. Her stupidity during the past five years has been incredible. Of her with strictest truth may it be said nowadays: Whom the gods wish to destroy they first make mad. England is even more stupid than a Council-of-Churches presided over by the Reverend J. J. North.

Think of England's record during the very time she was telling the world that she was the champion of small nations. Having begun by shooting women and children in the Dublin streets, for no reason but that some Catholic Irishmen had done what Carson's Orangemen had been doing openly, the next stupidity was to suspend a Home Rule Bill little better than a farce and to hold Ireland in slavery while professing to fight for Polish and Belgian freedom. Later, when Irishmen asserted their right to freedom and fought for freedom, England shot them under circumstances of inconceivable barbarity, while at the same time protesting against German barbarity in other small nations. A further instance of stupidity was the promotion to Cabinet rank of Carson, who had helped to cause the war and who defied the British Crown, and even allowed his friends to threaten to hang English Ministers from London lamp-posts. The farce went on. Lloyd George professed his anxiety to settle the Irish question. He called a Convention and told the world that the settlement lay with it. At the same time he told the Convention that the only possible settlement must be according to his notions and not according to the views of the assembly. To make matters more ridiculous, "Galloper" Smith let the cat

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