

Unveiling a Memorial Scroll.

BRIGADIER-GENERAL FINN PERFORMS THE CEREMONY.

On Saturday afternoon the Memorial Scroll recording the names of all the district men who had served in South Africa was unveiled in the Council Chambers, where it was placed. The Scottish Rifles, under Captain Morris, who had paraded that day and been inspected by the General shortly before 1 p.m., headed by their pipe band, marched to the Council Chambers, where they were drawn up in line. A contingent of the Lancers was also present, and when the General and his staff (Lieut.-Colonel Antill and Captain Branton) arrived, they were received with the customary salute. Major Taylor, of the Lancers, Lieut. Osborne, and Lieut. Cameron were also present.

The General was introduced to the Mayor and Aldermen, likewise to Mr. J. W. Coleman, M.L.A., and members of committee present.

The party having entered the Council Chambers, the Mayor, addressing those present, said they were doubtless aware that when the Patriotic Memorial had been erected and unveiled in October last, it was stated that there was still something else to be done before the memorial was complete; that as it was impossible to find space on the memorial itself to record the names of all the district men who had served in South Africa, it was decided to place on the memorial itself only the names of those who had fallen, and to inscribe the other names on a scroll to be placed in the Council Chambers. This had now been done, and the work was to that extent completed. He was pleased to welcome that day General Finn, a soldier of distinction, and he had much pleasure in now inviting him to unveil the memorial. (Applause.)

General Finn, who was received with cheers, said he was delighted to accede to the request made to him to unveil the roll of honour. Soldiers would be pleased to have their names on the roll, and it would also be gratifying to those who had the names of members of their family inscribed there. When 150 men went from this district, it showed how great was the military enthusiasm of the people. He saw here Captain McDonald, one of their number who had rendered good service; and Lieut.-Colonel Antill, under whom they had served, was pleased to know that Lieutenants Drummond and Palmer, who had volunteered from here, had with others obtained commissions, and several had been mentioned and received the D.S.O. He was glad that the death roll was not larger than it had proved, and five was not a large number for the number they had sent. It afforded him great pleasure to find such a good Half-Squadron of mounted men here, and also such a good Company of Scottish Rifles. These were proof of the interest taken here in military matters. They had a rich country and must be prepared to defend it. Not only was interest taken in military matters here by the soldiers, but it was gratifying to find that it was shown by employers also, and it was very pleasing to him to see so many men turn out on the most busy day of the week, which they could not have done but for the consideration shown by their employers. He did not forget the good service of Major Taylor and Captain Morris in respect to their several forces, and he was pleased to have the opportunity to thank them. He had much pleasure now in unveiling the Scroll of Honour.

This consisted in removing the enveloping Commonwealth Flag, which was greeted with hearty cheers.

Major Taylor said while the scroll was a work of art, he personally would have liked to have seen it even better, and had the funds been available, that it should have been perpetuated in marble. These men had made the highest offering that it was possible for men to give, they had risked their lives to serve their country. (Cheers.) They had included all the names they could ascertain, but there were many others who had enlisted in other States whose names they did not know. From Lismore we had sent 51 men

listed in other States whose names they did not know. From Lismore we had sent 51 men from the Lancers, to which he belonged. (Cheers.) They had rendered good service, and had worthily upheld the name and fame of the Richmond River. (Cheers.) All felt that the memorial was honored in being unveiled by Brigadier-General Finn. (Cheers.)

The Mayor moved a vote of thanks to Brigadier-General Finn for his attendance to perform the ceremony.

The vote was carried by acclamation, and was duly acknowledged by the General, who said he regretted he was not able to give more time to this important district, but in order to visit other centres it took him and his attenuated staff all their time to get through their duties. (Applause.)

Mr. J. W. Coleman, M.L.A., said he was pleased to be present that day, and to extend a welcome to General Finn of whom he had heard as a gallant and capable officer. He would be pleased if ever it was in his power to help the military establishment of the State. (Applause.)

This concluded the ceremony.

The Scroll was prepared by John Sains and Co., and has a very ornamental frame.

NOONAN'S SPECIAL.—An intending exhibitor had asked whether in the event of a heifer shown as such at say Lismore and Altonville calving before Bangalow he could be debarred from exhibiting. The matter came before Lismore committee at last meeting, and members seemed about evenly divided in their opinions. The question was referred to Altonville, and a motion was carried unanimously that any entry made bona fide with the Lismore Society should be accepted, and any heifer calving after having been shown at one or two shows must still be exhibited, as the judge at each show will comment on the animal as they appear before him.

Boxing.—The boxing contest between Billy McKell, the champion champion of Australia, and J. Kinnally, a well-known local fighter, came off in the Hibernian Hall on last Wednesday evening. The hall was well filled, and previous to the contest a good deal of arrangement was created by several bouts with local boys. McKell and Kinnally then had an interesting contest. The latter was the better, but he lacked condition, and after six rounds the contest was declared in favour of McKell. Everything was carried out very nicely, there being an entertaining and profitable refreshment table arranged in front of the match has by an arrangement between McKell and Kinnally to come off on Monday night next. McKell undertaking to stop his nose by eight rounds. As Kinnally has no longer a good training since their first meeting, the contest should be a good one.

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