

THE LATE CORPORAL CHARLES MOORE.

THE ALBERT PARK MEMORIAL UNVEILED

A very large number of people gathered at Albert Park, last Sunday afternoon, to pay their last tribute of respect to a former resident of the district, who fell gallantly in the Boer war fighting for Queen and Empire. The late Charles Moore, the soldier whose memory was thus honored, was widely known and liked in the district, and when news was received that the genial frank-hearted comrade had been cut off in the prime of early manhood, his friends determined that his memory should be perpetuated in his native place. The beautiful memorial unveiled last Sunday was originally the idea of some of the deceased nearest friends, foremost amongst which were Mr. R. Burke, Captain Barclay, and Mr Barry. The finishing touch was put on their labor last Sunday, when the State Commandant Brigadier General Gordon, unveiled the memorial, and graphically related the heroic manner in which Moore met his death, concluding by quoting the fitting epitaph pronounced on the deceased man by his commanding officer, Colonel Kelly, that "he was a good soldier and a hard fighter." The commandant, who was accompanied by Colonel Kelly, Major Patterson, and several other officers, was received by Captain Barclay and Messrs. Burke and Barry, on behalf of the subscribers; Mr. G. Elmslie, M.L.A., the mayor and councillors of South Melbourne, and a guard of the members of C Company Senior Cadet Battalion. The ceremony, which was of an impressive character, was witnessed by a large concourse of people, and appropriate selections were rendered at intervals by the Permanent R.A.A. Band. Members of the A.M.C. batteries of the Victorian Field Artillery were also present. The memorial, which is at the intersection of Bridport and Montague streets, is handsomely executed in Carrara white and veined marble, on a Malmsbury bluestone base, resting on a bluestone platform. Above the basin stands a fluted column bearing a scroll, with the inscription, "In memory of Charles Moore, of the Australian Imperial Regiment, who fell in

South Africa during the Boer war, aged 26 years. Erected by subscription. Memoria in aeterna." After the memorial had been unveiled, Captain Barclay, on behalf of the subscribers, handed it over to the trusteeship of the mayor (Cr. T. Craine) as representing the citizens of South Melbourne. Cr. Craine, in suitable terms, accepted the trust, and speeches were made by Mr. G. Elmslie, M.L.A., and Mr. E. J. Moore, a brother of the deceased corporal.