

## MARIST BROTHERS' SCHOOL, PORT ADELAIDE.

### ROLL OF HONOUR UNVEILED.

There was a very large attendance at the Marist Brothers' School, Port Adelaide, on Sunday afternoon, when a roll of honour containing 154 names of old scholars who have enlisted for the front was unveiled by his Grace the Archbishop in the school ground, where a platform had been erected.

The roll of honour was designed by Mr. Chris. McLennan in walnut colour. The woodwork was supplied by Messrs. Walter & Morris. The top portion of the roll was carved and ornamented, and inscribed with the words "For God and King. Servo Semper. Marist Brothers' Old Scholars, Port Adelaide. Roll of Honour." On the roll are 154 names of soldiers, of whom 28 have made the supreme sacrifice. The lower portion of the roll is divided by a cornice and columned off by three heavy pillars. The names and wording of the title were carried out in richly gilded lettering. The following is a list of the names on the roll, those starred having made the supreme sacrifice:—

T. E. Arnfield, G. G. Arnfield, H. Bolton, xD. Barr, J. Burke, T. Bowden, F. Benson, R. Barry, A. Barry, xE. Bain, J. Bain, C. Barber, J. Carey, F. Colgan, C. Curtin, M. Curtin, L. Caffin, xE. Crowe, P. Crowe, T. Crichton, xD. Coleman, R. Cornell, J. Coghlan, T. Coghlan, xH. Clohessy, H. Coen, xF. Doubrich, H. Daniels, H. Danvers, C. Dawson, F. Davis, xG. Dewar, M. Edgword, C. Elms, D. Fitzgerald, W. Fitzgerald, T. Fitzgerald, H. Fletcher, W. Fletcher, E. Foreman, G. Freeze, J. Fitzsimmons, xT. Foster, J. Foster, xE. Foster, C. Gates, G. Gates, S. George, E. Gibaut, P. Gateison, G. Gordon, T. Griffin, J. Griffin, R. Griffin, F. Griffin, T. Harris, W. Havey, C. Havey, F. Havey, xV. Havey, L. Hill, D. Harnett, J. Hoskin, G. Harrison, W. Harrison, T. Hanrahan, M. Hakendorf, M. Johnson, R. Jonas, W. Joyce, J. Joyce, R. Joyce, xW. Jarrett, H. Jarrett, A. Jarrett, K. Kean, C. Kinnear, H. Kinnear, W. Kellett, A. King, C. Lillia, W. Lillia, A. Leslie, D. Leslie, G. Leslie, A. Levi, xF. Lamb.

A. King, C. Lilla, W. Lilla, A. Leslie, D. Leslie, G. Leslie, A. Levi, xL. Lamb, W. Lamb, xK. Lakie, J. Mooney, xG. May, L. Moller, A. Maguire, J. Moran, xJno. Murphy, xJas. Murphy, J. Man-

ning, xP. Marriott, H. Marriott, E. Marriott, F. Morris, P. Martinich, T. Moore, xS. McGuire, xR. McGuire, J. McGuire, xJ. McDowall, xP. McDonnell, W. McCartney, S. McCartney, F. McNeill, xJ. McMahon, M. McMahon, Jas. McMahon, R. McCulloch, xB. McCue, P. McLaren, G. McKinty, W. McKinty, H. McKechnie, C. McClusky, W. Naismith, C. Newcomb, D. O'Dea, xJ. O'Brien, xT. O'Brien, xW. O'Brien, D. O'Brien, A. Othen, R. O'Connor, E. Parks, C. Parker, A. Powell, E. Prendergast, J. Phelan, xG. Quinn, J. Quinn, S. Scobie, G. Sullivan, W. Shiels, R. Shiels, F. Smith, W. Shaw, J. Stebert, J. Talbot, G. Talbot, H. Wilson, H. Watson, W. Warren, xW. Wright, H. Wald, G. Rowland, J. Reilly, S. Ringberg, J. Robinson, W. Ringer. x Signifies killed.

The Mayor of Port Adelaide (Mr. J. Sweeney) occupied the chair, and among those present were his Grace the Archbishop, Very Rev. Prior Power, and Rev. Fathers Ronayne and McCaffrey, O.C.C., Rev. J. Hanrahan (Semaphore), Rev. Bros. Doyle (Principal), and Kenny, of the C.B.C. College, Mr. J. Price, M.P., Dr. E. W. Morris, Mr. Walter Hutley, of the Recruiting Committee, and Councillor Horne.

The Mayor briefly introduced the Archbishop and apologised for the absence of Mr. Jelley, M.L.C., and Mrs. Sweeney, who was ill.

The Archbishop then unveiled amid cheers the roll of honour, which was surrounded by the allied flags, the boys and people singing the National Anthem.

His Grace, before opening his address, expressed the sympathy of the Catholic people for Mrs. Sweeney in her illness and their wishes for her speedy recovery. He said a great many things occupied the public mind at present, many of local interest and some altogether outside the Commonwealth. Here at home for a long time past there had been discussion among

past there had been discussion among the farmers concerning the wheat pool and the Murray floods; and more recently they had the dreadful floods at Lismore, N.S.W. All these were more or less matters of public discussion, about which there were differences of opinion. The split in the Labour Party, and the prolongation of the life of the present Parliament, and the organic union between two parties and Scripture lessons in State schools were also matters of public discussion. These subjects and many more had led to discussion and differences of opinion, and they all had two sides to them. But the matter that brought them together that day was one in which there was no division and no difference of opinion. All people, no matter what their politics or creed, would come together to such a celebration as that in which they were taking part that afternoon; for an act of that kind was one of respect, love, and affection for the men who had left their homes freely and voluntarily to fight for their country. They had been and were still giving their best for the safety of those who remained behind and for the success of the British Empire. (Applause.) This was the third roll of honour recently unveiled at Catholic schools. That of the Christian Brothers' College was the first and another at the Sacred Heart College, Glenelg, followed. Now they had this roll with 154 names from a by no means large school. They were unanimous in the opinion that the Catholic people of South Australia had been and were still doing their duty as far as sending boys to the front was concerned. (Applause.) He (the Archbishop) had said at Glenelg, in the presence of the Governor, that between the C.B.C. and S.H.C. nearly 800 old scholars had been sent to the front, and his Excellency had remarked that that was a marvellous achievement. The record of the Port Adelaide School, if it did not surpass, came into close competition with these. The Christian Brothers' College had a large number of old boys, and the Sacred Heart College, if not so large, had still a large number. But the average attendance at the Marist Brothers' School, Port Adelaide, was only 90.

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School, Port Adelaide, was only 90, and a roll of 154 names was something to be proud of. (Applause.) It was not necessary for him to point out how nobly families in the district had done their duty. The Commissioner of Railways (Mr. McGuire) had sent four sons to the front, two of whom would never return. Another family had sent four to the front, of whom three had made the supreme sacrifice and another was a cripple. While they were proud of those who had done their duty their pride was mingled with sorrow and sympathy for their parents. Some people were so unkind as to say that the Catholic body was not doing its duty, and that they were disloyal to the Empire. To such people he would say, "Come and see our rolls of honour." (Applause.) That was a proud day for Port Ade-

elaide. All the boys whose names were on the roll were from the district and some had given their lives. They had done what they considered was the best act a man could perform, to give his life for his country. The great Dominican theologian, St. Thomas Aquinas, said that next to love of God came love of country. Their boys had shown their love of country by going to the front. He deeply sympathised with the parents and relatives of those who had given their lives. He was proud to be there to-day and show honour to what they had done. (Cheers.)

Mr. Price, M.P., in moving a vote of thanks to the Archbishop for performing the ceremony, said he would not touch on the public questions referred to by his Grace. They were there to honour those who had volunteered to do their duty for King and Empire. As far as Port Adelaide was concerned he was proud of the great number of men who had volunteered, and he thought it had done its duty equally with any town in the State. (Cheers.) There were many questions confronting the people, and within the past few days a new question had been raised. But as Mr. Hughes had not yet spoken, he would not touch on conscription beyond regretting that it should have been

not touch on conscription beyond regretting that it should have been raised in such a short space of time and at such a season, after they had been told that the decision of the referendum would not be interfered with. (Applause.) The roll of honour would hand down the names of those who had done their duty, and it must be pleasing to fathers and mothers to see the names of their sons there. Some would never return, but their parents would have the satisfaction of knowing that they went as free men to do their duty to King and country. It was sad to hear of one who had lost three sons; but another was returning wounded, and he hoped he would be spared to comfort his sorrowing mother. His own family had been more fortunate. Three of his brothers were at the front and had been wounded, and he was the only sound one left. He hoped the war would soon be over and the Allies victorious. He trusted they would never again see such a conflict. The people would, he hoped, rise and demand that it should never occur again. (Applause.)

Dr. Morris, in seconding the motion, said he had the greatest pleasure in doing so because some months ago, while sitting bedraggled in his tent in the sands of Egypt, he heard of the death of the late Archbishop, and had written the present Archbishop a letter of sympathy and of congratulation on his accession. They were lucky in having his Grace as Archbishop. (Applause.) He was sorry to notice 28 names starred on the list, and he believed one more was to be added. It was a dreadful thing, and there was not much of a silver lining to the war cloud at present. They must have sufficient men, money, and munitions. It should be an honour to young men to see their names go up on the roll. (Applause.) What was the use of the sacrifice of so many agonised fathers and mothers if they had not the men to take their place? Mr. Price had referred to Mr. Hughes raising the conscription issue again, and he could sympathise with what he said, though his point of view was not the same. In his opinion the Prime Minister had a constitutional means of getting the men he wanted,

means of getting the men he wanted, and it seemed to him a pity that he did not take it. (Cheers.) He was glad that his Grace had maintained the loyalty of Catholics. The rolls of honour at Glenelg and this at Port Adelaide showed that the members of that faith realised their responsibilities to the Empire and acted up to them. (Applause.)

The Archbishop, in acknowledging the vote of thanks, referred to the thoughtful act of Dr. Morris in sending him a letter of sympathy and congratulation in such circumstances as surrounded him in his tent in Egypt. Dr. Morris had come back from the actual seat of war; and all the medical skill of the physician was not yet able to deafen in his ears the dreadful sound of warfare at the front. He was a man who could stand up before any body of men and advise them to do their duty because he had done it himself. (Applause.)

Prior Power, in moving a vote of thanks to the Mayor, apologised for the absence of Commander Burford, who was engaged on official duty, and Dr. Benson, who had taken Dr. Morris' place at the front. This was a day of sad as well as joyful memories. They were glad to think their boys had done their duty so nobly. They heard a deal about shirkers walking the streets. He had not taken a census of the boys in the parish; but he knew from certain facts that nearly all who were fit or who had not good reasons for remain-

ing at home were at the front. (Applause.) They had a successful young men's Catholic club at Port Adelaide; but he and Bro. Barnabas and a few old men and boys who had to support aged parents or invalid sisters were all who were left. It was the same with their football and cricket clubs. When he looked round the church it made him lonely to see the absence of the young men with whom his relations had been friendly and intimate. There were few now left, and of these the vast majority had good reasons for remaining at home. (Cheers.) It had been his sad duty

sons for remaining at home. (Cheers.) It had been his sad duty to convey three times to Mrs. O'Brien the news of the death of her sons, and she had taken it like a Spartan or Roman mother. Her last son was serving in the King's navy, and would be here in a few days to console his mother. There was an added sadness on this occasion in the fact that it was probably the last public function at which the Mayor would preside. He and Mrs. Sweeney had been staunch and unflinching friends of the Catholic body through good and evil repute. They had heard with regret of Mr. Sweeney's retirement from his position. It was not the fault of the citizens, but was due to his desire for a rest. He took with him the best wishes of the Catholic body. They would be ungrateful if his services were not remembered. Others had spoken fair words to them and gone away and forgotten; but Mr. Sweeney was always with them, even when the cause of Ireland, from which country most of their people came, was not popular. Mr. Sweeney had not been ashamed to stand by them, and had never sneaked away or tried to explain his words. (Cheers.) They wished also to convey their deepest sympathy to the Mayoress in her illness and their hope that she would soon regain health and strength. (Applause.)

Mr. Geo. Clarke, in seconding the motion, said this function was one more in the long list of favours to them on the part of the Mayor. It was their intention to have the roll photoed, and those wishing to purchase copies could do so. He thanked those who had contributed to the cost.

The Mayor, in responding, expressed his acknowledgment of the kind words about himself and his wife. It was true that his association with Roman Catholics had been of the kindest nature, and they had begun early in his life—from his school days, in fact. In Australia there should be no distinction of creed and no room for religious strife. As Mayor he had laid down a chart in that respect which his successor would be compelled to follow. (Applause.) He did not wish to enter into the question of conscription, but

(Applause.) He did not wish to enter into the question of conscription, but the boys at the front were calling to them to do their duty. If he were the Prime Minister he would have had some backbone and have brought in legislation to get the men. He wished to thank the Catholics of Port Adelaide for all the kindness shown to him since he was first Mayor 12 years ago. There was no Catholic function at which he had not been received kindly, and very few at which he had not been present. (Applause.)

Selections by the Ozone Orchestra and songs by the Marist Brothers' scholars were rendered during the intervals in the speeches, and the proceedings closed with "God Save the King."

The visitors were afterwards entertained at afternoon tea by the Marist Brothers.

The Brothers offer their most grateful thanks to the following for their kind donations towards the roll of honour:—Mrs. Belton, Mr. Bowden, Mr. F. Colgan, Corporal Curtin, Mr. McGuire, Mr. M. Crowe, Mrs. Crowe, Mr. L. Crowe, Mr. Wilkins, Mrs. Crichton, Mrs. Moroney, Mrs. Coen, Mr. Doubrich, Mr. E. Danvers, Mr. G. Danvers, Mrs. Edgword, Mr. D. Fitzgerald, Mr. Fitzgerald, Mrs. Fitzgerald, Mr. Fletcher, Mrs. Foreman, Mrs. Freeze, Mr. George, Mrs. Gibant, Mrs. Griffin, Mrs. Harris, Mrs. Havoy, Mr. Hill, Mr. Harnett, Mr. Joyce, Mrs. Jarrett, Mr. D. Kinneer, Mr. B. Kinneer, Mrs. Lillia, Mr. J. Mills, Mrs. Moran, Mrs. Murphy, Mr. M. Murphy, Mr. Manning, Mrs. Marriott, Mrs. Martinich, Mrs. McLaren, Mr. T. Heise, Mr. A. Heise, Mr. O'Dea, Miss K. O'Brien, Miss W. O'Brien, Mrs. O'Connor, Mrs. West, Mrs. Quinn, Mr. Sullivan, Mrs. Shiels, Mr. Smith, Mrs. Shaw, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Renville, Mr. Warren, Mr. Rowland, Mr. Reilly, Mr. A. Ringer, Mrs. Grilla, Mrs. Dewar, Mrs. Woodall, Mr. R. Smith, Mr. Keating, Mr. P. McMahon, Mr. J. Hill, Mrs. Anderson, Mr. E. Emery, Mr. W. Casey, Mr. T. Tierney, Mr. G. Clark, Mr. V. Rogers, Mr. Edwards, and Mr. Talbot.

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