

HONORING THE BRAVE.

BAPTIST CHURCH MEMORIAL.

The memory of Messrs. Claude M. Perry and Bruce L. Godfree, late former members, have been fittingly honored by the St. Peter's Baptist Church, some months ago it was decided to add three rooms at the rear of the church, to be known as the soldiers' memorial buildings, to perpetuate the memory of the two men mentioned. The additions have been completed and the opening ceremony took place on Saturday afternoon in the presence of a large assemblage. The Rev. N. L. Bourke, of the North Adelaide Baptist Church, presided.

After the first verse of the "Song of Australia" had been rendered and the Rev. J. C. Martin had offered prayer, Brigadier-General Price Wear delivered an address. He congratulated the congregation of the church, mainly on having reached their objective, which marked a big step forward for the church. The idea of perpetuating the names of the two men who had given their lives for their country was a noble and an appropriate one. He trusted the sacrifice they had made would never be forgotten. (Applause.) The speaker referred to the importance of including the children and young people to join the church. The majority of young people seemed more inclined to participate than to attend church nowadays, although that did not apply to the St. Peter's church.

The Rev. N. L. Bourke paid a high tribute to the two men whose memory was being so fittingly honored. It was appropriate that the memorial buildings were to be used in connection with the Sunday-school, for childhood was the realm where more help was needed than in any other sphere of human activity.

Mr. A. V. Milton, treasurer of the church and superintendent of the Sunday-school, said they would always revere the names of Claude Perry and Bruce Godfree, and at the same time would never forget those of Arthur Thiele and Charlie Stealing, who had fortunately, after participating in the Great War, safely returned home. The members of the congregation had responded generously to the appeal for financial assistance. Last year the 100 odd members of the church had subscribed over £1000 for various purposes. (Applause.) The speaker paid a high tribute to the work accomplished by Miss Fahey in connection with the kindergarten, and on behalf of the teachers and scholars of the Sunday-school presented her with a handsome handbag.

Mr. Milton then opened the door of the new buildings, while the assemblage sang "Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow." The buildings consist of three rooms, the largest—which is to be used for the kindergarten—measuring 22 ft. by 20 ft. It is well equipped for the purpose for which it is to be utilized. The total cost of the buildings was about £800, of which nearly £400 has been subscribed. Messrs. Foster Bros. were the contractors. The building committee were: Messrs. J. R. Bowring, G. P. Curran, A. V. Milton, F. and A. W. Jones, J. Biles, W. Rowe, and A. Swanson, Mesdames J. R. Bowring and W. C. James and Miss Fahey.

At the conclusion of the opening ceremony, a fair, arranged by the ladies' committee, with Mesdames Bowring and James as convenors, was held. The boys' and girls' clubs attached to the church assisted. An orchestra, under Mr. R. Granger, rendered selections.

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