
In Memory.

MEMORIAL TABLET UNVEILED.

The Tocumwal Methodist Church was filled last Sunday afternoon with the relatives, friends and returned comrades of the late Corporal E. D. Bourchier and Private A. Batters, to witness the unveiling of the memorial tablet erected to their honor.

The service was conducted by the Rev. P. H. Curtis, of Berrigan.

After the singing of the National Anthem, the congregation continued standing while the Rev. Curtis unveiled the tablet. He briefly referred to the debt of all present to the two fallen soldiers, whose example and courage would be forever commemorated in the Church. Mention was made that on that very day three years ago (11th April, 1917) Private Batters laid down his life for King and Empire. Prayer was then offered for the bereaved families and friends. In the course of the address, which was based on the words "Well done, good and faithful servant," (Matthew xxv-21) the preacher, after touching upon the noble part paid by those who had responded to the call of Empire, said these men had borne witness to the true spirit of Christ, which was the spirit of love expressing itself in service and sacrifice on behalf of the weak and suffering, and exhorted all to emulate their example. In conclusion, he said that service, the last he would ever conduct as their minister, would always remain a proud and cherished memory, for being associated with such an occasion.

The singing of "Abide With Me" brought an impressive service to a close.

The tablet, which is handsomely constructed of Beechwood, bears the following chaste inscription:—
"To the Memory of Cpl. Evelyn Bourchier and Private Anthony Batters; died of wounds in France, 1917. Well done, good and faithful servant."
