

MEMORIAL AT PORT FAIRY.

In the presence of a large gathering on Sunday afternoon, the memorial to those who perished on the ill-fated steamer *Casino*, which was wrecked at Apollo Bay two years ago, after trading for 50 years with the Western District ports, was unveiled by Mrs. Melhuish, of Brighton, daughter of Captain Boyd, the first master of the vessel. The memorial, which incorporates the bell of the steamer, a barometer donated by Mr. E. W. Powling, and the propellor of the vessel, valued at £300, was erected by the Progress Association by subscriptions from former and present Port Fairy residents. It is situated in King George's square, in close proximity to the head office of the Belfast and Koroff Steam Navigation Co. The steamer *Coramba*, the successor to the *Casino*, was at the wharf opposite the memorial, and the flag at the company's office flew at halfmast.

The inscription on the memorial reads: "A lasting tribute to members of the crew of the s.s. *Casino*, who lost their lives when the vessel, which rendered fifty years' yeoman service to Port Fairy, was wrecked at Apollo Bay on 10th July, 1932; John Gilchrist Middleton, master; Orlando Peter Bennie, first mate; James Kirkpatrick, providore; Helena Lucy Gill, stewardess; Peter Murray, Hugh Mulholland and Michael Roley, A.B.'s; James Thompson, O.S.; John Owen and Thomas Clark, firemen."

One minute's silence was observed while the bell of the wreck was toll-

ed, and three wreaths, from Mrs. Melhuish, her mother and sister, and Mrs. Thompson, were placed on the memorial.

The Melbourne City Council has approved of a schedule of works for unemployment relief at a cost of £21,835.