

## IN MEMORIAM

### REV. JOHN SPOONER

"In loving memory of John Spooner parish priest 1889 to 1909, at rest January 11, 1920. R.I.P." The foregoing inscription is engraved on a marble memorial tablet in the sanctuary of Holy Trinity Church, Fortitude Valley, which was unveiled yesterday morning by the rector, Rev. S. Watkin.

The late Mr. Spooner was a highly respected priest of the Anglican Church, and during his ministrations at Fortitude Valley won the undying esteem of his large flock. This was evidenced by the large attendance at yesterday's service, the congregation embracing a number of old parishioners who knew the deceased priest intimately in days gone by. Amongst those who were present were the widow of the deceased, his son, and two daughters.

Prior to the unveiling of the tablet a procession was held, in which parish and society banners were carried by acolytes. The parish priest, Rev. S. Watkin, conducted the service, and presided at the Choral Eucharist held subsequent to the ceremony, after which prayers for the departed were recited.

Rev. A. G. Thompson preached the sermon, taking as his text, the "Te Deum." The godly fellowship of the Apostles and their glorious company, he said, were worthy of note and consideration, especially at the present time, for they brought before them the outstanding characteristics of the true saints of God.