KEITH IN FESTIVE MOOD

GALA DAYS IN BACK-TO CELEBRATIONS

£130 Raised During Four Days' Carnival

OPENING MAKIN MEMORIAL INSTITUTE—STREET PROCESSION— BACK-TO-SCHOOL, CHURCH, AND R.S.A. RE-UNIONS— SPORTS AFTERNOONS.

The Keith district was agog with the excitement and social success attending the Back-to re-unions and gala festivities arranged to celebrate the opening of the new Makin Memorial Institute last week. Keith can now boast the most up-to-date Institute Hall in the district, replete with dressing rooms, biograph accommodation, sliding curtains, and adequate stage facilities, and it seemed fitting that, as the Hall was dedicated to the memory of one of the district's best-known pioneer families, all former residents should be invited to return for the celebrations. In the porch of the new Hall is a tablet, bearing the inscription: "James Bain and Margaret Ann Makin Memorial Institute. Officially opened 26th March, 1936, by Sydney Ross Bain Makin." The celebrations were conducted throughout Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday of last week, and some idea of the success of the festival can be gathered from the fact that over £130 was raised without any undue call on the pockets of those invited to return.