

STURT STREET SCHOOL SOLDIERS.

ROLL OF HONOUR UNVEILED.

The Old Scholars' Association and the present scholars of the Sturt Street School claim to have raised one of the best rolls of honour in the State to the memory of the men who formerly attended the school and who are fighting or have fought for their country in the present war. The roll, which contains 450 names, and on which there is altogether room for 750, measures 20 ft. by 12 ft. It was made by James Marshall & Co., Limited, and comprises some panels of Queensland maple. It is estimated that altogether about 1,000 old boys from the school have enlisted, and it is probable that when all the names have been obtained a supplementary roll will have to be made. Of the 450 men honoured on the new board 62 have made the supreme sacrifice, and 10 have been decorated. The roll of honour was unveiled on Saturday afternoon by the Minister of Education (Hon. W. H. Harvey) in the presence of a large attendance of parents and the general public. The Director of Education (Mr. M. M. Maughan), the head master of the school (Mr. C. Bronner), the President of the Old Boys' Association (Mr. F. J. Mills), Cpl. H. B. Everett (an old scholar), one of the original 10th Battalion Anzacs who is home on furlough, the Hon. H. Tassie, M.L.C., and Mr. Gunn, M.P., accompanied by the Minister on the platform. The school children were marshalled in the playground, and they sang the National Anthem. Mr. Mills stated that the roll had been secured as the result of an effort by the old scholars, assisted by the head master and the school children.

The Minister said several of the Sturt School boys had received the Military Cross, the Military Medal, and other rewards for their bravery. Fully 20 per cent., and probably more, had been killed in action or had died of wounds. Names had been received for the roll from all parts of South Australia and from some of the other States. They should not forget the debt they owed to those who had given their lives, and to the others who were prepared to do so. He welcomed Cpl. Everett, and said South Australia and the Old Boys' Association might well be proud of him. Mr. Harvey then unveiled the honour board while the school children sang the "Song of Australia."

The Director of Education said it was always a pleasure for him to come to the Sturt Street School, where he had spent 10 years of his life. He impressed upon the children the fact that Germany had aimed at having Australia for her own, and that the Germans were now beginning to think that they could not win the war. They should be proud of their soldiers, who had largely been responsible for that change of opinion. During the past 12 months the State school children had raised nearly £20,000 for war purposes.

The committee entertained a number of guests at afternoon tea. The school drum-and-bugle band rendered selections during the proceedings. Early in the day the Old Boys' Association had entertained Cpl. Everett at luncheon at the Majestic Cafe.