

INVERLEIGH.

On Friday evening there was a large gathering of parents and friends at the Inverleigh School to witness the unveiling of the honor roll containing the names of the old scholars of the school who had volunteered for active service abroad during the war. The roll was presented by Mrs. A. F. Kelly, of Barwonleigh, and is an extremely handsome one; the frame made of the finest and most choice Australian woods, the plate of copper, and the names, which are very distinct, worked in copper. A beautiful Union Jack is carved at the top, and the carving and the decoration of the framework are most artistic. The chairman of the school board, Cr. J. McCallum, J.P., in an appropriate speech introduced Dr. T. P. Dunhill, who was to perform the opening ceremony. Dr. Dunhill said he was in Egypt with the Australians before they went to Gallipoli. They went through the severe system of drill to which they had not been accustomed splendidly and without a murmur. They were intellectual men, greatly interested in the wonderful country in which they found themselves. In their spare time one met them inspecting the tombs of the Kings and other ancient monuments, or conversing with people from whom they might obtain information regarding the country. Some evenings they would have their camp concerts. Then they commenced going away for the expedition to Gallipoli. Only a few at first, then more and more as the call came. The camp concerts ceased from that time. The men realised that the business they had come over the seas for had commenced. Then there was an interval, and after a time the first trains of wounded arrived from the front. He could not say too much in praise of the splendid and heroic spirit of those wounded Australians—their fine courage, the cheerfulness of all. Many of them were badly wounded, but the inquiry of all was, "Do you think it will be long

before we will be able to join our mates at the front?" They were men to be proud of. He had been with them, also, in Europe, and the better he knew them the more he thought of them. Anyone who had seen what he had seen could have but one opinion in the matter, and it was that everything must be done that it is possible to do to help those gallant fellow countrymen who were offering their lives freely and nobly in defence of their King and country. He felt it a great honor to have the unveiling of this roll, and he might say though he had seen many, he had never seen a finer one to those brave fellows who had been scholars at Inverleigh, and had heard their country's call, and responded to it. Dr. Dunhill then pulled the cord, and the Union Jack that covered the roll flew to one side. Cr. McCallum moved a vote of thanks to Mrs. Kelly for a thoughtful and kind gift. Rev. A. R. Campbell, in responding on behalf of Mrs. Kelly, said

responding on behalf of Mrs. Kelly, said that she considered it a privilege to have the opportunity of showing her appreciation of the men who had gone to the war. Cr. J. McDonald, J.P., moved a vote of thanks to Dr. Dunhill, whose time as a distinguished surgeon was so valuable, for coming so far to unveil the honor roll, and for the interesting and instructive address he had given them. Mr. F. S. Allen (head teacher) said that he felt for all time the honor roll would have a good effect on the scholars of the school.

After the unveiling of the honor roll an adjournment was made to the Mechanics' Institute, when the ceremony of crowning the Queen who had been successful in the competition arranged by the teachers of the school, took place. Each of the four Queens, attended by their maids of honor, in turn rendered a song in keeping with the country they represented: Miss Francie Roworth, "Rose" (England); Miss Eva McDonald, "Thistle" (Scotland); Miss Kate Sergeant, "Shamrock" (Ireland); and Miss Albie Gibson, "Wattle" (Australia). The final result of the voting left the "Rose" winner, with the "Thistle" second, the "Shamrock" third, and the "Wattle" close up. Miss Buxton also sang "Australia. We're Proud of Thee." Cr. J. McDonald performed the crowning ceremony, and after an appropriate address placed a glittering crown upon the head of Miss Fran-

cie Roworth, who was seated on her throne, and attended by her four maids of honor. Supper was afterwards served to all present. The amount received in one penny votes by the four Queens was £29/2/-.