

Rushes' Creek.

The unveiling ceremony of the Honor Roll at Baldwin School took place on Wednesday afternoon, when a large number of residents assembled for the occasion. The Manilla Citizens' Band was present, and rendered a programme of music. The unveiling address was delivered by the Rev. W. A. Thompson, while the unveiling ceremony was performed by Miss Coote. The honor roll is a neat piece of work and contains 14 names, four of which are teachers, viz., Messrs Farrel, Fuller, Gross, and Sullivan, while the remaining had been former pupils. The names are:—

*Baker, Hazel
Coote, William
Farrell, Timothy
Fuller, Ray
*Gross, Charles
Hatch, Frederick
*O'Neil, Patrick
Sullivan, James
*Thorne, Clemence
Thorne Henry
Trinder, Henry
West, Allen
Wicks, George
Wilkinson, Frank

*Killed in action

Mr M. Baker was voted to the chair by the pupils, and said he was pleased to see so many present. The funds which had provided the Honor Roll had all been collected by the school children. The names on the Honor Roll had been either teachers or ex-pupils of Baldwin School who had heard their country's call and had answered it. Many of the boys of both present and future will be able to look at the Honor Roll and be instilled with pride at those who had occupied the same desks at the school as themselves, and

the school as themselves, and who had fought and fell in the great war for the honor and glory of their country.

Mr Thompson said that although we might in time forget the boys who had fought for us we would never forget their action. He was reminded of two great countries on the frontiers of which there is not a fort and not a gun, where one nation's confidence in the other did away with the machines of warfare. He referred to the United States and Canada. That was the spirit that was needed between one nation and another in order to obtain a lasting peace. It had been said that the war had been fought in aid of peace. Sometimes it appeared as though the sacrifice made had been made in vain when we think of the every day strife going on between nation and nation and even amounting to civil strife. The Federal Government was providing money and land for the soldiers, but that was no payment for what the soldier had done. For

this country to get the benefit of what the men have fought and died for we must be united and live better lives, live more for others and less for self.

We must prove to the men who have come back that we honor them and realise what they had done, and by our actions unite ourselves into one great brotherhood and incidentally we shall become a better people and a better nation. The speaker concluded by quoting the following lines:—

Hark! I hear the tramp of thousands,

And of armed men the hum,

And of armed men the hum,
Lo! a nation's hosts have gathered
Round the quick alarming
drum,—

Saying, 'Come,
Freeman, Come,
Ere your heritage be waisted,' said
the quick alarming drum.

Let me of my heart take counsel,
War is not of life the sum,
Who shall stay and reap the
harvest

When the Autumn days have
come,

But the drum
Echoed, 'Come,
Death shall reap the braver
Harvest,'

Said the solemn-sounding drum
What if, 'mid the cannons' thun-
der,

Whistleing shot and bursting
bomb,
When my brothers fall around
me.

Should my heart grow cold
and numb,

But the drum
Answered, 'Come,
Better there in death united than
in life a recreant.—Come !'

Mr G. Bignall said that it gave
him much pleasure to see so
many present on such a special
occasion to do honor to the men
who had left Baldwin school,
and played their part in the
great war

Mr J Brady said that the Hon-
or Roll would show to the
younger generation the spirit of
the men who have gone before
them

The Teacher (Mr Fuller) thank-
ed Mr Thompson for his address.
The ceremony that day would
live in the history of the school.
He also thanked the band for
giving up their half holiday and
making the trip out. He assured
them that their presence at Bal-
dwin School that day would be

remembered. He wished to con-
vey the thanks of all to Mr
Odell who had provided the
conveyance which had brought
the visitors there that day

After the unveiling ceremony,
the ladies invited at present to
partake of sumptuous refresh-
ment which were tasty and
much appreciated

The Rev. W. A. Thompson and
messrs Sutton and Odell briefly
responded.

The school was attractively
decorated with flags.