

CONFIRMATION AND DEDICATION OF MEMORIAL TABLETS.

St. John's Church of England held a very large congregation at the service at 11 a.m. on Sunday, 9th Dec., the special occasion being the confirmation of 22 candidates and also the unveiling and dedication of the two recently erected memorial tablets—one being in memory of the late Canon R. G. Knox, and the other in memory of the late Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Callow and their son Fred.

Before the confirmation service commenced, the Bishop of Newcastle, (Dr. Francis de Witt Batty), who was attended by Ven. Archdeacon Woodd and Rev. Cliffe M. O. Stretch, proceeded to the southern door for the unveiling and dedication of the tablets.

Later, during the service the Bishop paid tribute to the late Canon Knox for his loyalty and devotion as Parish Priest, and to the late Mr. R. E. Callow, for his services as organist and choirmaster.

The tablets read as follows:—

"To the glory of God and in memory of Robert George Knox, B.A.,

Rector of Stroud, 1906, till his death, June 18, 1925.

"Erected in affectionate remembrance by the church people of the Parish of Stroud."

"To the glory of God and in memory of Richard Edward Callow, for 30 years choirmaster and organist in this church, who died July 14, 1933, and of his wife Christian Callow, died August 15, 1932, and their son Fred, died August 24, 1926."