Spicer Memorial Sunday School

There were few schools so rich in choice young manhood as Spicer Memorial. Those who have been privileged to labour in this part of the vineyard will not likely forget the fine company of young fellows who met in Sunday school with a regularity that was most enheartening. To hear them sing and see them march from the main hall to their own finely-decorated classroom was something worth while, and will live in many memories. But now | Changes! Yes, gigantic, and then unthought-of changes. The position is surely "A bitter sweet, a sor-row full of joy." Between seventy and eighty of these noble young men have responded to the Empire's call; seven of them have died in defence of the great principles for which our nation and the Allies are fighting. And, let it be said that these are not simply names which had some remote association with school and Church, but they stand in most cases for a very close and

warm attachment, and in some instances for men who would hold rank among the leaders in Church and State. Fine, promising material! I was privileged as an old-time teacher in the school to be present at Sunday evening's service, and we only regretted that the Rev. Wm. A. Dunn, of Kapunda, could not be with us. His work among the young men of the class will not be forgotten. The service was one of the most inspiring it has ever been my good fortune to attend, and there is no doubt that the overflowing congregation felt its power for it could be FELT.

The Governor (Sir H. L. Galway, K.C.M.G., D.S.O.), Brigadier-General Forsyth, D.S.O., Lieut.-Colonel Weir, and others of military fame were present. The Mayor of St. Peters and the members of the Council were in the congregation, and also many leading people from various parts of the city. Yes, and even more—the mothers.

people from various parts of the city. Yes, and even more—the mothers, fathers, relatives, and friends of the soldier boys were present. Our hearts were full of sympathy for them, and we were praying that God would be very near those who were mourning the lads who would never come back. But above all the presence of Christ was realized in the service. Governor's address was helpful and in perfect harmony with the spirit of the service. We ought surely to be grateful that the King's representative in South Australia is so definitely and decidedly Christian. Sunday evening's message added yet another to his many fine utterances. Two memorial windows were unveiled in honour of the men who have enlisted, and these windows are well worthy of inspection. They may safely be pronounced beautiful, and those who intend erecting memorials should first see the East Adelaide windows. There could not be a more appropriate and artistic way of commemorating the work of our boys. The Spicer Memorial church has been enriched and beautified by this latest addition. The pastor of the Church gave an address that stirred the congregation. It was a great occasion, and the sermon was worthy the occasion. One cannot understand the attitude of the daily Press toward an occasion of this sort. The address of the Governor was reported fully, and it deserved to be, but practically nothing else was mentioned. The same number of people gathered together for some comparatively unimportant occasion would likely receive detailed attention and ample space. Surely a service such as Sunday's was worthy a column of any daily paper. The only reason for desiring this would be that it might act as a stimulant. Apart from such desire, there would be no legitimate reason for expecting "space." It was a fitting thing that Colonel A. C. Catt. V.D., should read the honour roll. Few men have given themselves more loyally to the work, and his heart beats with a holy passion for the hundreds that have been linked with the school. The service of praise was in charge of Mr. G. T. Griffiths, Mus. Bac.; Miss Muriel Cheek, A.M.U.A., sang "I know that

Cheek, A.M.U.A., sang "I know that my Redeemer liveth" (Handel). This, together with the choir and a congregation that was full of response made a service that will live in the hearts of all who were present. Mr. A. T. Sutton the secretary of the school) has originated many fine schemes and many that have meant much work and anxiety, but unselfish service could not have received finer reward than it did on Sunday evening. April 29. We thank you for much, Mr. Secretary, but for nothing more than the privilege of such a service.

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