

## ELIZABETH STREET PRACTISING SCHOOL

### ROLL OF HONOR

#### UNVEILED BY GOVERNOR

A ceremony of great interest to all people in Tasmania, as well as Hobart, took place yesterday at 2 p.m., when His Excellency the Governor with Lady Newdegate unveiled a Roll of Honor to pupils, past pupils, and teachers of the school who had gone to the war, and many of whom had made the supreme sacrifice for their King and Country.

There was a very large attendance of parents and friends surrounding the quadrangle, and in the quadrangle itself over 1000 scholars and youngsters were present. On the platform of the school to receive the visiting dignitaries were Canon Stoddard and the ladies, Atkinson and Dupan, Mr. J. C. Patton, Mr. George Kerr and Mrs. Kerr, Mr. Atkinson, Mrs. G. V. Brooks (wife of head master), Mr. W. T. McCoy (Director of Education), and Mr. G. V. Brooks (head master).

The children made an interesting and very pretty picture as they marched in from the various class rooms, accompanied by their teachers, and arranged themselves in regimental form in the square, centred by the school band, which played inspiring music as the assembling took place. The band and the musical part of the ceremony generally was under the able baton of Mr. Gordon Hays, one of the head masters, who seems to have been able to induce with great success his young folk with musical enthusiasm.

The Governor was accompanied by the Hon. the Lady Newdegate and Captain Booth, A.D.C.

After the platform party were seated the children sang very sweetly one verse and chorus of Eliza's "Land of Hope and Glory." Mr. Brooks then asked His Excellency in a word to unveil the roll. He expressed the pleasure which it gave him to do so, and said that he would only like to add one word and that was that the honor roll was entirely the work of parents of pupils or past pupils of the school. Mr. H. H. Curzon had generously given the blackwood of which the board was made, Mr. Charles Spook had made the board, Mr. Charles Watson had done the carving, and Mr. George Hughes had done the writing. (Applause.)

His Excellency then unveiled the board which proved to be an exceedingly handsome piece of work of three large panels with a five headed and a scroll bearing the motto "For God, King and Country." It contained 182 names, 22 of which have fallen at the front.

The Governor, in a few appropriate remarks, said that he was sure they must be pleased to see the names of so many connected with the school who had given their services, and, in many cases, their lives for their King, country, and Empire. It was a noble thing to have done. Many had fallen, and it reminded them how absolutely indispensable it was for men or women to make plans for the future unless Divine assistance was given to the plans which were made. God grant that the others would return. It was a noble thing to do what one's duty told one to do. These men had given their lives and service for their country and their King because they thought in this great struggle it was the right thing to do, and the names of those whose lives had been lost would never be forgotten. They all felt that the Allies were waging a righteous and just war, and one thing would never be forgotten in the Em-

righteous and just war, and one thing would never be forgotten in the Empire, the names and the deeds of those who had come from the various schools. When they looked at that roll of honor it would be an incentive to all of them, so long as life lasted, to do what in their minds and hearts they considered to be their duty. (Applause.)

The proceedings closed by the children singing very impressively two verses of the hymn "Now the Laborer's Task is Over," and afterwards the National Anthem.

Three cheers were given for the Governor and for the Lady Newdegate as they departed. The Governor and party had, prior to the ceremony, been shown round the school by Mr. Brooks, and expressed himself as greatly pleased with the children and the equipment of the school, and also the high efficiency of the staff.