

Armidale Methodist Honor-Roll.

THE UNVEILING CEREMONY.

The spacious Methodist Church at Armidale was crowded on Sunday afternoon, when the Honor Roll was unveiled. Many adherents of other denominations were present, and the choirs of the various Protestant churches combined for the special occasion. The service was a very beautiful and impressive one, highly appropriate music being a particularly fine feature.

The Rev. H. E. Andrews officiated, and with him on the dais were Lieut.-Col. H. F. White, C.M.G., D.S.O., C. de G., C.O. the 33rd infantry, who performed the unveiling ceremony, the Mayor (Ald. Purkiss) and the deputy Mayor (Ald. Curtis). The Mayor and deputy Mayor are also officials of the church.

The service opened with the doxology, invocation by the Rev. Andrews, and the Lord's Prayer, after which Kipling's Reccessional hymn was sung by the congregation. Mr. S. A. C. McLeod most feelingly rendered the magnificent vocal solo, "The Trumpeter." A reading of Scripture (Hebrews 11) by the Rev. Andrews following, and next the hymn composed by the Rev. P. L. Black, "Our Heroic Dead." The inspiring conception in this beautiful composition was very apropos the occasion. A special prayer by the Rev. Andrews was followed by the choir giving a splendid interpretation of the anthem, "What are These?" Bishop How's well-known hymn, "For all the Saints who from their labors rest," was followed by the vocal solo, "Crossing the Bar," which was impressively sung by Mr. C. A. Hoy.

The most important portion of the service then came on.

The Mayor introduced the Colonel to the assemblage and, in doing so, stated that the trustees of the church had decided to accord Mr. White this honor not because he was the chief military officer of the district and a good citizen, but because of his personal association with the very men who were figuring on the Honor Roll. It seemed to them peculiarly fitting that the men who had fought under his gallant leadership

peculiarly fitting that the men who had fought under his gallant leadership should now perform the ceremony which would immortalise their names.

Col. White then operated the mechanism that stripped the roll of the Union Jack that had covered it, and in a brief but aptly worded address expressed his pleasure at the honor accorded him and his keen interest in all that pertained to the soldiers. The men on that roll had come forward voluntarily at their country's call, and had played their part in upholding the world's freedom. He spoke with strong feeling, as he had had the privilege of being associated with them in their hour of trial and he knew they had proved themselves men.

The Rev. Andrews read out the names on the Roll as follows: Dead: Thomas Russell Jones, George Montgomery, Frank Gordon Parr, Hy. Norman Sims, Sydney Woodrow. Living: H. B. Cooper, Clifton Cooper, E. A. Crossman, Walter Drew, A. Bernard Curtis, Hy. H. Denning, George Dye, Harold Fawcett, A. Horner Fletcher, E. Horner Fletcher, M.C., A. M. Gardiner, John W. Gardiner, Charles Godfrey, Archibald Gray, William H. Hooker, M. McClenaghan Hamilton, Arthur L. Moore, Wilfred Miller, John S. Parr, Charles Purkiss, Elmer Scotton, Roy Scotton, Daniel John Sims, G. Leslie Tarr, M.M., F. Stanley Woodcock, A. J. Woodcock, F. W. Woodcock, Reginald G. Woodcock, Haywood Woodward, M.M., M.M.

The reading was following by a bugler sounding the Last Post.

Mr. Curtis, as the chief financial steward of the church, announced the financial condition of the memorial. In addition to the Honor Board there was to be a memorial organ, and £250 was the goal aimed at. Amounts promised and paid totalled £78/2/, amounts to be paid £78, and that afternoon's offertory £34/11/8, making a grand total of £190. Mr. Curtis said he had sufficient faith in the members of the church to think that the remainder would shortly be subscribed. In fairness to Mr. W. F. Brown, who had carved the board, it should be stated that two or three additional names had to be added, this slightly upsetting the spacing. Mr. Curtis also expressed his pleasure in having Col. White present, and commended the trustees' wise selection. The Colonel had been honored by the King,

Colonel had been honored by the King, and now he (the Colonel) had honored them.

The service concluded with the Anthem, "King of Kings," the hymn, "Onward, Christian Soldiers," the Benediction, and the National Anthem.

Oecilia Pratt, of Annanvale, has reported to the police that whilst she was in Broadway, Glebe, a thief took her handbag, containing £52/5/.

Shopbreakers entered the shop of Mrs. Brack, who conducts a drapery business in Liverpool-street, Sydney, under the name of "Helen," and stole about £200 worth of drapery.

During the voyage of the schooner Valmarie, from Clarence River, a seaman named Chilcott, who signed on at Sydney, was killed by a fall from the deck house. The body was buried at sea.

Mr. Arthur Herman Feez, K.C., a well-known Queensland barrister, has been admitted to the New South Wales Bar.

A large quantity of machinery is being sent to Papua by the Persian Oil Company for the purpose of boring for oil.

The price of butter in New Zealand for the winter has been fixed locally at 2/7 per lb. cash.

Since Thursday several additional dismissal notices have been issued to the employees at the North Ipswich railway worksheds. Some of the dismissed men have been in the service for upwards of 20 years.

If the proposed solar radiation station is established in Australia, it will be possible to accurately forecast weather conditions for weeks ahead.

Thieves entered hotels at Palmerstan North, N.Z., and robbed the visiting bowlers of £200.