

of views of the college. The address, which was signed by 10 prefects, read as follows:—
 Our Dear Head Master—In making this presentation, the boys of Prince Alfred College wish to show their deep appreciation of the great and noble work you have accomplished during your long term of 37 years as head master. To you the many boys who have passed through this college owe a debt which they can never repay, but for which they hold you in love, honour, and highest esteem. Under your able direction and guidance the school has attained its present position, and it is the ambition of every boy, past and present, to do his best to keep up the honour of the old school, for which you have laboured so long. It is our earnest prayer that both you and Mrs. Chapple may long be spared to enjoy your well-earned rest.

The Family.
 Mr. Chapple married Miss Elizabeth Sarah Hunter, and the couple had a family of four sons and two daughters. It is questionable whether the family does not hold a record for university degrees. All of them have graduated at the Adelaide University, and several of them have gained additional distinctions at Cambridge, London, and elsewhere. The graduate list of the Adelaide University contains the following names:—Alfred Chapple, B.Sc., Ernest Chapple, B.Sc., Frederic John Chapple, B.Sc., M.B., Ch.B., Harold Chapple, B.Sc., Marian Chapple, B.A., and Phoebe Chapple, B.Sc., M.B., B.S. Mr. Chapple was only twice out of the Commonwealth after he first came to South Australia, and that was when he took holidays in 1901 and 1920, and went to England. In December, 1918, advice was received by Mr. Chapple that his daughter Dr. Phoebe Chapple, who was one of the first women doctors to go to the front in the Great War—had been awarded the Military Medal. She was the first lady doctor to win the distinction, and received the decoration for distinguished bravery under fire. The Germans in air machines had swooped down and machine-gunned a trench in France which the W.A.A.C.'s had provided for shelter against attacks. Fifteen were killed quite close to Dr. Phoebe Chapple, as well as many others in other parts of the trench. Regardless of her own safety, the lady continued to attend to the needs of the wounded, and showed great courage and devotion.

Honoured by the King.
 Shortly after his retirement Mr. Chapple was made a Companion of the Order of St. Michael and St. George. In 1917, as a tribute to the long service of their old head master, the old scholars of P.A.C., instructed Mr. Gustave A. Barnes, of the Adelaide National Art Gallery, to model a bust of the veteran educationist. The work was well executed in bronze. After having been on view in Melbourne, it was appropriately placed in the big school-room at the college.
 Prior to his departure to England for a holiday in March, 1920, Mr. Chapple was given a commission to represent the Council of Churches in the old country.

Worthy Tributes.
 The Prince Alfred College Committee of the Methodist Conference, when Mr. Chapple gave notice of his intention to retire, adopted the following resolution:—
 While granting the request of Mr. Chapple to retire from the head mastership of Prince Alfred College at the end of 1914, this committee place on record their devout gratitude to Almighty God for the blessings which have accompanied his labours. They desire to testify to their admiration of the noble work which the head master has accomplished during the tenure of his high office for the past 37 years. The college buildings, which during those years have been tripled in size at a cost of between £35,000 and £40,000—towards which gifts and endowments amounting to £20,000 have been received—are Mr. Chapple's visible material monument. A more precious memorial is to be found in the training—physical, mental, moral, and religious—received by the 4,700 boys who have come under his care—a training which has uplifted and influenced for good the life of his State. More than 250 of these scholars have graduated at the University, many with distinction, and carrying off its highest rewards. While preserving the distinctive character of a Methodist college, the head master's leadership has always been on broad and Catholic lines, and consequently the institution has commanded the confidence and support of members of all other denominations. We are proud to record that Mr. Chapple's qualities as an educationist have been recognised in his election for many years past as a member of the council of the University, and in his being chosen ever since 1882 as Warden of the University. This committee trust that Mr. Chapple may long enjoy his well-earned retirement, and that he may have the happiness of witnessing the continued and expanding usefulness of the college to which he has ungrudgingly devoted the best years of his life and the welfare of which is so near his heart.

It was also resolved to present him upon his retirement with £1,000, in recognition of his great services to the college. The Prince Alfred Collegians' Association, at its 1913 annual meeting, placed on record its high appreciation of Mr. Chapple's work.

METHODISTS' SYMPATHY.
 At the session of the Methodist Conference on Saturday morning, the President (Rev. W. A. Langsford) expressed the deep sympathy of the Conference towards the family of the late Mr. Chapple in their bereavement, and the delegates stood in silence as a mark of respect.

OLD STUDENT'S APPRECIATION.
 The President of the Methodist Conference (the Rev. W. A. Langsford) on Sunday night said he much regretted to learn of the death of Mr. Chapple. He was a student at Prince Alfred College when Mr. and Mrs. Chapple first arrived in the State. Mr. Chapple was a most successful educationist and extremely kind to all those under his care. "There are thousands of young men in the State," remarked Mr. Langsford, "who have a very great affection for him."



A BELOVED HEAD MASTER.

In the making and the carrying through of England's best purposes the public schools and playing grounds of Rugby, Eton, and Harrow find a noble sphere of action, and such men as the late Dr. Arnold and Dr. Temple exercise probably a more potent and abiding influence than the pulpit orator or statesman. By awakening and training moral and spiritual perceptions in the impressionable years of boyhood, they ensure, for the benefit of the nation and the whole of humanity, the consecrated service of large numbers of bright, capable, and manly souls, whose careers incite increasing numbers of men to emulation. What such teachers have done and are doing for the Mother Country, the head masters of many colleges and schools are performing with equal zeal and unselfishness for the Commonwealth; and among them no one merits higher place in public esteem than the ex-head master of Prince Alfred College, Mr. Frederick Chapple, C.M.G., B.A., B.Sc., whose death, in his 79th year, is announced this morning. On his arrival in South Australia in April, 1876, to succeed Mr. J. A. Hartley as principal of the College, Mr. Chapple set himself most diligently to the discharge of his important tasks, and to better qualify himself for them by studying to understand and sympathize with Australian sentiment, and the newer views of liberty and political and social actualities, which differentiate Australians from Britons of the Homeland. Having learned rightly to exalt his vocation, Mr. Chapple soon adapted himself to colonial conditions, and earned the confidence, not only of the clergy and principal laymen of the Methodist Church, but of the citizens generally. Recognising that South Australia was still educationally in a callow stage, he accounted it a privilege to devote much of his time and energy to assist in forwarding the cause of higher education through the medium of the University. His services, extending over 40 years, to that institution, were of the greatest value.

An enduring monument to his eminent capacity as a schoolmaster, and his fine organizing powers as head of a flourishing and ever-extending College, is the well-designed group of scholastic buildings which occupy spacious grounds in Kent Town; but, as was eloquently recorded in the resolution adopted by the Prince Alfred College Committee on his retirement from the post of head master, "a more precious memorial is to be found in the training—physical, mental, moral, and religious—received by the 4,700 boys who have come under his care—a training which has uplifted and influenced for good the life of this State." Mr. Chapple was a born teacher of boys. He won their trust and affection, and he tempered strict justice with tactful consideration, and encourage-

ments to worthy endeavour. He gathered around him a staff of capable assistants who were thoroughly loyal in their attachment to him, and he commanded without effort the unwavering respect of the parents of his youthful charges. His sterling scholastic attainments and ability to impart knowledge were used unsparingly for the upbuilding of the college, but he freely gave out of a full heart's experiences something more precious than intellectual learning. His main aim was to develop the qualities of true manhood; and this was achieved by personal example as well as precept. Mr. Chapple's unflinching cheerfulness, affability, freshness of outlook, and "high thinking" were inspired by strong and simple Evangelical faith, which, combined with strong devotion to the cause of vital Christianity, was not limited by any theological creed or church system. His life and works have been abundantly fruitful of good, and the sincere condolences which will be extended to his widow and family, by the community which knew his worth, will be attended by the consoling reflection that his labours will never cease to be a benediction, and that his highly talented sons and daughters are following in his steps.



A GREAT EDUCATIONIST.

DEATH OF MR. FREDERIC CHAPPLE.

NEARLY 40 YEARS AT PRINCE ALFRED COLLEGE.

One of South Australia's most esteemed citizens, Mr. Frederic Chapple, B.A., B.Sc., C.M.G., died on Friday evening at his home, Parade, Norwood, after a prolonged illness.

For nearly 40 years Mr. Chapple held a conspicuous place in the educational activities of the State as the headmaster of Prince Alfred College, and for a similar period was warden of the senate of the University of Adelaide. Mr. Chapple relinquished the former position, signally honored, in 1914, and had since then been able to enjoy the leisure of a well-earned retirement, though he retained his association with the administrative side of the University until August last year, and he was also glad to make his active services available to a number of public movements and institutions until, acting on medical advice, he



Mr. F. Chapple, C.M.G.

found it necessary to give up work of that kind and rest more. For some months he had gradually been falling in strength. The news of Mr. Chapple's death, which occurred at the age of 78 years, will be received with profound regret, not only throughout South Australia, but wherever Prince Alfred Collegians are scattered, in all parts of the Commonwealth and abroad, as his passing means the severance of a link between thousands and the days of their boyhood. He was a man of sterling character and personal qualities which endeared him to one and all. During his long period of stewardship at Prince Alfred College he strove hard and successfully to inculcate in his pupils the sentiments of truth, honor, and right dealing, and to equip them to take their places confidently in the ranks of the world's workers. The tangible results of his efforts and influence were in themselves a fitting reward, and were most gratifying to him. During his regime the college made wonderful progress, and after his retirement he was proud to watch its continued development and success.

Mr. Chapple was born in London in 1845, and educated at the University of London, where he obtained honors in physiology (human and comparative) and in logic and moral philosophy. He took first-class degrees in both arts and science, and after completing his graduate's course became a tutor at the Wesleyan Training College, Westminster. In 1876 he accepted an invitation to come to South Australia as headmaster of the Prince Alfred College, in which office he was third in the line of succession. Mr. S. Fiddian was the first, and he occupied the position for only two years. Then Mr. J. A. Hartley was appointed, and he acted for five years, retiring in order to become Inspector-General in the Education Department. Mr. Chapple arrived in Adelaide in April, 1876, accompanied by Mrs. Chapple, their elder son (Dr. Fred Chapple), and two daughters. His second son was born two days after Mr. and Mrs. Chapple landed. Prince Alfred College was a comparatively small place in those days, as only the central block had been erected. There were 137 boys in attendance, including 27 boarders. Mr. S. Churchward was the second master when he arrived, and was followed in succession by Mr. Andrew Scott, Mr. J. T. Sumter, Mr. W. R. Bayly (now headmaster), and Mr. J. E. Langley. During Mr. Chapple's regime the two wings of the main edifice were erected, also the whole of the outbuildings, including the gymnasium, chemistry department, and grandstand; and among the improvements effected was the provision of a costly iron fence round the ground. Many students who have since had brilliant careers in various branches of science, the learned professions, commerce and politics, passed through his hands as headmaster, and he always maintained a keen interest in their subsequent doings. Mr. Chapple took great pride in the large number of his "old boys" who served their country in the Great War, not a few of whom won special distinctions for conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. It was impossible to over-estimate the influence which, through the 4,500 pupils who passed through the college between 1876 and the end of 1914, he exercised on the life of the community.

When Mr. Chapple decided to retire from what was virtually his life work, the college committee, on the motion of Sir Samuel Way, seconded by the Hon. Alfred Catt, adopted the following resolution:—"While granting the request of Mr. Chapple to retire from the headmastership of Prince Alfred College at the end of 1914, this committee place on record their devout gratitude to Almighty God for the blessings which have accompanied his labors. They desire to testify to their admiration of the noble work which the headmaster has accomplished during the tenure of his high office for the past 37 years. The college buildings, which during those years have been tripled in size at a cost of between £35,000 and £40,000—towards which gifts and endowments amounting to £20,000 have been received—are Mr. Chapple's visible material monument. A more precious memorial is to be found in the training—physical, mental, moral, and religious—received by the 4,700 boys who have come under his care—a training which has uplifted and influenced for good the life of this State. More than 250 of these scholars have graduated at the University, many with distinction, and carrying off its highest rewards. While preserving the distinctive character of a Methodist college, the headmaster's leadership has always been on broad and catholic