

## MEMORIAL WINDOW UNVEILED

### Three Soldier Brothers.

In the Soldiers' Memorial Chapel in St. George's Cathedral yesterday morning, a memorial window to the brothers Foss who were killed in the Great War was unveiled by the Very Rev. Dean Moore. The stained glass window is one of a group on the east wall of the chapel and the scene depicted is the Prophet Isaiah foretelling the coming of the Kingdom of Christ when the plough will take the place of the sword. At the top of the window is a vision of the New Jerusalem.

The window was provided for under the will of the late Miss Maria Burgess, an aunt of the soldiers commemorated. Already there is a brass plate in the cathedral to these three men placed there by their mother and sister.

Captain Cecil Maitland Foss, M.C., 28th Batt., died of wounds in France on August 11, 1916, aged 25 years. Second Lieut. Henry Clinton Foss, 28th Batt. (late 10th Australian Light Horse Regiment), mentioned in dispatches, was killed in action in France on May 3, 1917, aged 28. Corporal Ernest Cecil Foss, 11th Batt., was killed in action in France, on January 3, 1918, aged 32.

"What shall it profit a man if he gain the whole world and lose his own soul?" were the words from which the Dean spoke. The Gospel of the day, he said, spoke of the storm on the lake when Christ calmed the fears of the disciples, and taught them that God's servants ought not to be frightened. If there was work for men to do the Saviour would see them through. The Church, today, did not seem to count for much. She did not own newspapers and wireless and did not seem to sway public opinion. All the same, Christian idealism was a very powerful influence. The value of truth in contracts, he said, was the main motive which in the first place impelled the people of the British Empire in the Great War and this ideal, still was the motive today. It was evidenced in the condemnation of the outrages dishonesty and cruelty of Italy in Abyssinia, and the eagerness to pick a quarrel by Japan in China. And though Britain might seem powerless in such situations yet her sentiment of abhorrence at such things was clear proof that Christian idealism still held the British people.

On that morning the worshippers had gathered solemnly yet gratefully to dedicate a memorial to three young men who, in carrying out high ideals for the race, were called to lay down their lives on the altar of their country. The loss was irreparable judged by ordinary standards, but judged by the values of truth and service the gain completely outweighed the loss. Here was an inspiring example of devotion to a high ideal. The brothers Foss had left behind

ideal. The brothers Foss had left behind a fragrant memory and a noble example of service for the human race which would be handed down to generations to come.