



CITY OF NEW PLYMOUTH

---

# Official Opening

*of*

War Memorial Hall  
Library and Museum Building

*by*

His Excellency the Governor-General  
The VISCOUNT COBHAM, G.C.M.G., T.D.

---

NEW PLYMOUTH

14th JULY, 1960

*Reception of*

THEIR EXCELLENCIES  
THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL AND LADY COBHAM

His Worship the Mayor and Mayoress—Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Honnor  
The Town Clerk—Mr. H. N. Johnson

*Royal Salute and Inspection of Guard of Honour. (Unit drawn from the  
1st Battalion, Wellington West Coast and Taranaki Regiment.)*

*Hymn:*

ABIDE WITH ME!

Abide with me! fast falls the eventide;  
The darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide!  
When other helpers fail, and comforts flee,  
Help of the helpless, O abide with me!

Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day;  
Earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away;  
Change and decay in all around I see:  
O Thou who changest not, abide with me!

*Prayer:*

The Ven. Archdeacon Gavin, E.D.

His Worship the Mayor—Mr. A. G. Honnor.

The President of the New Plymouth Branch of the Returned Services'  
Association—Mr. A. Castelli.

The Hon. W. T. Anderton—Minister of Internal Affairs.

His Excellency the Governor-General, The Viscount Cobham, G.C.M.G., T.D.

# Ceremony

---

Dedication by the Ven. Archdeacon Gavin, E.D.

Last Post and One Minute's Silence.

Reveille.

First Verse of "God Save the Queen."

---

His Worship the Mayor, on behalf of the Architects and Builders, will present His Excellency with a key and formally request him to open the building.

Following the opening of the building the Governor-General and the Official Party will move through the Library to the Ariki Street foyer where His Excellency will unveil the Memorial Feature.

After the Unveiling the Next-of-Kin, Returned Servicemen and Women and the general public will be invited to proceed to the Ariki Street entrance to file past the Memorial Feature proceed upstairs and leave by the Brougham Street entrance after passing through the Museum.

*In the event of the weather being wet* the Next-of-Kin and invited guests will be seated in the War Memorial Hall and will enter the building from Brougham Street.

Returned Servicemen and Women will assemble in the Museum.

The Official Party will be seated on the stage of the War Memorial Hall.

Following the presentation of a Key to His Excellency the Official Party will move downstairs to the Memorial for the Unveiling.

Next-of-Kin will proceed downstairs to inspect the Memorial followed by Returned Servicemen and Women and leave by the Ariki Street entrance.

Invited guests will move to the Lecture Hall and Mezzanine Floor after the Returned Servicemen and Women have left the Museum.

---