

In our great sympathy for the next-of-kin of the "Missing," we reproduce by permission of Sir Reginald Blomfield a photograph of his drawing of the Menin Gate Memorial, together with a description of what it will be when completed.



HALL OF MEMORY. MENIN GATE.
IN COURSE OF ERECTION BY WAR GRAVES COMMISSION.

The materials used are Enville Marbrier Stone, small red Belgian bricks and reinforced concrete in the foundations and vault.

The Memorial consists of a Hall of Memory 120 ft. long by 60 ft. wide covered in by a coffered arch in a single half-elliptical span. At either end are two archways 30 ft. wide by 45 ft. high with straight arches over openings for the pavement on either side 11 ft. wide by 12 ft. high.

Between the central and side arches are engaged columns carrying a Doric entablature and over the central arch is a large panel for the dedicatory inscriptions.

Over the side entrances are enriched panels. Above the inscription panels on the outer side there is a large recumbent Lion; on the side facing the town a Sarcophagus with flag and wreath.

In the centre of the two sides, broad staircases lead up to the top of the ramparts and to loggias running the whole length of the building. On the other side the Memorial rises directly out of the moat and a broad causeway, 70 ft. wide, carries the road running through the archway across the moat into the town.

The names of the fallen (about 55,000 missing) will be cut in Portland stone panels fixed to the walls of the Hall of Memory:

40,665	United Kingdom
7,024	Canadians
6,221	Australians
567	South Africans
417	Indians
54,894	

The inscription beneath the Lion above the soffit of the arch is: "To the Armies of the British Empire who stood here from 1914-1918 and to those of their dead who have no known grave."

In the same position at the other end of the arch is the inscription: "Here are recorded names of officers and men who fell in the Ypres Salient, but to whom the fortune of war denied the known and honoured burial given to their comrades in death."

This Memorial will be unveiled in July this year by Field-Marshal Lord Plumer.