

School Chronicle.

THE FOUNDERS' DAY CELEBRATION.

THROUGH the kindness of the University authorities, we were able this year again to celebrate our Founder's Day in the Whitworth Hall. The Chair was taken by Professor Tout, and many others of our Governors and friends were present, either on the platform or in other parts of the Hall. The address was given by Mr. Spurley Hey, our Director of Education.

In opening the proceedings, Professor Tout said: We meet for the annual commemoration to-day under circumstances of such national stress and effort as not the oldest of us, nor the fathers of the oldest of us, have ever seen before. The grim horrors of this fearful war, fought unceasingly under all the terrors and hardships of winter warfare, suggest something very different from our religious commemoration, in these winter days, year by year, of the founders and benefactors of the School, and I do not wish to do more than suggest how important it is for us to bear the same in mind when all this grim horror is going on not 150 miles from where we are, and which, I fear, will be going on until what soldiers call a "decision" is reached. Though hundreds of thousands, and millions of men have been killed and mutilated, one cannot yet see that a decision has been arrived at either in the eastern or the western field. We must go on until such a decision is favourable to us, and we may, before we get to that consummation, have to go through such toil, anguish and sorrow as, even now, we have no conception of.