

Death of Mr Henry Forward.

At about half past six o'clock on Monday morning the death occurred at his home at Grass Valley of Mr. Henry Forward, at the age of 65 years. Deceased gentleman, who was a native of Northam, was a very well-known and highly respected agriculturist and citizen. Practically the whole of his life was devoted to farming and his early experiences were gained at a time when farming facilities were non-existent and extremely heavy toil and hardships had to be undergone. He was one of the pioneer men who set such a splendid example to the younger generation of agriculturists, an example of thoroughness in farming and thrift.

He married a Miss Martin, daughter of Mr. Wm. Martin, a well-known old time farmer of the York road. As a result of this union a family of six sons and seven daughters was reared, viz., Messrs George, Fred, Frank, Thomas, Harold and Horace Forward, the latter being at the front at present whilst the remainder are engaged in farming operations in this district. The daughters are Mesdames David Kingston (Perth), D'Alton (Geraldton), S. F. A. Parker, F. Watson, J. Watson, P. Gorman and Martin, of this district. His first wife passed away some years since and eight years ago he contracted a second marriage and leaves a widow to mourn the loss of a kind and indulgent husband,

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The late Mr. Forward was very widely connected, amongst other relations being a nephew in the person of Mr. A. W. Byfield, Mayor of Northam. The funeral is appointed to leave his late residence, on Grass Valley road, at one o'clock this afternoon, arriving at St John's Church at 2.30 o'clock, thence proceeding to the Anglican portion of the Northam cemetery. Members of the Guiding Star Tent of the I.O.R. are requested to meet at the Church of England at 2.15 p.m. to follow the remains to the place of interment.