

DEATH OF AN OLD COLONIST.

We regret to record the death of Mr. Thomas Smith, which took place at his residence on Sunday evening. Mr. Smith was one of the oldest colonists, having arrived in Western Australia early in the 'thirties.' During his lengthy residence in the colony, his name had been connected with several movements for the public welfare, and he was also a member of the Metropolitan Rifle Volunteer corps from its formation in 1861, and in which he had for several years held the rank of Quarter-Master Sergeant. For very many months Mr. Smith's health had not been good, and lately he became so infirm that he was unable to leave his room. On Sunday last he died, at the advanced age of seventy-five years. The funeral took place at four o'clock on Tuesday and was attended by the Metropolitan Rifles, and also by the members of the Masonic Lodge, to which Mr. Smith in his life time, belonged.