

Mr. Joseph Lockyer

Death in Ninety-Ninth Year.

COLONIST OF OVER EIGHTY YEARS.

LONG RESIDENCE IN NORTHAM DISTRICT.

There passed away on Saturday, in the person of Mr. Joseph Lockyer, a gentleman who was believed to have been the oldest living resident of the State. Mr. Lockyer was born at Paulton, in Somerset (England), in 1813, and at the time of his death was within seven months of his hundredth birthday. The deceased gentleman arrived in Western Australia in February, 1880, coming out with nine other members of his family in the ship Hooghly. He lived in Fremantle for some time, and then went to South Australia. His stay in the sister State was, however, only for a couple of years, and he returned to Western Australia. Early in the forties he came to Northam and acquired land in the vicinity of the present Northam cemetery; in fact the cemetery was originally portion of his property, being afterwards resumed by the Government for the purpose. At this property Mr. Lockyer has since continuously resided, following the occupation of farmer and grazier. In 1859 he married Miss Simmons, also of England, and three sons and two daughters were the issue of the marriage. All of his children

of the marriage. All of his children are now living, and are Messrs. Albert and Ernest Lockyer (Northam), Lionel Lockyer (Roleystone, near Armadale), Mrs. Roache (Perth), and Mrs. Hugh Frazer (Northam).

Mr. Lockyer in his earlier years was an ardent and prominent sportsman. He was an enthusiastic supporter of the turf, and in the opening stages of the Western Australian colony, owned and trained a large number of horses. He was an accomplished horseman, and rode at the first race meeting held in W.A., the meeting taking place at Hamilton Hill at the back of Woodman's Point, Fremantle. In the early days of W.A. the chief event in the local racing world was the Queen's Cup, a grant of £100 from the Imperial Government. Mr. Lockyer was successful in winning this event on three occasions. Two horses owned by him will be remembered by early residents of the State, namely, Frin-go-Bragh and Southerner.

Throughout his long life Mr. Lockyer enjoyed excellent health, but during the concluding twelve months the effects of old age confined him to his bed almost continually. He passed away peacefully at his residence at 9.30 on Saturday morning. In addition to his sons and daughters already mentioned, deceased leaves seventeen grandchildren in different portions of the State.

The funeral took place on Sunday afternoon and was largely attended. At the interment, which took place in the Church of England portion of the Northam cemetery, the Rev. A. L. Marshall in a brief address paid a tribute to the straight, sportsmanlike character that had always marked the deceased gentleman. The chief mourners were Messrs. Albert, Lionel and Ernest Lockyer (sons), and Mr. A. E. Lockyer (nephew). The pall-bearers were Messrs. Jas. Mitchell, M.L.A., F. H. Hancock,

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J. H. Gregory, W. J. Stewart, W. J.
Morgan, and W. S. Smith.

Floral tributes and letters of con-
dolence were received from:—

Ernest and Lena,
wife and family.
Mr. Pearson Lyon.
Mrs. Viveash and family.
Miss Morrell.
Mr. James Morrell.
Mr. and Mrs. Albert Thackrah.
Dolly, Edna and Nellie.
Mrs. Herbert Withnell.
Mrs. Morrell, Steve, Clare.
Mr. and Mrs. McDonald.
Mr. and Mrs. W. Watkins.
Mr. and Mrs. W. Nind.
Mr. and Mrs. O'Hara.
Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Smith.
Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Stewart and
family.

Mr. Reg. Gartrell.
Mr. and Mrs. J. Thackrah.
Mr. and Mrs. Middleton.
Mrs. Withnell, senr.
Mr. and Mrs. Horace Withnell.
Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Hancock.
Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Morgan and
family.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Gregory and
family.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Williams.
Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Leeder.
Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Viveash.
Messrs. Cook Bros.
Mr. and Mrs. S. Cook and family.
Mr. J. C. Foster and family.
Mr. and Mrs. Joe Thompson and
family.

The Children at Black Boy Hill.
May, Lydia, Alex, Maria.
Lionel, Chrissie and children.
Grandsons at Paulton.

Mrs. Peake and family.
Mrs., Miss and Mr. McCarthy.
Mr. and Mrs. T. Sinclair.
Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Wilkerson.
Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Sinclair.
Claude, Jean, Joan.
Mr. and Mrs. Hubble.
Mr. and Mrs. James.
Mr. and Mrs. Potter.
Mr. and Mrs. A. Scott.
Annie Elliott.
Mr. and Mrs. Fishwick.
Frank Thackrah.
Mr. and Mrs. Millstead.
Albert and Maude.
R. H. Leeson, Jennacubbine.
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H. V. Cox, Woodlikino.
James Wilkinson.
Mr. W. Smith.

Stone and Burt, solicitors, Perth.
Lionel Lockyer, Glen Hampton
Armada.

Mrs. Roche, 164 Hay-st., W. Perth.
Rall Lillewhite, Bank of Australasia,
Perth.

J. C. Foster, Red Fern, 134 Wit-
tenoon-street, Perth.

Harry Cooke, West Guildford.
Richard Shall, King Edward Hostel,
Perth.

Sir S. H. Parker, Adelaide Terrace,
Perth.

The funeral arrangements were car-
ried out by Messrs. H. and H. With-
nell.