FUNERAL OF MR. WM. SERMON.

The funeral of the late Mr Sermon, who died at the residence of his daughter, Mrs M. O'Rourke, Grass Valley, on 16th inst., took place on Friday last, when a large number of sorrowing relatives and friends followed the remains to their last resting place, the Roman Catholic portion of the Northam Cemetery. The cortege proceeded to St. Joseph's Church, where the Rev. Father O'Donnell read the first part of the burial service, and also delivered a most impressive address on the life and great work done in assisting in the development of the State by the deceased gentleman and the high esteem in which he was held After the service the procession re-formed and proceeded to the Cemetery, where the Rev. Father O'Donnell officiated at the graveside. The chief mourners were Messrs Thomas, Henry, James, Michael and Richard Sermon (sons) and Mesdames M. F. O'Rourke J. Lawson, J. Martin and A. Thackrah (daughters), as well as many grand child-The pall bearers were Mesers W. I. Stewart, O. L. Bernard, P.O'Driscoll, R.H. Frost, A Martin, and F. W. Roe. The funeral arrangements were conducted by Mr J. W. Purslowe.

Wreaths and floral tribute's were forwarded by the following:—Mr J. Sermon and family; Mr T Sermon and family; Mr H Sermon and family; Mr and Mrs Jas Sermon and family; Mr H Sermon and family; Mr and Mrs M Sermon and family; Mr and Mrs M F O'Rourke; Mr and Mra J Lawson; Mr and Mrs J Martin and family; Mr and Mrs A Thackrah and family; Mr and Mrs R H Frost; Mr and Mrs J H Mathews; Mr and Mrs J Mckvoy; Mr and Mrs F W Roe; Masters Fred and Norman Roe; Mr and Mrs J Dudley and family; Mr and Mrs H Weight; Mr and Mrs Horace Forward; Mrs Nichols

son and family.