

MR. W. ANDREWS.

Mr. W. Andrews, who died at his residence at Smithfield recently, at the age of 84, had lived in the district for over 70 years, and was one of its most respected residents. In 1849 Mr. Andrews (then a child of five years) arrived in South Australia in the ship Stepney. With his parents he travelled to Burra by bul-



lock dray, and he recalled an unfortunate incident of the long, slow journey, when a young married woman fell out of the dray near Salisbury, and, breaking a leg, had to be taken back to Adelaide. At Burra the Andrews family lived in a dug-out on the side of a creek. One night the creek was flooded and their home was washed away, and the unfortunate settlers had to take up their abode in a stable. Subsequently Mr. Andrews settled on the land at Smithfield. In those days the land was covered with dense scrub; there were no houses, and, instead of fences, the boundaries were marked with a few pegs. Mr. Andrews attended a little Bible Christian Church on Gawler Blocks called Salem. Later he took up church work at Smithfield, where he was superintendent of the Sunday-school for 44 years. On November 24, 1875, he was married to Miss Hillier in the Zoar Methodist Church. A family of nine survive, the members of which are Messrs. F. Andrews (Smithfield), J. Andrews (Smithfield), and Frank Andrews, Mesdames W. Argent (Smithfield), H. Argent (Roseworthy), J. Chinner (Prospect), B. Hillier (Gawler River), and Misses F. and H. Andrews (Smithfield). There are 18 grandchildren and one great-grandson.