

Death of Mr. E. J. Smith.

Mr. Edward John Smith (Deputy Commissioner of Stamps for N.S.W.), a well-known resident of North Sydney, died at the residence of his brother, "The Briggis," Gosforth, Newcastle-on-Tyne, England, on November 2. He was 61 years of age at the time of his death. Prior to his departure in April last on a holiday tour of England with his wife and daughter, Mr. Smith underwent a serious operation, and it was hoped by his large circle of friends that the trip would result in a complete restoration to health. After a few months, however, a recurrence of his former illness took place, and resulted in his death. The deceased gentleman was educated in Edinburgh, and came to New South Wales 32 years ago. He entered the New South Wales Civil

Service in 1880. Nine years later he received the appointment of Deputy-Commissioner for Stamp Duty. This responsible position brought him into frequent contact with members of the legal profession, and perhaps there is no section in which he was regarded more highly than in this.

The late Mr. Smith married Miss Charlotte Mackenzie, daughter of the late Mr. Colin Mackenzie, of Weilmoringle. He leaves a widow and four children—one son, Mr. Colin Smith (Messrs. Mauri Brothers and Thomson), and three daughters, Mrs. Tom Smith, Currajong Park, Wougarbon, and the Misses May and Jean Smith. His relations include Dr. R. R. S. Mackinnon (nephew), and Mrs. Vallack (niece), wife of Dr. Vallack, of

Vallack (niece), wife of Dr. Vallack, of North Sydney, and Mrs. Robert Kirkpatrick (niece), wife of Mr. Kirkpatrick, manager of Callan Park Asylum. The deceased took an active part in the work of St. Peter's Presbyterian Church, Lavender Bay, and had been associated with it (latterly as treasurer) for 30 years.



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