

## LATE THOMAS JACK

### 22 Years Mayor

Thomas Jack, Dalby business man of close on 50 years' standing, and Mayor of Dalby for 22 years, passed away at his home at Dalby last week. Ald. Jack had been in failing health and for some time had been confined to his home at Roche St.

The late Ald. Jack took an active interest in the affairs of the Dalby Town Council until just recently, and, even when unable to leave his home, he continued to keep contact with the council office and its doings.

Death came peacefully. Soon after 3 o'clock Ald. Jack asked for a drink of water and, after being given a few drops, he lay back and passed away.

Deceased is survived by his wife and son, Mr. Stewart Jack, of Dalby, and two grandchildren Marjorie and Janet.

Ald. Jack was a most hospitable Mayor. No distinguished personage, cabinet minister, church leader (without regard to creed), ever came to Dalby for the first time without being accorded a civic reception. He was the personal friend of governors, premiers and cabinet ministers, and church dignitaries.

Ex-Premiers Mr. W. Forgan Smith and the late E. M. Hanlon were his particular friends and through both these men Dalby benefited greatly.

At the turn of the century he became interested in country

and Co.'s store at Charleville.

On July 4, 1903, just after the disastrous 1902 drought had broken, he opened as a general storekeeper in Dalby. The population of Dalby was said to be about 1500 at this date.

storekeeping and secured the position of manager for grocery and ironmongery in FitzWalter and Co.'s store at Charleville.