

Obituary.

MR GEORGE HAYNES.

The death occurred on Saturday afternoon, at the Port Fairy hospital, of Mr George Haynes, who had been a paying patient of the institution for the past two years, and had been supported by his son. The deceased, who was a very old and highly-respected resident of Port Fairy, occupied the position of first Mayor of the borough in November, 1863. He was also president of the local hospital. For many years he conducted a large storekeeping business in Sackville-street, and had a branch store at Yambuk, and all his transactions were clean and straight. Later he entered into speculations which did not prove a financial success, and in recent years he and a daughter (Bertha) resided in James-street until infirmity compelled him to seek nursing help at the institution. The deceased, who was an Englishman and a widower (his wife having predeceased him many years ago), had reached the ripe old age of 89 years and 8 months. The family consists of one son (Mr S. Haynes, K.C., Western Australia) and 3 daughters—Mrs R. H. Wilson (Port Fairy), Mrs Lewis and Miss Bertha Haynes (Port Fairy). The funeral took place this afternoon to the Port Fairy cemetery, after the body had been removed to St John's Church, the remains being interred in the Church of England compartment. As a mark of respect to an old councillor, the Mayor and the councillors were represented in the funeral cortege, and the flag at the borough chambers was flown at half-mast. Messrs T. G. Guyett and Sons were the undertakers.

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