

## MR. W. C. HOWARD.

Mr. William Cecil Howard, of Viret-street, Hunter's Hill, who for many years was an officer of the audit branch of the Railway Department, and latterly senior audit inspector in the office of the Commissioner of Road Transport, died on Tuesday, aged 44 years. He was a native of Yass, and in his early days was a prominent athlete. He was a keen Freemason, and a devoted member and deacon of the Hunter's Hill Congregational Church. He leaves a wife and four daughters.

The funeral took place yesterday from the church to the Field of Mars Cemetery. The services were conducted by the Rev. W. P. Graham, minister of the church, and an address was given by the Rev. F. B. Pratt, a former pastor. The Rev. H. Howard, a brother of the deceased, assisted.

Among personal friends who attended were Messrs. John Ferguson, J. Logan, Norton Neave, Joseph P. Clarke, J. Barrett, L. A. J. Barrett, W. H. Moore (representing Park College), James Burke and Mrs. Burke, Messrs. Robert G. Moon, R. E. Moon, and Mrs. Moon, Messrs. Wyndham, Davies, Johnson, W. Jeffreys, Bliss, and Miss Harrod.

Among others present were the Commissioner of Road Transport (Mr. S. A. Maddecks), and Messrs. H. A. N. Puddicombe and A. A. Shoebridge. The Railway Audit Office was represented by Messrs. O. E. Cox, T. G. Gleeson, E. Wooster, A. Wright, R. Moon, W. Ireland, and D. Buckley; the Railway Estate Office by Messrs. W. A. Green and J. W. Kerahler; the Municipal Council of Hunter's Hill by Aldermen Farthing (Deputy Mayor), R. S. Murray-Prior, Lyle Moore, and Lotze; the Hunter's Hill Congregational Church by Messrs. T. B. Cooper and W. R. Goulding (life deacons), C. A. Hall, W. V. Barnier, L. Blumer, W. Clifton, S. West, Laing, A. H. McPherson, L. H. Moore, and a large number of members; Lodge Wybalena by Wor. Brethren E. G. Ritchie, W.M., J. Wilson, and F. Peck, P.Ms., G. H. Rodger, Marsden, W. A. Freen, P. McNeil, W. E. Thomas, Hay, Gunn, R. N. Goulding, Whitehouse, and Dr. Manning Hair; Lodge Hunter's Hill by V.W. Bro. J. C. Solomon and Bros. Preston and Danks; Lodge Lindfield by Bro. A. Ash; Hunter's Hill Royal Arch Chapter by M.E. Companions F. G. Thorpe, E. M. Lotze, F. J. Flemming, V. G. Solomon, and K. D. Puddicombe; Hunter's Hill Bowling Club by Messrs. J. S. Solomon, president, Kragen, secretary, E. H. Clarke, L. Bloomer, A. Charlesworth, A. Wells, W. Cuneo, S. Palmer, J. Richardson, A. J. Spier, S. Page, J. Gibb, T. Guthrie, E. Higgs, H. Meggatt, J. W. and A. Renaldi, J. Chapman, and E. Downes.