

WILLIAM JOHN COULTER.

On Sunday, December 8th, there passed away in Bowraville, at 2 a.m., a well-known identity in the person of Mr. William John Coulter, at the age of 64 years, who enjoyed good health until about 12 months ago when complications brought on heart attacks and subsequently caused his demise. Born on the Macleay River, he was the eldest son of the late Mr. and Mrs. William James Coulter. His father came from the North of Ireland in the early days as a sailor and, seeking a home, took a selection on Simpson's Ridge. He later met Miss Emily Gill, of the Manning River, and they were married at Simpson's Ridge and subsequently left for the Macleay where William was born. When 17 years of age William went to Bowraville and lived there for seven years at Simpson's Ridge, going from there to Taylor's Arm and living on the farm now owned by Mr. C. Philip for 16 years. He returned to Bowraville in 1916, after having purchased the late Mrs. Gaddes' farm, where he had lived ever since. The late Mr. Coulter was maize growing until dairying became an industry in this district. He was loved and respected by all who came in contact with him. Besides his widow, he leaves to mourn their loss three sons (Messrs. Kenneth, Rex and Herbert). One daughter predeceased him in 1915. One brother, Mr. Hercules Coulter, and four sisters, Mesdames E. Kennedy, J. Cook, W. J. Brown and G. Gore also are living. The funeral took place the same evening when Rev. White. after a service in the

Rev. White, after a service in the Methodist Church, laid the mortal remains to rest in the Bowraville cemetery. Over 60 cars followed the cortege as a mark of esteem.—
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