

OBITUARY.

MISS BARBARA HOGG

Profound regret was expressed on all sides yesterday when it was learned that Miss Barbara Hogg had passed away in the early hours of that morning. She was one of Braidwood's oldest natives, having been born here in the same home in which she died 86 years ago. The old lady had been in failing health for about four months. During her illness she was devotedly cared for by her two sisters, who did everything humanly possible for the old lady. Her father, the late Mr. Thomas Hogg, was born in Scotland. He came out to Australia as a Sergeant in the Army 106 years ago. Later he resigned and joined the police force, rising to the rank of Sub-Inspector. He retired at Dubbo and came back to Braidwood. His wife, a Miss Jane McCrae, was born in North Scotland, and was married in Braidwood. When she was about 12 years old Miss Hogg went to Dubbo to live staying there for about five years; otherwise the whole of her life was spent at Braidwood.

The deceased was a very quiet, reserved lady, whose chief hobby was flowers. She loved these, and her garden was invariably one of the beauty spots of the town. For many years she had been a prominent worker for the Benevolent Society, a kindly old soul who found pleasure in ministering to the wants of others in less fortunate circumstances than herself. Her charitable nature, her deep sympathy and understanding endeared her to everyone with whom she came in contact.

The deceased lady, too, was a Christian, and we use the word in its highest and best sense. No matter what obstacles came her way, what rebuffs life had for her, she met them with the same calm, unruffled serenity and quiet demeanour, fully secure in her strong faith and religious beliefs. She did not talk much about the Christian beliefs, but she acted them, she lived them, for hers was a very practical rather than a professed Christianity.

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Three sisters survive, viz., Miss Jane Hogg (Braidwood), Kate (Mrs. Petersen, Sydney), and Miss Agnes (Braidwood), to whom we extend our sincere sympathy. Two brothers, George and Robert, and one sister, Isabella, predeceased her. The funeral takes place to-day (Friday) at 3 p.m.