

DEATH OF MR. HENRY WATERS.

On Tuesday, Mr. Henry Waters, of Strathalbyn, a colonist of 53 years, passed away. The deceased, who was born at Stithney, in Cornwall, on June 27, 1847, was in his 82nd year. Mr. Waters left Cornwall in 1851 for Australia, the colony being chosen by him as his adopted home. For two years he made his home at Willunga; afterwards removing to Strathalbyn. He remained in the latter place till 1851, when he left for the Ballarat goldfields. After a few years sojourn in Ballarat he returned to South Australia, settling at Belvidere, four miles from Strathalbyn, where he entered into the farming industry, and remained there till eight years ago, when he removed to Strathalbyn, spending the remainder of his days there. To Mr. Waters Methodism in this colony owes much, as he worked energetically in the cause in the Strathalbyn circuit. The Belvidere Church was founded by him, whilst the Sunday-school in connection with that church was formed by him in 1860. He held the office of superintendent of the latter for over 20 years, and, in conjunction with his granddaughter (Mrs. A. Lunn, then Miss A. Golding), he labored diligently on behalf of the Sunday-school. Mr. Waters was also a local preacher, and for 20 years, until the beginning of the present year, when the union of the Methodist bodies became an accomplished fact, he held office as a circuit steward, after which he was appointed a trustee of the present Methodist Church. Mr. Waters was a prominent member of the Oddfellows, M.U., in which he took a keen and active interest, having passed through all the offices, and on several occasions acted as a delegate at the deliberations of the meetings of the district. The deceased gentleman was highly respected and well-known throughout this colony and Victoria. He has left a sister (Miss Waters), 2 sons, 12 grandchildren, and 4 great-grandchildren.