

OBITUARY

MR. GEORGE BARBER.

An old identity of the Charleville district, in the person of Mr. George Barber senr., passed away at his residence about 4 o'clock on Sunday afternoon last. The deceased, who was aged 72 years, came to Charleville in 1891 and the following year he opened up a business as a building contractor. He carried on till 1908, when the business was taken over by P. & A. Barber, but he still retained an interest in the firm. In 1924 the present firm of Barbers Ltd. took over the business and Mr. Barber had control of affairs right up to the time of his death. Mr. Barber also associated himself with public affairs, especially those that would tend towards the betterment of the town. He was Mayor of the town on several occasions and was Town Clerk for a time. He was a member of both the Masonic and Oddfellows' Lodges, and filled important positions in both. He held positions on the Hospital Committee, the Central Warrego P. & A. Association, and was Chairman of the Charleville Fire Brigade Board. He contested the Warrego seat and was successful, and was a member for a short period. He was a strong Labour supporter and was one of the founders of the Labour movement in Charleville. He had the misfortune to fall from a tramcar in Brisbane a few years ago and he was in a very critical condition for some time. However, he recovered and although it greatly affected his health and he had bad turns from time to time, he was able to get around with his cheery smile and very rarely missed a meeting of committees of which he was a member. He is survived by a wife, six sons (George junr., Percy, Archie, Albert, Sydney and Frank), and two daughters (Mrs. Walk. Bundaberg, and Mrs. W. Woods, Charleville).

The funeral took place on Monday from the residence, and the cortege was a very long one and full of repre-

from the residence, and the cortege was a very long one and fully representative of the many business houses and friends of the deceased and his family. Six members of the Oddfellows' Lodge acted as pall bearers and D.G.M. Bro. C. M. Fitz-Walter, of the Oddfellows' Lodge, read the last farewell to a departed Brother. The Rev. Brookes conducted the service at the graveside. Funeral arrangements were carried out by Mr. J. Binnie.

Wreaths were sent by the following: Charleville Motors Ltd., Mr. and Mrs. W. Woods, officers and members of the Loyal Hope of Charleville Lodge, M.U.I.O.O.F., Masonic Lodge, Mr. and Mrs. Dalziel, C. M. Fitz-Walter, James Herriman, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Deutscher.

Messages of sympathy were received from: Mr. and Mrs. Jack Carter, L. R. Pilman and family (Roma), Mr. and Mrs. W. J. McConnell, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Nicholls, Charleville District Past Grands' Lodge, M.U.I.O.O.F., Mr. and Mrs. W. Outen, Mr. and Mrs. H. Dyer, The State Assurance Company Ltd., The Charleville Times, Mr. and Mrs. B. Fraser, Mrs. P. A. Kelly, E. M. Tait, Mr. and Mrs. J. Somerfield and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Connolly, Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Wright and family, Mr. and Mrs. McConnell and family, Mrs. Turner and Mrs. Crooks, Mr. and Mrs. A. Richardson sent, Mr. J. P. F. Lockett and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. P. France and family, Mrs. E. S. Britcher, Teachers and Children of Charleville State School, Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Allen and family, Mr. and Mrs. P. O'Gorman, Miss V. Cooper, Mr. and Mrs. R. O'Neill, Mr. and Mrs. A. Morris senr., Mr. and Mrs. T. O'Sullivan and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. Carter and family, Mr. and Mrs. A. Greig and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. Gibbs and family, Mr. and Mrs. A. Hetherington, Mrs. R. Carlisle and family, Q.A.T.B. Committee and Superintendent, Mr. and Mrs. A. Proud, Mr. W. Hall and family, Mr. and Mrs. James Herriman, Mr. and Mrs. Murr and Mrs. Fraser, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Addison, Mr. C. F. and family. The Grim-

Fraser, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Anderson,
Mr. G. Espie and family, The Grim-
stead family, Mrs. Haysted and fam-
ily, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Carter and
family, Mr. Terry (Werina), Mr. and
Mrs. A. Hollett and family (Bris-
bane), Campbell and Sons (Brisbane),
Mr. G. Espie, Mr. and Mrs. Eric
East (Maxvale), Mr. Strange (Too-
woomba), Mr. Stone (Toowoomba),
Mr. and Mrs. L. Lumb and family
(Brisbane).
