

Bendigo Cemetery



The family grave for Dr Adolphus BARNETT who died 14/02/1867 aged 54 and his son William Frederick BARNETT, an explorer, who died 18/03/1879 aged 37 years.

Link to an account of the Explorer [Duncan M'Intyre](#) and William BARNETT's part in it as he travelled throughout Queensland and New South Wales.

William was married to [Charlotte](#) who died in 1915 aged 77 and who is buried in another grave in Section C3.

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Sacred to  
the memory of  
ADOLPHUS BARNETT  
M.B. LOND. M.R.C.S.E.L.A.C.  
who died Feb 14th 1867  
Aged 54 years

WILLIAM FREDERIC  
(Late Explorer)  
and youngest son of the above  
who died March 18th 1879, Aged 37 years  
also

MARY ELIZA  
daughter of  
Wm Fred and Charlotte BARNETT  
who died Dec 7th Aged 6 mths

also  
SARAH ELIZA (CISSY)  
daughter of  
W. F. and Charlotte BARNETT  
who died Feb 14th 1903, Aged 25 years



The following people were buried in this grave #2583 Sect C3 as per cemetery records.

2583 BARNETT Adolphus 14/02/1867 15/02/1867 54 yrs

4474 BARNETT Mary Eliza 7/12/1872 9/12/1872 6 mths

7260 BARNETT William Frederick 18/03/1879 19/03/1879 37 yrs

17346 BARNETT Sarah Eliza 14/02/1903 16/02/1903 25 yrs

*Adolphus Barnett*

**Bendigo Advertiser (Vic. : 1855 - 1918) Fri 15 Feb 1867 Page 2**

**DEATH OF DR BARNETT.**

It is with regret we have to announce the death of Dr A Barnett, which took place at his late residence, in Rowan Street, yesterday morning, about one o'clock. Dr Barnett had been in bad health for the last six months, during which time he had been more than once attacked by paralysis. The first indication of these attacks occurred about twelve months ago, when Dr Barnett met with a serious accident in being thrown from his horse at a review which took place at Sunbury. At that time he remained in a state of unconsciousness for several hours, and after recovering consciousness he was very ill for some time. The first serious attack of paralysis occurred about five months since, and from that period he has scarcely enjoyed a day's good health.

During his last illness Dr Barnett was assiduously attended by Drs Betham, Atkinson, and other members of the medical profession in Sandhurst, and to the first-named gentleman he frequently, during his illness, gratefully expressed the great and many obligations he was under to him. Dr Barnett was one of the earliest settlers on Bendigo, having arrived here in 1852, and like great and small in all professions or callings in those days had to "pitch his tent," which he did on the hill near the site of the present Church of England, in M'Kenzie Street.

He speedily obtained a lucrative and extensive practice, in consequence of the reputation he brought with him to this colony, being entitled to term himself a Bachelor of Medicine of the London University - as high a distinction as any member of the medical profession in the colony could boast of. In other matters beside those connected with his profession, Dr Barnett took an active part. Amongst those may be mentioned the projection of the scheme for the Bendigo Waterworks, of which he was one of the original promoters.

Latterly Dr Barnett became a member of the Bendigo Troop of P.W.V.V.L.H., and was appointed its medical officer. He always took an active part in everything connected with the progress of the troop, and it may be mentioned that he was the first member of the Volunteer Corps in the colony who originated the idea - since carried out - of giving land grants to the volunteers. We are sorry to learn that the later days of his life were not cheered by prosperity, from the fact that he was unable to follow his profession in consequence of ill-health.

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**Bendigo Advertiser (Vic. : 1855 - 1918) Sat 16 Feb 1867 Page 2****FUNERAL OF DR A BARNETT.**

Yesterday afternoon the remains of Dr A Barnett, who died on the previous day at his late residence, in Rowan Street, were committed to the grave with military honors, in consequence of the deceased gentleman being a member of the Sandhurst troop of the P.W.V.V.L.H. About three o'clock in the afternoon the volunteer rifles to the number of eighty fell in at the Orderly-room, and with their band marched to the house whence the funeral was to start. Rowan Street and View Place were thronged with on-lookers and cabs.

About half-past three o'clock the procession, which was formed in the following order, began to move:- First came the firing party, numbering twenty-seven, selected from members of the Bendigo Volunteer Rifles, under the command of Lieutenant Joseph, with their rifles reversed, followed by the volunteer band, their instruments draped with crape, playing the "Dead March in Saul" - the drums also being covered with crape, muffled. Then came the hearse drawn by two magnificent black horses from Messrs Francis Bros. establishment.

On one side of the hearse were Lieutenant Blackham of the Bendigo Rifles, and Lieutenant Stewart of the cavalry; and on the other were Captain Moorhead and Lieutenant Sibley, both of the cavalry, who officiated as pall-bearers. Following the hearse was the deceased gentleman's horse with his cavalry trappings on, led by Corporal Clegg, of the P.W.V.V.L.H. In the mourning coach which followed, and which was also drawn by two black horses, were the deceased's eldest son, Mr R Andrews, and the Rev W R Croxton. About twenty members of the mounted troop came next on foot; then the volunteer corps, having their side arms only. The members of the Oddfellows' Society, who mustered but indifferently, followed, and after them came the private vehicles containing the majority of the medical profession in the town, while a number of cabs brought up the rear. All along the line of route numbers of persons were assembled, and a great number accompanied the cortege to the cemetery to see the burial. Upon arriving at the cemetery gates, which took until nearly five o'clock to reach, the firing party and the band separated, forming two lines, and the coffin was carried into the cemetery through the passage thus made. The Rev W R Croxton then proceeded to read the Church of England burial service, and after he had done so, Brother Doyle, of the Oddfellows, read the burial service for the Oddfellows.

At its conclusion, the firing party fired three volleys over the grave, and the assemblage then dispersed. Dr Barnett is buried near the main walk, about the centre of the cemetery.

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*Mary Eliza Barnett*

**Bendigo Advertiser (Vic. : 1855 - 1918) Tue 10 Dec 1872 Page 2**

Family Notices

On the 7th December, Mary Eliza, the infant daughter of Wm Fred Barnett, Crown Hotel, Sandhurst.

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*William Frederick BARNETT*

**Bendigo Advertiser (Vic. : 1855 - 1918) Wed 19 Mar 1879 Page 3**

DEATH OF MR W F BARNETT.

For some time past Mr William Frederick Barnett (son of the late Dr Barnett, of this city), landlord of the Crown Hotel, Hargreaves Street, has been in very delicate health, but hopes were entertained, if not of his ultimate recovery, that he would at least be spared for some years. About three weeks ago he got a great deal worse, and all hopes of saving his life were at an end. He suffered from disease of the liver and epilepsy, and these complaints proved fatal at four o'clock yesterday morning.

The deceased gentleman has been a resident of this city for about 19 years, having come direct to Bendigo on his arrival from London, of which place he was a native. He was only 37 years of age, and leaves a wife and two young children to mourn their loss. His early demise may, no doubt, in a great measure be accounted for by the exposure and privations he underwent some sixteen years ago.

In 1863 he joined Mr Duncan M'Intyre, in a private exploring party to and from the Darling and the Gulf of Carpentaria. On that occasion they were accompanied by three black boys only, but the trip was successfully performed. On their journey across the continent they discovered two marked trees on the Flinders River, and Dr Mueller, believing them to be records of Dr Leichardt's ill-fated expedition, obtained the assistance of some ladies, and a ladies' committee was formed, and an exploring party under the command of Sir Duncan M'Intyre was organised to follow up the presumed traces of Dr Leichardt.

The deceased gentleman was invited to join that party by Mr M'Intyre, and although at that time on the Warrego, he lost no time in journeying to Victoria, but on arriving at Mr M'Intyre's uncle's residence - Mr Donald Campbell, Glengower - he was mortified to find that the expedition had started a few days previously. Mr Campbell advised him to follow the party, and assured him that he would occupy the position of an officer of the expedition. He started off, and overtook the party at the Darling when he was told by Duncan M'Intyre that he could only join as a common hand. This he agreed to do, and although his hopes and his ambition were damped, his enthusiasm was still alive. In writing on this subject afterwards, the Riverine Herald said: - "We believe that a greater mistake was never made by any

leader.

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Had Mr Barnett been given a command, the frightful disaster at Cooper's Creek might have been averted. At all events, it was due to his exertions in a great measure that worse results did not follow." Mr Barnett accompanied the expedition right through to the Gulf of Carpentaria, and was there allowed to leave the party. The second in command of this party was Dr Murray, of "blackbird" notoriety, and who with others deserted M'Intyre, whilst the deceased remained faithful to him to the last.

He had great difficulty in making his way back to Victoria, and about three weeks after, he did so news was received of the death of Mr M'Intyre, and his then second in command Mr Sloman. Mr Barnett's services were again sought and given. He was appointed to the command, and joined the party at the Gilliott Creek, in northern Queensland, where Mr Donald M'Intyre (brother of the deceased Duncan M'Intyre) had a station. The expedition, under the command of Mr Barnett, was then continued for about four months longer, when it was brought to an end for want of funds. The funeral cortege will leave his late residence for the Back Creek Cemetery at 2.30 pm today.

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*Miss Sarah Eliza (Cissy) Barnett*

**Bendigo Advertiser (Vic. : 1855 - 1918) Mon 16 Feb 1903 Page 2**

DEATH.

BARNETT. - On the 14th February, at Crown Hotel, Sarah Eliza (Cissy), youngest beloved daughter of late William Frederick and Charlotte Barnett.

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PERSONAL.

The friends of Mrs C Barnett, of the Crown hotel, Hargreaves Street, will regret to hear of the death of her youngest daughter, Miss Cissy Barnett, who passed away on Saturday evening after acute suffering, the immediate cause of death being pleurisy.

The deceased young lady was only 25 years of age, and was possessed of a singularly amiable disposition, notwithstanding that for a considerable time she laboured under severe physical disability, owing to a lung affection. She had been the subject of operations in the past, but despite the assiduous and untiring care of her relatives, she gradually grew weaker in recent months, and her final illness was

of comparatively brief duration. Great sympathy is felt for Mrs Barnett and family in a loss which is distressing in its sadness.

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