

Kangaroo Flat Cemetery



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Grave for Martin Clifford.
Well known cab proprietor.

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Sacred to
the memory OF
Martin Clifford
who died May 22nd 1895
Aged 57 years
"Requiescal In Pac."



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Martin Clifford

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Illness of Mr Martin Clifford.

Last night Mr Martin Clifford, the well known cab proprietor, was taken suddenly ill at his residence at Quarry Hill. Mr Clifford was about the city during the day, and up to the time he went to bed was apparently in his usual state of health, but shortly after he retired he was attacked with paralysis of the brain.

Dr Boyd and Dr Reid (who is acting as locum Unan for Dr Gaffney) were speedily summoned, and were unremitting in their attention to the patient, who at a late hour was still in a very serious condition.

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Bendigo Advertiser (Vic. : 1855 - 1918) Wed 22 May 1895 Page 2

The Illness of Mr M Clifford.

Mr Martin Clifford, who was taken suddenly ill on Monday night, remained in an unconscious state all day yesterday, and his condition was such as to cause his many friends serious alarm. Late last night he was very low, and appeared to be sinking. The seizure, it appears, was the result of the effects of an accident Mr Clifford met with about 18 months ago, and was brought on by the bursting of a blood vessel in the brain.

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Bendigo Advertiser (Vic. : 1855 - 1918) Thu 23 May 1895 Page 2

Death of Mr M Clifford.

General regret was expressed on all sides yesterday morning when it became known, that Mr Martin Clifford, the well known cab proprietor, who, as announced yesterday was in a very low condition had after lingering through the night, died at about 5 o'clock.

Mr Clifford had never thoroughly recovered from the effects of an accident, which he met with by being thrown out of his buggy a couple of years ago, and the seizure which caused his death was due to it. The deceased gentleman, who was of a most genial and kindly nature, was very widely known and respected, and particularly among the commercial travellers, among whom there was no one better known or more universally liked, he will be greatly missed.

He was a very old resident of the district. A native of County Kerry, Ireland, he came to the colony in 1863, settling down in Kangaroo Flat, where he laid the foundation of the extensive cab business which he carried on. He lived in that township for 29 years, till about four years ago, when he built a handsome residence at Quarry Hill, where he owned considerable property. He was 57 years of age, and leaves a widow and a family of six - three sons and three daughter, who are all grown tip. The funeral will take place this afternoon, leaving the deceased's gentleman's late residence in Gladstone Street, for the Kangaroo Flat Cemetery at 3.15 o'clock.

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The Bendigo Independent (Vic. : 1891 - 1918) Fri 24 May 1895 Page 2

The Late Mr Martin Clifford.

The remains of the late Mr Martin Clifford were yesterday interred in the Kangaroo Flat cemetery. The cortege was a long one, consisting of about 70 vehicles. The coffin was of polished oak, beautiful mounted, and on it friends lavished floral mementos. The hearse was drawn by four horses, and after it came three mourning coaches.

The pall bearers were Messrs R O'Neill, MLA, J Crowley, W Crowley junr, W Davis, J J Samers, W Gunn, J Donnellan and D O'Keefe. The Rev Father Rooney read the burial service, and Mr Peter Fizelle conducted the mortuary arrangements.



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