

MR. H. PADDON

Mr. Hugh Paddon, who died at Esplanade, Henley Beach, on Wednesday, had been a member of the Licensed Victuallers' Association for 25 years. He was the eldest son of Mr. James Paddon, of Robe, who came out from Plymouth in the early days. Mr. Hugh Paddon was born at Robe on March 31, 1862, and received his education at Whinham College, North Adelaide. On leaving school he was apprenticed to the building trade, and later went into business as a carpenter and builder at Robe. He then became interested in coach running along the River Murray, and opened a line of coaches between Morgan and Wentworth. He was the first to drive a coach from Renmark to Wentworth. He continued with the coaches until 1891, when he was appointed district clerk of Morgan. In 1905 he entered the hotel-keeping business, being appointed to the management of the Renmark Hotel. He was interested in racing, and was on the committee of the Renmark Racing Club, and was also a member of many other clubs, and served in official capacities at several

of the country meetings. In his younger days he was an expert amateur rider, and was successful on many occasions at country race meetings. He owned racehorses, a notable winner being Marlyon. After being at the Renmark Hotel for five years he removed to Adelaide in 1910, and took the Langham Hotel, Gouger-street, which he conducted for 10 years, afterwards going to the Metropolitan Hotel, Grote-street, for three years. He was a committeeman of the Licensed Victuallers' Association for 25 years. From 1915 to 1917 he filled the presidential chair, and on his retirement he was elected a life member. He was for 50 years a member of the Independent Order of Oddfellows, Manchester Unity, and while in the South-East passed through all the offices of the order. He took an active interest in literary society work. In 1892 he married Miss Margery Pearce, daughter of Mr. James Pearce, well-known in Port Adelaide. Mrs. Paddon died in 1927. Mr. Paddon leaves two daughters, Mrs. W. Struthers, of Henley Beach, and Mrs. A. Scott-Martin, of Toorak. There is one grandson.



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