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## DEATH OF MR. WILLIAM HAY.

We regret to have to announce the death of Mr. William Hay, the big game hunter, which took place at Kuala Lumpur, in the early hours of Sunday. The cause of death was, we understand, black-water fever. Mr. Hay was originally in the Government Service and held positions in the Sanitary Board and Mines departments. Later on he took up mining on his own account and met with varying fortune. He married one of the Misses O'Hara. His wife died some years ago, leaving a family of seven. One daughter is married, the two others are teachers, one at St. Mary's School and the other at Taiping. The other children are still at school.

The late Mr. Hay came out from Ceylon over thirty years ago for the P. W. D. at a time when the State Engineer was the late Mr. C. E. Spooner, under whom deceased had served in Ceylon. He did not remain long in the service, which he left in order to take up mining, industry he remained with which in active association right up to the He took a very keen interest in the public life of the city and was at various periods a member of the Fire Brigade, a director of the Y.M.C.A., a volunteer, etc. As a volunteer he had the distinction of being a member of the Coronation Contingent in 1911 and was also awarded the Long Service Medal. Whilst in England he shot at Bisley and secured several prizes. Besides being a crack marksman he was undoubtedly one of the best big game shots in Malaya and his fame as a shikari was known far and wide, many an elephant, sladang and tiger having fallen to his gun.

The funeral took place on November 12th and was very well attended. The cortege was met on arrival at the Venning Road Cemetery by the Rev. B. C. Roberts, who held a short service at the









Mortuary Chapel and later read the committal prayers at the graveside. At the conclusion of the service the "Last Post" was sounded by the buglers of "A" Coy, M.S. V. R., to which company deceased had been attached for many years. The chief mourners were his four sons and three daughters and sister. The pall-bearers were Messrs. Atwell, de Zylwa, L. and T. Hope, C. O. Thomasz and C. N. Leembruggen. The grave was hidden from view by a profusion of beautiful wreaths.—"M.M."

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