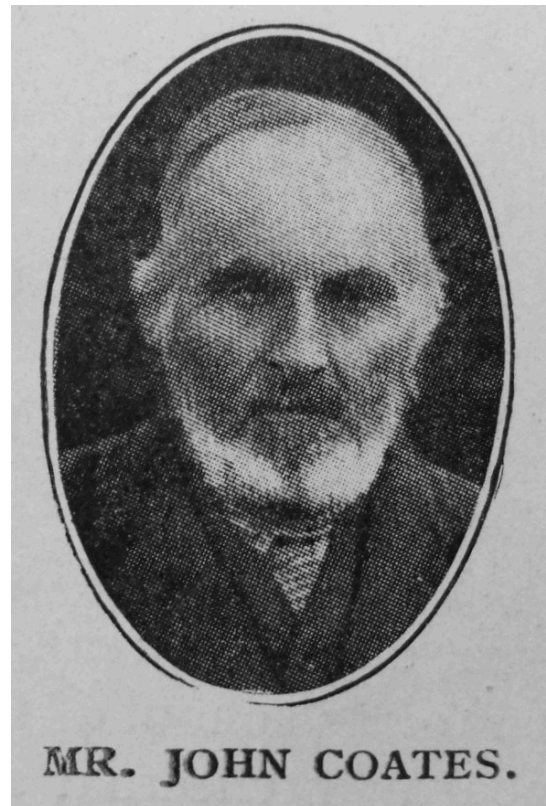


John Coates

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Marton Church, in the Pickering Circuit, has suffered a great loss in the passing of Mr. John Coates on May 29th, 1915. Born July 6th, 1821, he had almost reached the ripe age of ninety-four years. He was a loyal and devoted Christian, and passionately fond of his own Church; a member for nearly eighty years, a local preacher for seventy-five years, a class leader for nearly sixty years, a life-long worker in the Sunday school, a regular attender at the services both Sunday and week-day, and always ready to help the cause of God both with voice and purse. It was an inspiration to see how he enjoyed the means of grace. His mental powers never seemed to wane, and he was vigorous up to the last. Of a striking personality, he was known and respected for miles around. There are three sons and a daughter—all in active association with our Church—to mourn his loss.

The funeral was conducted by Revs. J. Bilton and R.A. Buckley, when a large company gathered to pay their tribute of respect.



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