

Thomas Parnell

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On December 24th, 1914, Mr. Thomas Parnell died, being seventy-six years of age. Converted in his fifteenth year, he was to the day of his death a devoted member of the Church. He won many for the same Saviour as he had found, and amongst the number was his own father. A most acceptable local preacher, he claimed with reasonable pride never to have missed a preaching appointment. He was an ardent temperance worker, an interested member of the Local Free Church Council, for twenty-five years Chairman of the annual Missionary Meeting at Jubilee, and a regular subscriber to the orphanage and other funds. He also served efficiently as class leader, trustee for five chapels, junior and senior circuit steward, member of District Committee and delegate to the Conference of 1900. The historian of local Primitive Methodism, a pamphlet he wrote had wide circulation and great acceptance. His regularity at divine worship was most commendable. The interment took place in Scarborough Cemetery on December 28th. An "in memoriam" service was held at Jubilee Church on January 3rd, 1915.