

DEATH OF OLD INVERNESS MASTER MARINER

IN AUSTRALIA.

CAPTAIN OF OLD "ELIZABETHS."



Captain FARQUHAR CHISHOLM and Daughter.

To the older generation of Invernessians the subject of the above photograph will bring back to memory the days when Clachnacuddin thought more of the "wind-jammer" and the sea than the hotel and the tourist. Captain Farquhar Chisholm, whose death occurred at Wangaratta, Australia, on Saturday, 23rd March last, in his eighty-first year, will be remembered as the commander of "Walker's barque," the Elizabeths, and who sailed on many a perilous voyage between Inverness and Quebec and the Baltic ports. Born in 1832 in Inverness, he followed the profession of those who go down to the sea in ships until, catching the gold fever, he went to the diggings in Victoria in 1884, and landed at Fiery Creek, near Beaufort, in the great gold rush, where there were over 40,000 diggers assembled. He was fairly successful, and earned sufficient to enable him to return to Clachnacuddin, where he studied for, and later obtained,

a master mariner's certificate, and was appointed by the late Mr James Walker to the command of the Elizabeths. His heart must have had a warm place for the scenes of his earlier struggles and vicissitudes at the diggings, and twenty-five years ago he returned to Australia with his wife and family, but six weeks after landing in Victoria he sustained a sad bereavement in the loss of his wife. He settled in Geelong until he took up residence with his son, the Rev. F. Chisholm, pastor of St Paul's Presbyterian Church, Wangaratta, in the manse of which he died. Deceased was a typical Clachnacuddin boy, quiet, unobtrusive and competent, respected by all with whom he came in contact. The lady in the photograph is his daughter, Miss Mary Bremner Chisholm, and his other son is Mr Kenneth Chisholm, contractor, Camperdown. Mr Donald Mackintosh, 23 Douglas Row, Inverness, is a nephew of the deceased captain.

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