

At the Auckland Hospital on 14th March, after a long illness, passed peacefully away one of the county's most enterprising and public-spirited settlers in the person of Mr W. E. Winks, of Port Albert.

Of English birth and nativity the family arrived in New Zealand in the nineties and after filling various positions in business houses in Auckland, Mr Winks joined the staff of Messrs Edward Morrison and Sons, Red Bluff orchards, Warkworth.

During the Great War, Mr Winks played his part in Palestine and upon returning to civil life, in partnership with his brother, conducted with marked success, the orchard property at Riverhead. As an active citizen whose assistance was available and willingly given to any progressive movement in the district and the county, the deceased will be greatly missed by co-workers and friends.

To pay their last tribute of respect to his memory, large and representative parties were present at the Port Albert cemetery from:—Wellsford A. & P. Society, Rodney Returned Soldiers' Association, Star of Albertland Lodge, U.A.O.D., Oddfellows' Lodge, Wellsford, M.U., Albertland Fruitgrowers' Association, and other bodies with which Mr Winks was associated.

To Mrs Winks, her son and daughter, is extended the sincere sympathy of a wide circle of friends.