

HARRY MOTTON DEAD

MELBOURNE, Thurs. — One of the most versatile sportsmen in Australia, Mr Harry Motton ("Motty"), a former Tasmanian, has died in Sydney, aged 84 years.

BORN in Westbury (T) in 1862, he was one of a well-known racing family. When aged 10 years he became a jockey and rode Mr W. Field's horses. In 1876 he won the Launceston Cup on Strop, who was a few months older than the jockey.

Later he went to Charters Towers (Q) and became a champion bicycle rider on the old high-wheeler.

Taking up rifle shooting, he had few equals either as a marksman or as a coach. He represented Australia at Bisley, and was twice in the final 100 for the King's Prize (1903-1907). At the 1907 Bisley matches, where Walter Addison (South Australia) won the King's Prize, Motton won two important matches. In Scotland he won the grand aggregate of Scotland, and was second in the Edinburgh cham-

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Championship. While a member of the Charters Towers Rifle Club he won the New South Wales King's Prize in 1905, and serving with the Australian Rifles he was again successful in 1911. In 1905 he was second in the New South Wales championship, and in 1909 won the North Queensland King's Prize. Two Tasmanian championships were also won by Motton.

During his career as a marksman he competed in England, Scotland, Canada, USA and New Zealand, as well as every State in the Commonwealth.

In 1914 he won the New South Wales small-bore championship.

After having retired from rifle shooting he won trophies at bowls.

In 1909 he drove the first motor-car into Cloncurry.

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