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C. A. BIERI †

We deeply regret to announce the death on Saturday, October 6th, at the Royal Pavilion Hotel, Folkestone, of Mr. Charles Adolphe Bieri. His death was caused by injuries sustained following a fall on the stairs, a subsequent inquest not disclosing any evidence as to how he came to fall. Mr. Bieri was a life-long member of the Société de Secours Mutuels. We are indebted to the *Folkestone Herald* (Oct. 13th) for the following appreciative notes with reference to our late compatriot:—

Deceased, who was in his 58th year, was widely known, not only locally, but beyond. He had been employed as a chef for 30 years by the Fredericks Hotel Company, Ltd. He earned for himself the highest esteem of the Chairman and directors of the Company, as he did also the successive managers under whom he served.

Mr. Bieri was a Swiss by birth, and never lost his love for the little Republic situated amidst the Alps. He was a patriot in the highest sense of the word. However, he became devoted to the country of his adoption and for the people of England he had a fond affection.

No ordinary man was Charles Adolphe Bieri. He was of fine stature—tall and broad shouldered. He always wore a pleasant smile and had a kindly word for all. No trace of envy or jealousy possessed his soul. If he was a big man so far as his frame was concerned, his heart was bigger still. It can be said without exaggeration that he went about doing good. Only his intimates know the extent of this. It can be said, too, that no one who was in real trouble ever sought his aid in vain.

Deceased was one of the first twelve to join the local Brotherhood of Cheerful Sparrows, and, although it was accomplished quietly, he did some splendid work for an organisation that appealed to his heart and soul.

Deceased was a Freemason, and in this connection was associated with the Temple Lodge, Folkestone and the Mark Lodge. He was also a member of the Folkestone Club and it goes without saying that he won the esteem and respect of all his associates.

In his profession he was regarded as a peer amongst chefs. Deceased was, indeed, in this connection highly gifted, whilst his power of organisation in reference to staff work was beyond compare. Thousands of patrons that have sat at tables of the Royal Pavilion Hotel during the nearly quarter of a century that the late Mr. Bieri occupied the post of chef have testified to the excellence of his art. The almost countless public banquets, including those of successive mayors of Folkestone, held at this hotel have won fame too because of their merit. It has been the fashion for years to hear the expression when a banquet has been held at the Pavilion, "Ah, Bieri is here to-night! We are sure of an excellent menu and well served into the bargain." By the death of Mr. Bieri Mr. Bright, the manager of the hotel, has sustained the loss of a friend and invaluable colleague. The whole staff at the Pavilion Hotel were grief stricken when they knew that he had passed away.

Deceased was unmarried. He lost a brother recently in Australia. Another resides in New York. Deceased's nephew, Captain Frederick Bieri, came to Folkestone from Switzerland immediately on being informed of his relative's death.

There are many in this town who by the death of Mr. Bieri feel the loss of a brother and friend. For full twenty years the writer of this notice has enjoyed the sunshine of deceased's friendship. He was always the same, and had a good word for all, be he rich or poor.

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