GRAVE OF THE MONTH

William N. Edwards, died 1915, aged 73.

He came to Newbury in 1884, having worked in hardware in Derbyshire and Shrewsbury. In partnership, he set up the

Edwards & Godding Ironmongery business in the Market Place and remained there until his retirement in 1910.



He was very

active in the town: Overseer; Parish Church; Water Company; Savings Bank; Literary and Scientific Institution; Church Almshouses etc.



He lived in Porchester Villas, with his wife Elizabeth. They had two sons and one daughter. He enjoyed Bowling.

He became Mayor in 1913 and was therefore involved with civic preparations once the war in Europe was declared. He died in hospital in London, after an unsuccessful operation, probably for cancer.