

Dr and Mrs G.P. Bardsley (Edition 1)

Dr and Mrs G. Percy Bardsley were commended by Totara North assembly and went out to Malaya to join Mr and Mrs Marks at Taiping in April 1947. As well as studying Malay Dr Bardsley attended at the hospital to gain experience in Tropical Medicine. They moved to Singapore in 1948 and later worked in a T.B. Clinic amongst Chinese people in the city. Dr Bardsley used his specialist knowledge in T.B. and chest complaints and his service was given free. Literature was used in that outreach and Miss Minnie Fong also helped at the clinic. In 1951 Dr Bardsley went to Macau, Hong Kong for language study and his wife and family went to U.K. to make their home there. While still continuing in language study in 1952 Dr Bardsley had a break-down in health and was advised to go to Britain for a six months' change of climate. While there he took a position as a chest physician until his own health was more robust.

In 1958 he returned to Singapore and occupied a medical position there for several years. In 1960 he was taken ill with acute leukaemia and flown urgently to U.K. where four days later on September 2nd, 1960, he died. His wife and family stayed on in Great Britain for a short period. One son remained there, but Mrs Bardsley and two sons settled in Auckland.