Charles O'Brien

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NEWPORT

NEARLY 70 YEARS IN ONE EMPLOY.--This is the wonderful record of Mr. Charles O'Brien, of 55 Lugley-street, who though he has passed his 87th year, still works full time as a puller at the fellmongery establishment of Stallards, Ltd., in Crocker-street. He is in excellent health, walks as upright as a guardsman, has a head of thick grey hair, and can read without glasses. Mr. O'Brien started work in a fellmonger's yard at Winchester when he was 10 ½, and he came to Newport and became a member of Stallard's staff when he was 18, 69 years ago last February.

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NEWPORT

Seventy Years in One Employ.--The death took place on Wednesday at 55 Lugley-street, the residence of his daughter (Mrs. H. Prouten), of Mr. Charles O'Brien in his 91st year. The deceased, who was a much respected townsman, had a remarkable record of service to Messrs. Stallard, the owners of the fellmonger's establishment until recently carried on in Crocker-street. Mr. O'Brien commenced work in a fellmonger's yard at Winchester when 10 ½ years old, and came from Southampton to work at the yard in Crocker-street at the age of 18. He continued in the service of the firm until his retirement three years ago, being their much valued foreman for many years. He was the oldest member of the Earl Yarborough Lodge of Oddfellows. Mrs. H. W. Parnall, of Hearn-street, is another daughter. The funeral takes place at Carisbrooke Cemetery this (Saturday) afternoon at 2.30.

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