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## TOMB OF A WATERLOO HERO

A very handsome monument, to mark the resting place of the late **Robert MILLIGAN**, Esq., of Eastridge, has just been erected in our pretty Cemetery. It consists of a fine base of Bristol stone, with four panels, surmounted by a chaste cross in white marble, with the initials "J.H.S." The last panel bears the following inscription:

In Memory of ROBERT MILLIGAN, Who died beloved and revered, December 21<sup>st</sup>, 1875 Aged 88.

He was severely wounded at the Battle of Waterloo, when a Lieutenant of the 11<sup>th</sup> Light Dragons, and afterwards entered as Captain, and 2<sup>nd</sup> Life Guards.

"Then shall the dust return to the earth as it was; and the Spirit shall return unto God who gave it."

The other panels bear similar inscriptions in memory of the widow and sister of the deceased. The entire vault was enclosed by a neat kerb and handsomely-cast railing, inside of which there is a border of choice geraniums.

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