

GRAVE OF THE MONTH



**HARMAN
SKINNER
HANINGTON**

1847 – 1901

(Buried 13 September, 1901)



Known by his middle name of Skinner. Born in Newbury; a nephew of George Higgons (the town's Mayor in 1842) whose business he inherited via his father Edward.

A draper and undertaker, based at 19 Northbrook Street which is now the site of Tesco Metro.

Elected to the Town Council in 1891; he celebrated his appointment as Mayor in 1894 by driving a steamroller through the town.

He was an Anglican, a Conservative, a J.P., a Freemason, Honorary Secretary of the Newbury Horticultural Society, Joint Secretary of the Library and Scientific Society, a Volunteer Fireman, etc.

A major player and organiser of their events for both the Newbury Amateur Dramatic Society, and the Christy Minstrels where he frequently took the part of 'Mr. Tambourine'.

For further details of his life, death and burial see:-

<http://www.fncnewbury.org.uk/biography.asp?BiogID=340&PersonID=5496>

To find his family tomb take the path from the chapel to the west wall and it is just a few graves to the right.