

George William Scott

Isle of Wight County Press - 17 February 1940

NEWPORT

Sudden Death of Mr. George Scott.- The borough lost one of its best known and most popular citizens by the very sudden death on Monday of Mr. George Scott, who for over 30 years had been foreman mason to the Corporation. Mr. Scott, as was his regular custom, went to the Reading-room at the Seely Free Library at about 7 p.m. and had a seizure which proved fatal. Dr. Higson, who was called immediately, could only pronounce life extinct. He had not complained of his health, had been at work as usual during the day, and the news of his sudden end came as a great shock to everyone. The Deputy Coroner ordered a post mortem examination which disclosed that death was due to heart failure and no inquest was necessary. Mr. Scott, who was 68, had been a faithful servant of the Corporation and the pavements of the town are a monument to his outstanding skill as a craftsman. He had relaid practically all of them during his period as town mason and he enjoyed the warm esteem of his colleagues on the Corporation staff and of a very large number of friends, to whom he was a familiar figure at work in the streets. A member of an old Newport family he had spent all his life working in the borough. In his younger days he held a reputation as a cricketer, being one of the stalwarts of the Newport Working Men's Club, which played matches on the Church Litten ground. He was good at both batting and bowling and had always taken a keen interest in the game since, as well as football, in which his two sons Messrs. W. G. and L. Scott, are now prominent as members of the Carisbrooke Club. He was a great lover of flowers and a keen gardener and an ardent student of politics. He had been a loyal supporter of the Conservative cause all his life and was a popular member of the Conservative Club. Another way in which he rendered good service to the town was as a fireman in the old volunteer brigade for over 25 years. Since the death of his wife 12 years ago he and his sons have resided with his step-son and daughter-in-law (Mr. and Mrs. A. Thompson), at 21 Mill-street, and sincere sympathy is felt with the family in their unexpected bereavement. For many years Mr. Scott resided at Elmgrove. His younger son, Mr. L. Scott, is a corporal in the R.A.S.C. serving in France, but he has been granted leave to attend the funeral, which will take place to-day (Saturday) at 2 p.m. at St. John's Church, where Mr. Scott was a regular worshipper.

Isle of Wight County Press - 24 February 1940

NEWPORT

The Funeral - of Mr. George Scott, foreman mason to the Corporation, whose sudden death we reported last week, took place on Saturday. The service in St. John's Church was conducted by the Rev. W. H. Mackinnon, and the interment was in Carisbrooke Cemetery. The mourners were Messrs. W. and L. Scott (sons), Mr. and Mrs. A. Thompson (step-son and daughter-in-law), Mr. Arthur Scott (brother), Mr. W. Scott (nephew, also representing his father), Mesdames W. Scott and Draycott and Mrs. M. and A. Scott (nieces), and Master Tony Draycott. Those also attending included Capt. H. A. Drudge (also representing Capt. P. D. Macdonald, M.P.), Messrs. J. J. Simmonds (president), G. H. Lambert (hon. secretary), C. Pragnell and C. Eldridge (the Conservative Club), C. V. Cheverton, L. H. Morgan, and A. D. Callaway (the Oddfellows), V. Gibbs (Newport Trades Cricket Club), J. W. Gibbs (fuel overseer) V. Duke (chairman Newport Football Club), F. Dove, A. H. Jolliffe, W. Cass, H. B.

Tharle, H. James, F. Bull, J. Waterhouse, H. Margham, N. SPencer, W. H. Croucher, R. J. Kemp, C. Shepard, C. R. Smith, G. Attrill, G. E. and W. G. B. Weeks, R. E. Core, E. R. Dore, C.C., A. Leal, A. Chappell, S. Croucher, C. O. Sprake, G. W. Crews, and J. Linnington, and Mr. and Mrs. A. Saunders.

Messrs. O. C. Hamilton and Son made the arrangements.

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