

Maurice Stephen Attrill

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OBITUARY.-----A wide circle of friends in the town and throughout the Island will regret to know that Mr. Maurice Stephen Attrill, aged 65, died on Saturday at the Bedford Inn, after an illness of three months` duration. He was a native of Carisbrooke, where his parents occupied Goldings Farm. As a young man he was employed by Mr. J. Wavell, when he owned the Vine and the wine and spirit business connected therewith. As the representative of the firm, Mr. Attrill made a host of friends on his journeys in the Island, and it was with great regret that they heard of his resignation after about 20 years` service. He then became the licensee of the Bedford, and was the genial landlord from 1905 until 1922, when his son, Mr. M. W. J. Attrill, succeeded him. In his early days Mr. Attrill, sen., was prominent as an athlete, winning many prizes for running in races at Carisbrooke, and he was also for many years one of the bellringers at Carisbrooke Parish Church. Cycling also claimed his attention and he was a member of the local club when Ald. Millgate and others first went awheel on the penny-farthing bicycle. He leaves a widow, three sons, and a daughter. He had to mourn the loss of his second son, who was the yeoman of signals in H.M.S. Queen Mary when that vessel was sunk in action by the Germans. He was one of the senior members of the Earl Yarborough Lodge of Oddfellows. The funeral took place at Carisbrooke Cemetery on Wednesday, the service being conducted by the Rev. J. H. Askwith. The mourners were Messrs. M. W. J. Attrill (son), W. Attrill (son), B. Brimson (son-in-law), G. Attrill (brother), J. B. Alderslade and F. Snow (brothers-in-law), and W. Attrill (nephew). There were also present Messrs. A. Bull, A. Self, J. Leal, W. Upton, H. C. Norris (representing Messrs. W. B. Mew, Langton, and Co.), C. Hill, and W. M. Westmuckett (Coves), J. Curling, J. Thorne, W. Plucknett, A. J. Symons, A. Fabian, R. Kemp, and E. Taylor.

Messrs. Quintons carried out the arrangements.-----Mr. M. W. J. Attrill and Mrs. Attrill, senior, wish to thank all friends for their kind inquiries and letters of sympathy, which are too numerous to answer personally, and also for flowers sent.

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