Frank Arthur Cant

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The Late Mr. F. A. Cant.— The funeral took place on Monday at St John's Church Mr. Frank Arthur Cant, aged 35, whose death occurred at his home, 72 New Street, the previous Wednesday. For about two years after leaving school Mr. Cant worked in the shop of Messrs Lowe, a painting and decorating firm. He then took up employment with Southern Railway, working in the locomotive sheds at Newport Station. Later he became a fireman, being based in turn at the Eastleigh and Basingstoke depots. Then at the age of 22 years, he contracted tuberculosis, and spent long periods in different hospitals until eight years ago, when he was pronounced incurable. Despite his affliction Mr. Cant always remained cheerful, and his courage, which he maintained to the last, was an inspiration to those who nursed him. The service was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. S. F. Cooper), and hymns "Abide with me" and "The day Thou gavest" were sung. The mourners were Mr. J., Mr. and Mrs. D., and Mrs. C. Cant (brothers and sisters-in-law), Mr. and Mrs. W. Dyer, Mr. and Mrs. F. Cooke, and Mesdames C. Shephard, L. Beaty, and J. Gaff (brothers-in-law and sisters), Mr. W. Freeman and Mrs. M. Presswell (cousins), Mr. and Mrs. D. Hall, Mr. D. Gaff, Mesdames K. Toogood, R. Rowson, and J. Oakley, and Miss A. Dyer (nephews and nieces), Mesdames W. Ash and R. Cant (aunts), and Mr. R. Simmonds. Mr. C. Cant (brother), and Mr. G. Beaty (brother-in-law) were unable to attend. The floral tributes included those from friends in New Street. Interment was at Carisbrooke Cemetery. The arrangements were made by Messrs, O. C. Hamilton and Son.

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