

George William Dominey

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NEWPORT

Acting Vicar's death.- Very much regret and sincere sympathy with the widow is felt at the death on Wednesday morning of the Rev. George William Dominey, of Southsea, who has been acting vicar since the Rev. J. F. Seymour Glynn left for Emsworth, and had won much popularity and appreciation by his able and sympathetic ministrations. His deeply interesting sermons, particularly those on well-known hymns, had attracted large congregations, and there was general regret when Mr. Dominey announced in the Parish magazine a fortnight ago that he was compelled to ask the Bishop to relieve him of his temporary appointment. Although very ill he celebrated the Holy Communion on December 5th, the date of the anniversary of the young Men's Bible Class, of which he was the revered president. He was too unwell either to preach at morning prayer or to conduct the special anniversary service in the afternoon, but he insisted, at great cost to himself, on preaching for his young men at evensong, and those who were present will long remember his powerful sermon, the last which he preached, based on the words of the hymn "Lord Thy word abideth." Unfortunately his condition became worse and he was unable to return to his home at Southsea, as he hoped to do this week. He and Mrs. Dominey were staying at the residence of Mr. J. W. Head, at 62 Alexandra Terrace, Carisbrooke-road, and he passed peacefully away there. The reverend gentleman, who was 75, was ordained in Calgary, Canada, in 1912 and acted there as special service clergyman to the Bishop of Calgary. He came to this country in 1913 and during the War was a Territorial chaplain to the Forces. It was while sharing the hardships of the troops in France during the retreat in March 1918, that he contracted an internal trouble which had affected his health ever since and it was an acute recurrence of this malady which led to his death. He was Rector of Beverston, Gloucestershire, from 1922-27, and Vicar of Bracebridge in the Diocese of Lincoln from 1927 until his retirement five years ago. The funeral will take place this (Saturday) afternoon, service at St. Thomas's Church at 1.45 and the interment at Carisbrooke Cemetery.

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Funeral of the Rev. G. W. Dominey of Newport.

The funeral of the Rev. George William Dominey, acting Vicar of Newport, took place on Saturday. The service at the Parish Church was attended by a large number of the congregation, including representatives of the parochial organisations. The officiating clergy were the Revs. H. Ewbank (vicar of Carisbrooke), W. H. Mackinnon (vicar of St. John's), H. G. Kelsey (vicar of St. Paul's), and T. V. Ruddock (formerly curate at the Parish Church). The choir met the cortege in the church porch, led the singing of the hymn "Jesu, Lover of my soul" and chanted Psalm xxiii. The hymn "Lord Thy word abideth," the subject of Mr. Dominey's last sermon on the previous Sunday week, was also sung. Mr. A. H. Griffiths, A.R.C.M., was at the organ.

In an eloquent tribute to Mr. Dominey, the Rev. H. G. Kelsey expressed deep sympathy with the family. He said they were met to give thanks for a life of devoted service to the church. Mr. Dominey had set a wonderful example; he had come forward for active service, although he had earned a well-deserved rest, and had carried on the work of that church during a difficult time. He had given of real service to St. Thomas's, and had left a wonderful inspiration and memory. The Nunc Dinittis was chanted as the coffin was borne from the

church, and some 15 members of the Young Men's Bible Class, of which he was the esteemed president, formed a guard of honour at the door.

The mourners were: Mrs. Dominey (widow), Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Head, Mr. F. Downie, of London (brother-in-law), Miss B. Gradidge, of Southsea, Mr. and Mrs. E. Dowling, and Mr. and Mrs. R. Jackson. Those also attending included the mayor (Mr. F. E. Welsh), Messrs. E. J. White and R. H. Pritchard (churchwardens), Mrs. and Miss White, Mrs. Pritchard, Mr. F. Bright (secretary of the Church Council), Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Allee, Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Woodland, Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Way, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Bartlett, Mrs. L. and Miss Jordan, the Rev. W. J. Crews (vicar of St. Mary's, Cowes), Mesdames C. E. Yelf, Chandler. Fisher, A. Chiverton, Morris, Veness, Wiles, Burgess, Riddett, W. Barton, Hutton, Spanner, Starke, Parry, Wellspring, sen., A. Fry, and Bright, the Misses Moorman, Brackey, Kennedy, Brown, Scovell, Witham, Brigden (representing the C.E. girls and infants' departments), Snow, Newland, M. M. Oram, Caplehorn, D. Wray, Adams, Webb, and Ellis, and Messrs. H. Mayes, C. S. Crowther, J. H. James, H. W. Eldridge, S. Elliott, C. A. Good, W. Rodway, E. S. Miller, W. A. Furmage, F. J. Webb, W. Upton, R. G. Chandler, and A. D. Callaway, and Messrs. F. Chiverton (leader), and D. Westcott(hon. treasurer) of the Bible-class. The interment followed at Carisbrooke Cemetery.

The Archdeacon (the Ven. Hampton Weekes), who was to have represented the Bishop of Portsmouth, was unable to attend. Messrs. H. and F. Damp made the arrangements. Half-muffled peals were rung by the Parish Church bellringers before the morning and evening services on Sunday.

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