Ernest Henry Drudge

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NEWPORT

The Late Mr. E. H. Drudge.- The death occurred at his home, 27, St. John's Road, on Saturday, after a long illness, of Mr. Ernest Henry Drudge, aged 67, a retired miller. He leaves a widow (who is an invalid) and one daughter, with whom sincere sympathy is felt. Mr. Drudge was born at Blackwater. He served his apprenticeship with Messrs. James Thomas and Co. and was then employed by Mr. W. C. Eyles as a miller for 23 years. Later he was employed for 21 years by Mr. C. J. Sheath until that business closed down and then did light work at the Borough Hall Garage for a time until failing health caused his retirement. Since the age of 18 he had been a member of the Foresters and he had gone through the offices. He was also a former member of the I.W. Cycling Club and competed in many races at Carisbrooke Castle. The funeral was on Wednesday, a service at St. Thomas's Church being conducted by the Vicar of St. Paul's (the Rev. L. J. D. Wheatley). The family mourners were Miss O. Drudge (daughter), Mr. W. H. Drudge (brother), Mesdames D. Stallard (niece) and F. King (sister-in-law), and Mr. C. King (nephew). There were also several Foresters present. The many floral tributes included those from friends and neighbours. Interment was at Carisbrooke Cemetery. Messrs. O. C. Hamilton and Son made the arrangements.

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