SARAH JANE GREENHAM

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OCTOGENARIAN LADY GARDENER'S DEATH. - A well known and highly respected resident has been removed by the death at her residence, 3 Cavendish-place, on Sunday, of Mrs. Sarah Jane Greenham, who had reached the great age of 88. By her death the town has lost a worthy citizen and the residents of Cavendish-place a much loved neighbour, whose cheery and unassuming disposition endeared her to all who knew her. Gardening and the cultivation of flowers was Mrs. Greenham's special interest. Her front garden was the pride of the neighbourhood, always a delight to the eye. Beautifully kept, a blaze of colour with masses of flowers, and edged with a white stone border which was kept spotlessly clean with lime wash, it was regarded as one of the sights in the town. She took an active interest in it until almost the end of her life. One of her proudest possessions was a framed certificate of the I.W. Horticultural Association for the best cultivated flower garden, awarded to her at the Carisbrooke Cottage Garden Show in 1898. She was the widow of Mr. Charles Greenham, who served in the old I.W. Volunteers 40 years ago, and who died some 33 years ago.

Mrs. Greenham had been a regular attendant at the services in the Clifford-street Chapel. The funeral took place at Carisbrooke Cemetery on Wednesday, the service being conducted by Mr. A. C. Fry. The family mourners were Mr. J. Greenham (son), Mesdames Chappell, Pragnell, Buckett, and Gallop (daughters), Messrs. H. Buckett and C. Pragnell (sons-in-law), Messrs. E. and K. Gallop and Miss J. Chappell (grandchildren), Mr. W. Gray (cousin), and Mrs. Parsons (a close friend). There were a large number of beautiful floral tributes, including a posy of flowers from the children of the neighbourhood, by whom she was greatly loved.

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