**Ellen Maria Harley**
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**NEWPORT**

   **INQUEST ON AN OCTOGENARIAN**.- The Deputy Coroner (F. A. Joyce, Esq.) held an inquest at the Secondary-school, on Saturday on the body of Mrs. Ellen Maria Harley, aged 83, who died at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Alice Mary Williams, of 11 St. John's-road on Friday week, following a fall on April 9th. Mrs. Williams stated that her mother had been living with her since 1934, and had been subject to minor epileptic fits. On April 5th she had a series of fits lasting for two days, which left her in a very weak condition. At 5a.m. on April 9th witness left her mother in her room. She heard a bump and returned to find that deceased had fallen out o bed. She complained that her back hurt. She was attended by Dr. Foster, but gradually became weaker and passed away o Friday. Dr. Stanley Foster, of 6 High-street, said he was summoned on April 9th and found that deceased had broken her left leg. He could not reduce the fracture owing to her age, but relieved the pain as much as possible.  The Coroner said that the lady had received every attention and his verdict would be that death was due to senile decay, accelerated by the breaking of a femur, arising from an accidental fall. P.S. Dennis and P.C. Eames were the police officers present. The funeral took place on Tuesday at Carisbrooke Cemetery, the Rev. W. H. Mackinnon officiating. The mourners were Mr. E. W. Harley (son), Messrs. J. C. Williams and G. W. Manabridge (sons-in-law), G. H. King, and B. J. Newnham. Floral tributes were sent by the following: E. W. Harley and family; Nellie and George; Alice and Jack; Rene, Frank and children; Amy and Ern; Jesssie Bennett; A. Guy; Harry & Mrs. King; Mr. and Mrs. Osborne and Kelvin; L. Hollands; A. and M. Williams; Polly; and Lorna Piper.-  The family wish to thank all kind friends for inquiries and letters of sympathy in their bereavement.