

James William Head

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SUNDAY-SCHOOL WORKER'S DEATH

A well-known worker for Sunday-schools, Mr. James William Head, of 62 The Mall, died on Tuesday at the age of 88. He had been a deacon at the Congregational church for 20 years, and was leader of the Young People's Institute and Young Men's Bible Class. He took a deep interest in this work, and in 1936 was presented with a Sunday-schools' Union diploma for 50 years service in the Sunday-schools. He celebrated his golden wedding eight years ago, and is survived by his wife, one son, and 2 daughters.

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FUNERAL OF MR. J.W. HEAD

The funeral of Mr. James William Head, aged 88, of 62 The Mall, took place at Carisbrooke Cemetery on Saturday, preceded by a service at the Congregational church, where he was deacon for 20 years. The Rev. T.E.R. Langridge (pastor) officiated, and Mr. A. Mearman was at the organ. The chief mourners were: Mr. Norman Head (son), Miss D. Head and Mrs. Warr (daughters), Mr. L. Lipson and Mrs. Peart (nephew and niece), Miss B. Coggern (representing Mr. L. Cole and the Misses F.M. and A.M. Cole, brother and sisters-in-law). The Pastor, paying high tribute to Mr. Head's service to the church, said the Young People's Institute which he built up was one of the best movements of its kind in the Island. His record of work for the Congregational church included service to churches at Bromley (Kent), West Wickham (where he used to conduct services), and in Essex and Sussex. Testimony to his work for youth was the presentation to him in 1936 of the diploma of the Sunday Schools' Union.

Among those at the service were: Messrs W. Upward and J. Clarke (deacons), G. Dunford, L.G. Upward, R.W. Comer, J.F. Launder, F.C.O. Minns, and A.G. Harrison (church secretary), Mrs. Harrison, Mr. and Mrs. H.S. Porter, Mr. and Mrs. F.E. Witcher, Mr. and Mrs. W. Webber, Mrs. P. Groves (also representing Mr. P. Groves, B.A.O.R.), Mesdames A. Rackett and W. Coleman, and the Misses Martin, G. Chiverton, and L. Whillier. Floral tributes included a wreath from the pastor and deacons of the church.

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