George Matthews

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NEWPORT

FORMER SHOP MANAGER'S DEATH

The death occurred in St Mary's Hospital on Monday of Mr. George Matthews, aged 82, who, until a few years ago was the manager for Messrs. Burton, drapers. Mr. Matthews was a native of the town and for many years lived at Mayfield, Carisbrooke Road. His wife formerly Miss Beatrice Chambers - died in 1940, and he then went to live with his son at 39 College Road. He worked for Messrs. Bright and Minns in Nodehill before joining Burtons, at that time established in Nodehill. Mr. Matthews was a regular worshipper at the Parish Church. At one time he was a member of the Conservative Club, in its former premises in the High Street. He was a member of the local court of the Ancient Order of Foresters and had held office in the movement, and also a former member of the St. John Ambulance Brigade. He is survived by his son. The funeral will take place today at the parish church at 2 p.m.

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The funeral service took place at the Parish Church on Saturday for Mr. George Matthews, of 39 College Road, whose death was reported last week. The service was conducted by the vicar (the Rev. A.P. Lumley), and Miss K.A. Lower (organist) accompanied the hymns "Blest are the pure in heart," and "There is a land of pure delight." The principal mourners were Mr. and Mrs. R.G.M. Matthews (son and daughter-in-law), Mr. and Mrs. G.A. Davies (grandchildren), Miss R.M. Sparshott, Mr. and Mrs. E.L. Stagg, and Mr. and Mrs. Moorman.

The floral tributes included those from Mr. and Mrs. Frank Burton, the staff at Messrs. Burton and friends. Interment was at Carisbrooke Cemetery. The arrangements were made by Messrs. H. and F. Damp.

Mr. and Mrs. Matthews tender their grateful thanks to Dr. J.A.C. Terry and St. Mary's Hospital staff for their devoted care and attention.

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