

Arthur Scott

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NEWPORT

Sudden Death of Mr. Arthur Scott.- We regret to announce the death, which took place with tragic suddenness at his place of business yesterday (Friday) morning, of Mr. Arthur Scott, a director of Messrs. G. A. Purkis and Sons and manager of their boot and shoe department in Lower St. James's-street, where he started work over 50 years ago. Mr. Scott, who was 69 years of age and resided at 199 Carisbrooke-road, was looking through the morning letters in the shop just after 9a.m. when he collapsed and died immediately. His brother, Mr. George Scott, formerly town mason, died with equal suddenness in the reading-room of the Seely Free Library about four years ago. Mr. Arthur Scott was a very able and much esteemed business man, one of the most active members of the Earl Yarborough Lodge of Oddfellows, and a devoted worker for the Castlehold Baptist Church. He was a past provincial grand master of the Oddfellows, and a past grand and trustee of the local lodge, for which he was one of the most enthusiastic recruiters. He was a steward of the Castlehold Baptist Church and had rendered the church outstanding service in many ways. Very sincere sympathy is felt with his widow and daughter in their unexpected bereavement.

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The Late Mr. Arthur Scott.- As a post-mortem examination disclosed that it was due to natural causes, no inquest was necessary into the sudden death on Friday week of Mr. Arthur Scott, manager of Messrs. G. B. Purkis and Sons' boot and shoe department, and a prominent Oddfellow. The esteem in which he was held was evidenced by the large gathering at the funeral service in the Castlehold Baptist Church on Tuesday. The pastor (the Rev. G. Barry Morgan), who officiated, paid an eloquent tribute to his work and worth as a business man, Oddfellow, and devoted member of the Baptist Church, describing him as a man who was upright on his business, loving in his home, and faithful to his church. He mentioned that he had served as a steward of the church for many years and chairman of its special efforts committee for some 20 years. Mrs. Pilcher (organist) accompanied the singing of deceased's favourite hymn, Tennyson's "Strong Son of God," and played "O rest in the Lord" at the close. The chief mourners were Mrs. Scott (widow), Mr. and Mrs. S. Dove (son-in-law and daughter), Mr. and Mrs. W. Scott (brother and sister-in-law), Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Early (brother-in-law and sister-in-law), Mr. and Mrs. E. Scott, Mrs. H. Lower, Mr. W. H. Dove, the Misses M. and A. Scott, Mrs. T. Fletcher, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. J. Lower. and Mrs. H. Eldridge (nephews and nieces), Miss A. Jeffrey, and Messrs. F. H. J. Damp, J. B. Alderslade, E. S. Welham, and A. and B. Dove. Others attending included the Mayor and Mayoress (Ald. W. Blake, J.P., and Mrs. Blake), Messrs. F. A. Piper (secretary), S. F. Holmes (treasurer), and G. C. Russell, J.P., C.C. (choirmaster) representing the church, Mesdames Smith and Endle (directors), and Messrs. O. A. Purkis, F. McIntyre, R. L. Jones, D. Miller, and W. Niblett, Mrs. Rees, and the Misses Hendy and Leal (staff) of Messrs. Purkis and Sons, Mrs. G. A. Purkis (representing her husband who was unable to attend), and Mrs. W. Purkis. The I.W. District of Oddfellows was represented by Bro. D. A. Williams, P.G.M. (who also represented Sister I. Woodland, D.P.G.M.) and Bro. H. M. Ablitt (State Insurance secretary), the Earl Yarborough Lodge by Bros. D. Brook, N.G., W. J. Way (trustee)C. Wyatt, G. Dunford,

H. Beacon, J. A. Gray, W. J. Rugg, S. H. Burgess, R. J. Eldridge, G. Hassard, W. Jukes, P. Whiston, C. H. Cowdery, and F. F. Hollis, C.C., the Lady Adela Cochrane Lodge of Lady Oddfellows by Sisters K. Westmore, M. White (secretary), Saunders, and Reynolds, the Island District of Foresters by Bros. C. Eldridge, D.C.R., and A. J. Williams (district trustee), and the I.W. District of Rechabites by the Secretary (Bro. S. Ramage). Among those also present were Mrs. and Miss Margham, Mrs. F. Chiverton, Mr. F. Chiverton, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Heal, Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Harris, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Matthews, Mesdames G. C. Russell, S. F. Holmes, Barry Morgan, D. E. Long, C. Earley (representing her husband and nephew), J. M. and F. Sibbick, F. Ash, Nettleton, and A. W. Spanner, the Misses Damp, Abraham, and Lovelock, and Messrs. J. H. Brown, J.P., C.C., E. R. Dore, C.C., P. G. Jenkins, T.C., A. J. Taylor, G. Matthews, F. P. Abraham, R. Steel, E. A. Elliott, H. Phillips, P. Long, W. T. Collins, J.P., W. G. Sibbick, J.P., O. G. Day, T. W. Alexander, H. J. Knapp, T. Marsh (Whippingham Lodge of Oddfellows), A. J. Ballard (rRyde Lodge of Oddfellows), W. H. Croucher, W. H. Dove, W. G. Upward, G. Norman, J. F. Launder, S. W. Trowell, J. A. Hayles, F. Woods, W. A. Rugg, G. H. Kemp, and G. H. Guy. At the graveside in Carisbrooke Cemetery a guard of honour was formed by Bros. A. W. Lockhart, G. Attrill, T. Buckler, J. M. Sibbick, A. D. Callaway, and G. Ryall (Past Grands of Earl Yarborough Lodge), and Bro. A. Groves and Bro. Attrill (lecture master) read the Oddfellows' burial service.

Messrs. H. and F. Damp made the arrangements.

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