## **Hector Percy Scott**

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## **NEWPORT**

Fire Officer's Death.--Representatives of the County Fire Brigade from many parts of the Island attended the funeral service at St. John's Church yesterday for Sub-Officer Hector Percy Scott, aged 53, of 31 Chapel Street. He died on Tuesday at the Royal I.W. County Hospital. Sub-Officer Scott had spent some 35 years in the fire service in the Island and his death severs a long family connection with local fire fighting. His father, the late Mr. S. P. Scott, was a member of the old Newport part-time brigade for 30 years, retiring in 1939 as chief officer. Mr. Hector Scott joined the brigade in 1930 and served in a part-time capacity until the outbreak of the last war and the subsequent amalgamation of all brigades into the National Fire Service. He became an N.F.S. company officer and for a short time, from the end of 1941, was appointed acting column officer in charge of the island N.F.S. He remained on the full-time staff at headquarters when the brigade reverted to county control after the war. Mr. Scott and his wife had for some years kept the general store and licensed premises known as The Magnet in Chapel Street.

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