

Elizabeth Upton

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NEWPORT.

DEATH OF MISS UPTON. – The death took place at 66 The Mall, on Whit-Sunday, after only a few days' illness, of Miss Elizabeth (Bessie) Upton, daughter of the late Mr. Henry Upton, saddler and harness-maker, formerly in business in the High-street. Miss Upton, who was 75 years of age, resided on the Mall for many years with her sister, Miss E. Upton, who in her younger days was a popular elocutionist at local concerts. Miss Bessie Upton was a devoted worker in connection with the Primitive Methodist Church. For over 50 years she had been a Sunday-school teacher and Band of Hope leader, and for 17 years she acted as the hon. secretary of the Women's Missionary Federation. She also assisted her sister as registrar of the P.T.E. Society held in connection with the Congregational Church. Her pleasant and kindly nature endeared her to a wide circle of friends, who mourn her passing and deeply sympathise with her sister in her heavy bereavement. The esteem in which she was held and the general appreciation of her many helpful works were evidenced by the large attendance at the Primitive Methodist Church on Thursday, prior to the interment at Carisbrooke. The Rev. A. Sutcliffe officiated, assisted by the Rev. D. Hendy Davies, the former paying tribute to the deceased's devoted services to the church. The principal mourners were Miss E. Upton (sister), Mr. W. Upton (nephew) and Mrs. Upton, and Mr. and Mrs. H. Furmidge, of Ryde (brother-in-law and sister-in-law). About 30 beautiful floral tributes included those from the Primitive Methodist Church, the Women's Missionary Federation, and the P.T.E. Society

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