Thompson Robert White

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CARISBROOKE

DEATH OF CEMETERY CURATOR

Very great regret is felt at the death at the County Hospital on Sunday of Mr. Thompson R. White, aged 46, the respected curator of the Cemetery. Deceased's fatal illness originated in blood poisoning of the arm, for which he was removed at Christmastide to the Hospital, where there were grave developments. Deceased had been curator at the Cemetery for 14 years, during which he had won the confidence and high esteem of the Burial Committee and the public by the capable and conscientious performance of the duties, by which the Cemetery was maintained in a highly creditable condition. He had also rendered other much appreciated service in the parish, notably as a bellringer at the Parish Church. His death in the prime of life came as a shock, especially to those unaware of his illness as he had so recently been carrying on his regular work. The utmost sympathy is felt with the widow and three children left to mourn his loss.

The internment took place at Carisbrooke Cemetery on Thursday. The Rev. W.H. Mackinnon officiated, assisted by the Rev. H.S. Footman. The personal mourners were the Widow, Miss Ivy White (daughter), Mr. O. White (brother), and Messrs. G.S. Brownjohn and E. Russell (brothers-in-law), H. Phillips, F. and S. Jupe, and J. Griffin. Representatives of the Joint Burial Committee present included Messrs. H.W. Horan, T.C. (chairman), W. Blake, T.C., A.E. King, J.W. Lockhart and J.S. Brown, and Mrs. Kelly (representing the Clerk, Mr F.D. Shields, (who was prevented by illness from attending). Ald. C. Steel, and Messrs. G.F. Quinton, T.C., J.E. Dart, and W. Bullock, other members of the Committee, were prevented from attending. Amongst those also present were the Misses K. and A. Etheridge, Nurse Farthing, Mr. R. Fish, Mr. W.E. Morris, Mrs. Westmore, ex.-Insp. T. Cass, Mr. W.B. Plucknett, Mr. and Mrs. A. Plucknett, Mr. A. Morris, Miss A. and Mr. H. Bailey, Mr. H. Hurt, Mr. J. Watson, and Mr. J. Dowden.

The beautiful floral tributes included one from the Joint Burial Committee. Messrs. Damp carried out the arrangements.

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