

## **Samuel Charles Allingham**

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### **ARMY VETERAN'S DEATH**

#### **AT NEWPORT**

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The death occurred at St. Mary's Hospital on Sunday of Captain Samuel Charles Allingham, aged 82, of The Bungalow, Whitepit Lane. Mr. Allingham who had a long Army career, started as a band boy in the King's Royal Rifles in 1886, and served in the Ashanti Expedition in 1895. Altogether he served 26 years with the forces, and was awarded long service and good conduct medals. After his discharge on pension he was employed by the Office of Works for 25 years at Osborne House, being the last occupant of Swiss Cottage, and was for many years at Hampton Court Palace. On the outbreak of the first world war he re-enlisted, and served overseas in Gallipoli, Serbia, Salonica, and France. He was commissioned on the field, and was demobilised in 1919 with the rank of captain, and received a letter of thanks from the Army Council. Captain Allingham was a founder member of Molesey (Surrey) British Legion Club, but had to resign owing to ill-health. He formerly lived at Molesey before coming to the Island, where he had his own house built in Whitepit Lane. The funeral, on Wednesday at St. John's Church, was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. S. F. Cooper). The family mourners were Messrs. F. and W. Bull (brothers-in-law), Miss L. Bull (sister-in-law, also representing the widow, Mrs. S. Allingham), and Miss E. Wright (niece, representing Mrs. Wright, sister-in-law). The interment followed at Carisbrooke Cemetery. Messrs. O. C. Hamilton and Son made the arrangements.

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