

Arthur Robert Ashby

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Death of Mr. A. R. Ashby.- The death took place on Friday week at his residence, 4 Holyrood-street, of Mr. Arthur Robert Ashby, aged 63, who for about 40 years had been in business as a scale maker and agent and tobacconist. Mr. Ashby had been in failing health for a long time, but was seriously ill for only three weeks. Much sympathy is felt with his widow and two daughters in their bereavement. Mr. Ashby was a clever mechanic who was well known throughout the Island by his long association with the scale providing and repairing business. He was also prominent as a bowler, being a member of the Newport and Newport Indoor Clubs. His wife and daughters shared his interest in the game and have often competed at the Ryde tournaments. He was a member of the Literary Society and the Liberal Club, a vice-president of the Brotherhood and the Football Club, and a director of Messrs. A. W. Abraham and Company. The funeral took place on Tuesday, there being a large gathering of friends, including bowlers from all parts of the Island, at the service in the Quay-street Methodist Church. The Rev. W. E. Perry officiated and the organist (Mr. W.G. Bartlett) accompanied the hymns "The King of Love" and "Thine for ever," and played "I know that my Redeemer liveth" at the close. Mr. Perry referred to the great courage with which Mr. Ashby had borne his long and painful illness. The mourners were Mrs. Ashby, Miss Ashby (daughter), Mr. and Mrs. E. Matthews (son-in-law and daughter), Mrs. Friggis (sister), Mr. J. and Miss M. Glover (brother-in-law and sister-in-law), Messrs. W. T. Collins, A. H. Cooke, J. Hedley, and L. Buckler and the Misses Hancock and Gawler (employees). Others attending included Messrs. G. C. Russell, E. V. Harvey, and S. F. Holmes (fellow directors), and D. Abraham, A. E. Allee and C. J. Smart (staff), of Messrs. A. W. Abraham and Company, Messrs. J. B. Alderslade (president) and W. E. Voaden (hon. secretary), of the Newport Literary Society, Mr. G. H. Snellgrove (Liberal Club), Messrs. C. Wyatt, W. S. North, C. J. Cooper, G. Wale, W. Nolan, and W. E. Matthews (Newport Brotherhood), Messrs. W. Wilford (president of the Ventnor Bowling Club, also representing Mr. F. G. Webb, president of the County Bowling Association), G. H. Ballinger (also representing Mr. H. E. Day, the immediate past president of the County Bowling Association), and W. Kearney (Cowes Bowling Club), G. A. Purkis, B. Cooper, and G. H. Woodmore (Newport Bowling Club), E. P. Cowlshaw, A. J. Norman, J. Hart, W. Burden, and N. Greenham (Ryde Bowling Club), H. J. Cooper (Sandown Bowling Club), W. A. Wright (Shanklin Bowling Club), F. Goatley (Medina Bowling Club), F. J. Rogers (Totland Bay Bowling Club), and R. C. Groves (Freshwater Bay Bowling Club), Mr. H. A. Williams (Newport Football Club), Mr. G. H. Arthur (president I.W. Football Association), Mr. and Mrs. R. Jackman (East Cowes), Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Downer, Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Gracey, Mr. and Mrs. W. G Cooper and Mrs. Odell, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Flint (Yarmouth), Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Layley, Mrs. and Miss Morris, Mr. and Mrs. H. Morris, Mr. and Mrs. T. Nobbs, Mrs. Collins, Mrs. Scott, Mrs. New, the Misses Young and Gill-Martin, and Messrs. w. J. Rugg, E. R. Dore, G. Norman, J. F. Launder, E. Harley, P. J. Croucher, W. H. Sheath, A. Cheek, F. G. Burton, O. G. Day, W. Humphy, H. J. Heal, W. Matthews, W. A. Hurst, S. V. Croucher, J. R. Wise, S. A. Porter, and W. G. B. Weeks. Mr. W. M. Alderslade was prevented from attending by indisposition. The interment was at Carisbrooke Cemetery. Messrs. H. and F. Damp made the arrangements.

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