Eve Julia Brettell

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Resident's Sudden Death.—The funeral service took place at the Quay Street Methodist Church, Newport, on Thursday for Mrs. Eve Julia Brettell, aged 62, of 16 Castle Hill, who was found dead at her home the previous Thursday. Mrs. Brettell had lived in the Island for over 60 years, having been born at Southampton. She spent most of that time in the district, and resided at Castle Hill for some 30 years. Educated at Brading and the Newport Church of England School, she was in domestic service with Lady Mountbatten in her early life. During the last year she became well-known by succeeding her father, Mr. George Newman, and carrying out a postal delivery round on a bicycle. She enjoyed cycling and continued to use her bicycle until after the war. An active member of the Quay Street Methodist Church, Mrs. Brettell had an enthusiastic interest in both the senior and junior choirs and other aspects of church work. She had recently taken over the post of secretary of the Carisbrooke Labour Party, of which she was a member for many years. The Rev. W. H. Read officiated and interment was in Carisbrooke Cemetery. The mourners were Mr. Brettell (husband), Mr. K. W. Brettell (son), Mr. W. Hughes (brotherin-law), Mr. and Mrs. J. Dibbens and Mr. D. Gould (cousins), Mrs. A. Pittman, and many friends. The local Labour Party were represented and members of the senior and junior choirs decorated the church. Messrs. O. C. Hamilton and Son made the arrangements.

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