

Charles Edwin Coward

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CARISBROOKE.

DEATH OF WELL KNOWN LOCAL BOOTMAKER. – We regret to record the death, on Tuesday week, of Mr. Charles Edwin Coward, of 11 High-street. The late Mr. Coward, who was 74 years of age, had with his brother, Mr. Albert Coward, carried on the well known bootmaker's business of Messrs. W. Coward and Sons at 12 High-street, with which the family has been associated for over a century. Of a quiet nature, the deceased was a highly respected resident and was an expert in the art of bootmaking. He had sent examples of his work all over the country and he made many of the riding boots of officers who fought at Kut and in the South African War. He was a specialist in making boots for crippled persons, and his skill brought great relief to many who were afflicted. He was a regular worshipper at the Holyrood-hall. Much sympathy is extended to the widow, who had been deceased's partner in life for over 49 years, and they would have celebrated their golden wedding in August next. The funeral took place on Saturday at Carisbrooke Cemetery, conducted by Messrs. W. Tyler, J. Lock, and E. A. Walmesley, of the Holyrood-hall. The mourners were the widow, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Coward, Mr. and Mrs. L. Coward, and Mr. and Mrs. R. Coward (son and daughters-in-law). Mrs. W. H. Webber (daughter), Mr. A. Coward (brother), Messrs. W. and C. Coward (nephews), Mr. A. and Miss A. Coward (cousins), and Mrs. Channon (sister-in-law).

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