

John Henry Goodman

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CARISBROOKE

Death of Mr. J. H. Goodman.—A respected resident has been lost to the district by the death at South View, Gunville-road, on Friday week of Mr. James Henry Goodman, at the age of 80. He had been ailing for some time, but only took to his bed a fortnight before he passed away. A native of Newport, he was for some time in the employ of Shepard Bros., and at the Cement Works before removing to Wandsworth, where for the next 32 years he was employed by the South Metropolitan Gas Company. While at Newport he took a keen interest in the Quay-street Methodist Church as a member of the choir and assisted in most of its activities. He maintained his interest in the denomination by joining the Wandsworth Methodist Chapel and became a trustee and Sunday-school superintendent, serving that church most faithfully until he returned to the Island upon retirement in 1925.

On taking up residence in Carisbrooke he devoted his interest to the Carisbrooke Methodist Church, of which he was Sunday-school superintendent for a time, and a trustee at the time of his death. Apart from Church work, Mr. Goodman's chief interest lay in gardening, and he skillfully maintained a large garden to the last. Sincere sympathy is felt with the widow, to whom he was married nearly 55 years ago, and a son and daughter. The funeral at the Quay-street Methodist Church on Tuesday was conducted by the Rev. H. W. Hamon (superintendent of the West Wight Circuit). Mr. Hamon paid a high tribute to the deceased's long and devoted service for God and eulogised his sterling qualities. Mr. W. Cooper presided at the organ and accompanied the singing of the hymns "Guide me, O Thou great Jehovah", and "Jerusalem, my happy home".

The family mourners were the widow, Mr. S. Goodman, of London (son), Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Elliott (son-in-law and daughter), Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Elliott, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Draper and Miss G. Elliott (grandchildren), Mrs. H. Brett, Mrs. Gale, and Mrs. Humber (sisters-in-law), Mr. H. Brett, Mr. T. Byrne, and Mr. J. Rowlinson, of Cambridge (brothers-in-law) and Mrs. Budge, of London.

Others present included Mr. and Mrs. T. Sheen, of Freshwater (the former being a fellow employee of the South Metropolitan Gas Company), Mr. M. Caws, Mrs. W. G. Cooper, Miss P. Cole, Mrs., Miss D., and Master E. Goodchild, Miss Moorman, Mrs. White, Miss Alderslade, Miss Downer, Miss Cave, Miss Young, Mr. P. Croucher, Mr. and Mrs. V. Wadham, of Wootton (the former also representing the Mrs. J. Wadham, senior), Mr. E. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Lailey, Mr. L. G. Phillips, Mr. A. Sibbeck, and Mr. C. Sheen, junior.

The interment was in Carisbrooke Cemetery. Messrs. O. C. Hamilton and Son were the undertakers. — Mrs. Goodman, daughter, and son wish to express thanks for flowers and kind letters of sympathy.

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