John William Hawbrook

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RAILWAY WORKER'S DEATH. - The deepest sympathy is felt with Mrs. Hawbrook, of 30 Medina-avenue, in the death of her husband, Mr. John William Hawbrook, which occurred rather suddenly at his home on Saturday. Deceased, who was only 33, and was employed on the Southern Railway at the Ryde workshops, complained of a chill on Friday and died after only a few hours' illness. He was a native of Doncaster, having learnt his trade of a wagon builder on the Great Northern Railway. On coming to the Island 10 years ago he worked at Newport for the I.W. Central and Southern Railway Companies, being transferred to Ryde three years ago. Last year he experienced a severe illness. The funeral took place on Wednesday, the first part of the service being conducted at St. John's Church by the Rev. W. H. Mackinnon (vicar).... Fellow railwaymen acted as bearers and a number followed in procession as a last tribute to the memory of an esteemed workmate. The interment was at Carisbrooke Cemetery. The personal mourners were Mrs. Hawbrook (widow), Mr. and Mrs. W. Hawbrook (parents), Mr. Bramworth (brother-in-law), of Doncaster, Mr. H. Glassey, Mr. Fred Glassey (brother-in-law), Mrs. Glassey (sister-in-law), of Southampton, Mr. and Mrs. Hayward (brother and sister-in-law). Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Glassey (father-in-law and mother-in-law) and Mrs. Bramworth (sister), of Doncaster, were unable to attend through illness. The bearers were Messrs. J. Bull, F. Daish, W. Woodmore, and E. Jackman, and the railwaymen also present were Messrs. R. H. Sweetman (foreman of the Ryde shop), A. Fosbrook, C. Snellgrove, C. Tiley, and L. Pratchett, Signalman Hooper, and porters L. King and C. Eldridge, and H. Leal (engineers' department). Mr. E. W. Landon, J.P., represented the branch of the National Union of Railwaymen. The large number of wreaths included tributes from his colleagues on the Southern Railway and workmates at the Ryde shops.

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