Lewis Charles Niblett

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Death of Mr. L. C. Niblett. – An old and much esteemed resident of the village passed away on Saturday after a very long illness borne with exemplary fortitude, in the person of Mr. Lewis Charles Niblett, of the Post Office Cottage, who was 74 years of age. A local man, Mr. Niblett took over the village carpentry and wheelwright's business here nearly 40 years ago and carried it on until his health failed. For 13 years he had been almost a helpless invalid from paralysis, and for the last nine years he had been unable to leave his bed. During that long time he was cared for with skilful devotion by his wife, who is left to mourn him, together with two sons and three daughters. Mr. Niblett at one time took a helpful interest in local affairs. He was a member of the Gatcombe Parish Council for 18 years, until failing health caused his retirement in 1918, and for a while was one of the Council's representatives on the Carisbrooke and Gatcombe Joint Burial Board, being chairman of the board for a year. He was a man much liked by all who knew him and everyone admired his wonderful spirit of resignation and unfailing cheerfulness during much suffering.

The funeral took place at Carisbrooke Cemetery on Wednesday afternoon, the Rector of Gatcombe (the Rev. J. W. F. Wayet) officiating. The mourners were the widow, Mr. C. Niblett (son), the Misses A. and E. Niblett (daughters), Mr. and Mrs. F. Niblett (son and daughter-in-law), Mr. F. Stagg (son-in-law), Mrs. W. Butchers (sister), Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Sibbick (brother-in-law), Messrs. E., W. G., and A. Sibbick (brothers-in-law), Mrs. F. Downer (niece), Mr. H. I. Digby (representing the head postmaster at Newport), Mr. A. Henton (Loverstone), Mr. H. P. Morris (Billingham), Mr. and Mrs. A. Brown (Newbridge), Mr. T. H. and Miss Alexander, Mr. W. Newman, Mr. T. Westmore, Mr. S. Allen, Mesdames W. Sibbick, C. C. Cursons, F. Viney, and Robbins, and the Misses B. Viney and J. Greening, Mrs. F. Stagg (daughter) was prevented from attending by indisposition. Mr. A. Westmore made the arrangements.

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