

Louisa Emma Parsons

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Nonagenarian's Death- The death occurred on Wednesday, after a brief illness, of Mrs. Louisa Emma Parsons, of 128 Gunville Road, who was in her 99th year. A native of the Island, Mrs. Parsons was educated here and in Switzerland, where she spent several years as a young girl before her marriage at the age of 18. She had many vivid childhood recollections of Queen Victoria's days at Osborne, where her uncle was a gatekeeper. She could remember informal meetings with the Queen in the royal grounds. Mrs. Parsons had been a widow for about 28 years, her husband having been in the employ of Messrs. Mew, Langton and Co., Ltd., by whom her son, Mr. J. Parsons, is now employed in the building department. For Mr. Parsons his mother's death, following that of his wife, is the second bereavement within two weeks. Mrs. Parsons had 14 children, four dying in infancy and five boys and five girls surviving, of whom one son was killed in the first world war, and two sons and three daughters are still living. For many years of her married life she lived at Thornton Cottage, Hunnyhill, where she took a keen pleasure in gardening. In spite of her age, which made her one of the oldest residents in the district, Mrs. Parsons lead an active life, shopping in Newport less than nine years ago. She spent a happy Christmas with her son and family at 55 Crocker Street, as she had done since her husband's death, and was only taken ill on Sunday. For the last six years she had lived with her daughter, Miss L. M. Parsons. The funeral will take place to-day.

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The Late Mrs. L. E. Parsons- The funeral took place on Saturday of Mrs. Louisa Emma Parsons, aged 98, of 128 Gunville Road, whose death occurred the previous Wednesday. A service at the cemetery chapel was conducted by the Rev. S. F. Cooper. The mourners were Mr. and Mrs. H. Parsons (son and daughter-in-law), Mr. A. Parsons (son), Mr. and Mrs. R. Cantelo and Mr. and Mrs. F. Robinson (sons-in-law and daughters), Mesdames D. Dury and J. Banks, the Misses M. and J. Parsons, Mr. and Mrs. H. Daish, and Messrs. W. Parsons and F. Robinson, jnr. (grandchildren). The arrangements were made by Messrs. O. C. Hamilton.

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