## **Emma Upton**

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## **NEWPORT**

## SUDDEN DEATH OF MISS EMMA UPTON

The death occurred rather suddenly on Monday morning at her residence, 66 Alexandraterrace, of Miss Emma Upton, aged 82, the last surviving member of the family of the late Mr. Henry Upton, who was formerly in business in the High-street as a saddler. Miss Upton had been a lifelong devoted worker in the Congregational church, where for many years she was hon. Treasurer of the P.T.E. In her younger days she was an exceptionally popular entertainer on local platforms as an elocutionist. She had a remarkable memory and was equally at home in reciting both poetry and prose.

The funeral was on Thursday, the first part of the service being in the Congregational church and the interment in Carisbrooke Cemetery. The Rev. R. E. R. Langridge officiated and paid tribute to the deceased lady's earnest and untiring efforts on behalf of the church. She was, he said, one of their oldest members, and her membership did not stop at being in her place on Sundays. From its inception 50 years ago the P.T.E. had had the benefit of her faithful service, latterly for many years as registrar and treasurer. Their sympathy went out to the relatives, and especially to her niece who after travelling from South Africa had set foot in this country only on the day that she died. The mourners were Mr. W. Upton (nephew), Mrs. Guy (niece), and Mrs. W. Upton. Those also present included Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Harrison, Mr. J. H. Dufton, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Hayles, Mr. F. E. Whitcher, J.P., Mrs. T. E. R. Langridge, Mr. J. F. Launder, Mrs. P. W. Boxall, Mr. W. S. North, Mrs. J. H. Flux, Mr. J. W. Head, Miss Young, Mr. and Mrs. W. Upward, Mrs. Creighton, Mr. C. Cowdery, Miss Knowles, Mr. F. Chiverton, Miss Hay, Mrs. H. Porter (representing Mrs. Webster), and the Misses E. and M. Attrill. Members of the P.T.E. present included Mesdames Wheeler, Deller, Richards, Cantelo, Rackett, Dore, Angell, J. Sibbick, Grist, Matthews, C. Leal, G. Westmore, Coleman, Girling, and Mew, and the Misses G. Cheverton (hon. Secretary) and Brown. The wreaths included one from the P.T.E. Society.

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