Frank Edward Cheverton

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WELL KNOWN NEWPORT RAILWAYMAN'S DEATH.

A popular and highly respected employee of the Southern Railway in the Island has been removed by the death, after a short illness at his residence, 47 Hunnyhill, Newport, on Tuesday of Mr. Frank Edward Cheverton. Deceased, who was 56 years of age, had been in railway service mainly as an engine driver for about 40 years, 29 of which had been with the I.W. Central, and Freshwater, Yarmouth, and Newport Railway Companies, and the remainder with the Southern.

He was a prominent member of the Railway Institute and had been an efficient organiser of whist drives in connection with it and for the County Hospital whist championship. His loss will be keenly felt, especially amongst his fellow workmen, and sincere sympathy is felt with the widow and family in their sad loss.

The funeral took place yesterday (Friday), and was attended by a large number of railway employees from all departments. The first part of the service was held in the Parish Church, conducted by the Rev. J. F. S. Glynn (vicar). The interment followed at the Newport Cemetery.

The family mourners were the widow, Mr. and Mrs. A. Cheverton (son and daughter-in-law), Mr. and Mrs. Sims (son-in-law and daughter), Miss D. Cheverton (daughter), Messrs. C., F., and A. Cheverton (brothers), Mrs. A. Cheverton (sister-in-law), Mr. W. Cooper (half-brother), Mr. and Mrs. E. Groves, of Devizes (uncle and aunt), Mesdames C. Niblett and R. Mills (cousins), and Mr. and Mrs. D. Marshall.

A procession of about 50 of his fellow employees joined in the cortege from the house to the church, where they formed a guard of honour. Messrs. H. Wall, G. Pocock, and C. Eldridge (traffic department) and H. R. Watson, R. F. Southwell, and W. Barber (locomotive department) were the pall-bearers, and those in the procession were Messrs. A. Holdaway (station-master, Newport), H. Hill (station-master, Cowes), A. Wheway (station-master, Sandown), and E. W. Landon, J.P. (secretary Newport branch N.U.R.), Inspector H. Ledger, and Inspector G. Tanner.

The following representatives of the various departments attended: Locomotive, Messrs. C. Linington, J.P., L. Hogsflesh (the deceased's engine mate), A. E. Smart, W. W. Baines, R. Hollands, W. Gear, R. Beavis, F. Handley, C. W. Miller, W. Coleman, G. Ellis, J. Bradford, and W. Cole: signal and telegraph department, F. Rodaway; stores department, W. Doughty and A. Pile; traffic, G. Eves (hon. secretary, Railway Institute), J. Fish, G. Brown, H. and C. Prangnell, H. Woodford, W. Day, W. Symes, A. Jolliffe, H. Hale, V. Taylor, H. J. Hooper, R. Gallop, H. Matthews, C. Newnham, W. Angel, G. Tester, and H. Dore. Mr. E. C. Prismall represented the Divisional Office, and Mrs. H. Matthews represented Carisbrooke W.I., of which Mrs. Cheverton is a member.

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