

## William Clarke

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### NEWPORT

**DEATH OF Mr. W. CLARKE.**- The death of Mr. William Clarke, of 3 Crocker-street, which occurred on Monday at the age of 56 years, will be regretted by all with whom he had come into contact. A man of splendid physique and of amiable disposition, he had a wide circle of friends. His health had been failing since May. Mr. Clarke was the only son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Charles Clarke, of Newport, and practically all his working life was spent in the service of Messrs. W. B. Mew, Langton, and Co. He succeeded his father as stable foreman, and discharged his duties with great efficiency. During the war he served with the R.A.V.C. in Salonika, and attained the rank of sergeant. He has since taken an active interest in the branch of the British Legion, and for some years was the standard-bearer. He was second mace-bearer to the Corporation. Mr. Clarke gave valued assistance to the branch of the Conservative Association. Besides the widow, a son and a daughter are left in bereavement. The funeral was at the Quay-street Methodist Church on Friday, when the Rev. J. Higman officiated. The mourners present were: Mrs. Clarke (widow), Mr. W. C. Clarke (son), Miss D. Clarke (daughter), Mr. and Mrs. Bulstrode (brother-in-law and sister), Mr. J. and Mr. E. Matthews (brothers-in-law), Mr. and Mrs. J. Lockhart (brother-in-law and sister-in-law), Miss D. Bulstrode (niece), Mrs. Evemy, and Miss Buckingham. The coffin was draped with the Union Jack, and the bearers were Messrs. R. W. Emmett, J. Hastelow, C. Evemy, B. Newnham, H. Pittman, and H. Cheverton (of the staff of Messrs. W. B. Mew, Langton, and Co.). Other representatives of the firm included Mr. A. H. C. Tanner and Mr. R. A. W. Tutte. Mr. C. Ewens carried the standard of the branch of the British Legion, and other members of the branch present were Capt. J. S. Brown (vice-president), and representing the Corporation in place of the Mayor, (who was unable to attend), Mr. F. R. Guy (secretary), and Messrs. C. Pragnell, E. F. Millgate, A. B. White, E. J. Willis, A. Cuthbert, W. Newman, W. H. Baker, and H. J. Damp. The women's section was represented by Mrs. Salter, and Mrs. Sheath. Captain H. A. Drudge represented Captain P. D. Macdonald, M.P., and also the Conservative and Unionist Association, and Mrs. Dudley (ward secretary, Newport Conservative association) also attended. Others present were Mrs. G. Burton, Mrs. F. Burton, Mrs. W. Wadham, Miss Bulstrode, Mrs. Pragnell, Mrs. Brown, Town-Sergt. W. Phillips, Mr. E. J. Kemp, Mrs. Howard, Mr. G. Snow, J.P., Mr. G. A. Craddock, and Messrs. C. V. Cheverton and L. H. Morgan (joint secretaries, Earl Yarborough Lodge of Oddfellows). There were many beautiful wreaths, including those from the Newport and Carisbrooke branch, British Legion; Conservative Association; Captain Peter and Lady Jean Macdonald; directors of the Royal Brewery; Royal Brewery staff; Royal Brewery head office staff; and Royal Brewery building department.

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