John White Gibbs

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NEWPORT

Death of Mr. J. W. Gibbs.- The death occurred on Saturday at his residence, 24 Clarenceroad, Newport, of Mr. John White Gibbs, aged 71. Mr. Gibbs was the fuel overseer for Newport. He was a pioneer of the St. John's Ambulance Brigade, of which he was superintendent for a number of years. In early days he was on the audit staff of the I.W. Central Railway, and was afterwards connected with Messrs. Croucher. A deacon of the Congregational Church, he was secretary of the Sunday-school for some 30 years. He leaves two sons, one being in the Navy, and a daughter. The funeral took place in the Congregational Church on Thursday, the Rev. T. E. R. Langridge officiating. A hymn was sung, and the organist (Mr. A. Mearman) played Chopin's "Marche Funebre." The mourners were Mr. W. S. Gibbs (son), Mrs. K. W. Godwin (daughter), Mr. K. W. Godwin (son-in-law), Mrs. G. Moorman (niece), Mr. F. Peck (brother-in-law), Mrs. C. Jolliffe (niece), Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Hayles (brother-in-law and sister-in-law), Mr. J. Harding (nephew), Mrs. Whits, and Mr. and Mrs. H. Godwin. Amongst those representing the Foresters were: Messrs. C. Eldridge (trustee), A. J. Williams (treas), S. D. Goddard (district secretary), and G. F. Jones, P.C.R., Mesdames, H. Buckler, N. G. Graham, Cousins, Cheverton, and Thompson, and Miss A. Young, Mr. Avery Whitfield (also representing Mr. J. Aitchison, fuel overseer), J. Wearing (Ventnor), Mr. A. W. Sims (representing Mr. Gerald Gardiner, fuel overseer, Sandown-Shanklin), Mr. A. J. White (representing Mr. T. G. Hale, Cowes), Mr. A. G. Harrison (church secretary) and Mrs. Harrison, the Mayor (Ald. W. Blake, J.P.), Mr. E. H. Hardy (Westmore Coal and Trading Company), Mr. E. W. Landon, J.P. (area inspector, Southern Railway), Mr. A. L. Smith (Wray and Sons), Mr. H. R. Milman (assistant fuel overseer), Ald. F. E. Whitcher, Messrs. H. W. Lincoln, T.C., P. G. Jenkins, T.C., J. F. Launder, T.C., K. E. Miller, J. Kirby, W. Reynolds, P. Ray, F. Turnham, W. Upward and W. Hayles, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Urry, Mr. and Mrs. F. Scovell, Mr. C. and Miss Martin, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Way, Miss Muriel and Lieut. L. G. Way, Mesdames F. Upton, E. Millward, E. Munden, Wills, J. H. Flux, and J. Goulding, and the Misses M. Smith and F. Urry. P.O. A. V. Gibbs, R.N. (son), being on active service was unable to attend, also Mr. L. Jordan, J.P., was unavoidably prevented from attending.

- The family of the late Mr. J. W. Gibbs wish to thank Dr. Heathcote, Nurses Cooper and Richards, and Mrs. Rogers (night nurse) for their kind attention, Mrs. White for her kindness and untiring help, also all relatives and friends for kindness, sympathy, and beautiful flowers sent.

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