Henry Greening

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FATAL ACCIDENT AT BOHEMIA CORNER.

WELL KNOWN LOCAL PREACHER'S DEATH.

Widespread regret has been evoked by the distressing accidental death of Mr. Henry Greening, of St. Beuna, Mill-street, Newport, a well-known and very capable local preacher, speaker at P.S.A. and other meetings, and a valued worker in Island Christian organisations. Deceased was employed as traveller for the firm of Messrs. Caws and Co., provision merchants, of Newport, and on Thursday afternoon of last week he was riding in his employers' motor-van at Bohemia-corner, between Rookley and Godshill, when a collision occurred between the van and a governess-car, driven by Mrs. Rolf, of Span Farm, with the result that a shaft of the latter vehicle struck the deceased in the lower part of the body, causing internal injuries, to which he succumbed on Friday night. Deceased, who formerly resided at Wootton, leaves a widow and family, for whom the deepest sympathy is felt.

The inquest was held on Tuesday by the Deputy Coroner, F. A. Joyce, Esq., at the Castlehold Schoolroom, Newport. Mr. H. E. Stratton appeared for Messrs. Caws and Co., Mr. Caws also being present, Mr. James Eldridge represented Mrs. Rolf, who was present with her husband, and Insp. H. Sibbeck represented the police. Mr. G. H. Horsley was foreman of the jury.

Charles Paskins, of Stephenson's-road, Cowes, brother-in-law of deceased, gave evidence of identification and said deceased had gone too far when he saw him to explain the circumstances of the accident. He was 44 years of age.

George Thomas, cab driver, of Hungerberries Cottage, Westhill, Shanklin, employed by Mrs. Bartlett, of Shanklin,

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