Rev. Nicholas Kelynack

1901 census, 1 Thorncliffe Grove, Chorlton upon Medlock, South Manchester

Theophilus N Kellynack Head 34 Consulting Physician Wells, Somerset

Nicholas Kellynack Father 63 Wesleyan Minister (Retired) Newlyn, Penyance, Cornwall

William L Kellynack Brother 21 Undergraduate at Cambridge London, Middlesex Emma Hughes Servant 18 Domestic Housemaid Madeley, Staffordshire

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Death of the Rev. N. Kelynack

We regret to record the death, at his residence, The Homestead, Bournemouth West, on Monday, in his 73rd year, of the Rev. Nicholas Kelynack, well known and highly esteemed in Newport and other parts of the Island. The deceased gentleman, a Cornishman by birth and long descent, entered the ministry of the Wesleyan Methodist Church in 1860, and was appointed to Newport in 1861. Four years later he married Anne Wesley, youngest daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dore, well remembered and much respected at Newport. With the exception of one year spent on a tour round the world for the benefit of his health in 1889, the late Mr. Kelynack remained in active ministerial work until 1894, holding important charges in Bristol, Manchester, London, and other centres, and he will be pleasantly remembered as a genial and diligent pastor, an eloquent and convincing preacher, and a well-beloved friend of children. Under the nom de plume of "Old Cornish", he was the author of a number of books and booklets, some of which deal picturesquely with Cornish characteristics and life in the "Delectable Duchy." His only brother, the late Rev. William Kelynack, D.D., was principal of Newington College, Sydney, and was once president for the Australasian Wesleyan Conference. Impaired health had necessitated his retirement from regular pastoral work and preaching engagements for some years, during which time he was often at Newport, but since 1908 he have lived at Bournemouth. The funeral took place at Newport on Thursday, the first part of the service being conducted at the Wesleyan Methodist Church, and the interment at Newport Cemetery. The service was conducted by the Rev. R.J. Clifton, an old friend of the deceased, from Banbury, assisted by the Rev. S. Mort. The family mourners were the widow, Dr. T. N. Kelynack, Miss Kelynack, Mr. A. Dore Kelynack, the Rev. W. and Mrs. Kelynack, Mrs. T. N. Kelynack, Mrs. A. Dore Kelynack, the Rev. John Wills (nephew), and the Rev. Charles D. Thomas. There were also present the Revs. W. H. Spencer and J. Dickeson, Messrs. E.H.F. Payn, C. Webb (ex-Mayor of Newport), A. J. Snellgrove, J.P., W. Wells, G. Young, H. Spanner, J.W. Marshall, and A. Elderfield, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Deacon, Mrs. B. Vibert, Mrs. Pearce, Miss Cooper, Messrs. H. M Morris, Ernest Morris, and F. Morris. The organist (Mr. E. J. H. Quarrier) played "I know that my Redeemer liveth," the hymns "O god, our help, in ages past," and "The sands of time are sinking" were sung, and "O rest in the Lord" was played as the coffin was borne from the church. The Rev. R. J. Clifton, in the course of a touching address, referred to the deceased as one of the purest-minded and most affectionate men he had ever known. He could not recall one single word which the late Mr. Kelynack had uttered which indicated anything but that which was "pure, lovely, and of good report." "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God," not at the end of the pilgrimage only, but as the pilgrimage proceeded. The late Mr. Kelynack threw his home and heart open to him (the preacher), and had loved him with a love which he would not be able to return. He taught them much by his silence, for he did not wear his heart upon his sleeve. He was very reserved except to those who know him intimately, but in his own home how free and open, tender, and beautiful he was. He wore the white flower of a blameless life, and they thanked God for all He gave to him and for all he was able to give to the church. Floral tributes were sent by his beloved wife, "Only goodnight, not farewell"; Hettie (daughter); Theo, Violet, and little Peg; Bert and Elsie; little Muriel; Will and Lil; Olivia (sister); Sarah Jane Thomas; Mr. and Mrs. H. Scott; Mrs. Hardy and family; Mr. and Mrs. N. Whitefield Raw; Mr. and Mrs. Hayman and family; Herbert Groves; Mrs. W. Athelstan Blaxland and Jacinth, Messrs. H. and F. Damp carried out the funeral arrangements at Newport.

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