

## Alexander Sebastian Leonard Scadding

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### NEWPORT

**Death of Mr. Alex. Scadding.** — His many friends throughout the Island will regret to hear of the death of Mr. Alexander Scadding, organist and piano tuner, which occurred on Wednesday at his residence, 31 Holyrood-street. He had been in failing health for the last two years, but the end came rather unexpectedly. Mr. Scadding, who was 64, was the second son of the late Mr. William Scadding, organist of the Parish Church and of the Royal Chapel at Osborne in the days of Queen Victoria. He studied the organ and the mechanics of the profession under his father, and was head of the long established firm of Scadding and Sons, having an extensive practice in the Island as a piano and organ tuner. He inherited the family gift for music and for 26 years was the very able organist of St. John's Church. He had continued the long royal associations of the firm by tuning H.R.H. Princess Beatrice's piano at Carisbrooke Castle. Mr. Scadding's professional abilities and his unfailing geniality and courtesy won him many friends, who mourn the loss of a cheery companion and sympathise with his brothers and sisters in their bereavement. The funeral took place yesterday (Friday), the service being held in the Parish Church. The officiating clergy were the Vicar (the Rev. W. M. B. Hogg) and the Rev. W. H. Mackinnon (Vicar of St. John's). Mr. A. H Griffiths, A.R.C.M., was at the organ, and the choir led the singing of the hymns "Peace, perfect peace" and "Sun of my soul" and the chanting of Psalm 23. The chief mourners were Miss. M. Scadding and Mrs. F. Osborne (sisters), Messrs. George and Gilbert Scadding (brothers), Mrs. Gilbert Scadding (sister-in-law), Miss M. Osborne (niece), Mr. A. Scadding (nephew), Mrs. A. Chambers, and Mr. R. Way. Others attending included Mr. and Mrs. Gaster, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Dore, the Misses Statham, Mr. and Mrs. H. Collyer, Mrs. T. B. Adams,, Mrs. Young, Miss Osborne, Mrs. Urry, Miss D. Welby Pryer, the Rev. Father Nye, of Totland Bay, and Messrs. J. H. Black, J. H. James, E. R. Dore, C.C., C. W. A. Hale, J. Grahame Withers, E. W. Way, S. C. Wadham, G. R. Barrett, W. P. Thomson, E. J. H. Quarrier, G. E. Tomlinson, M. L. Whitworth (Messrs. Murdoch and Co.), L. Belben, W. V. Tyler, S. Cooper, and W. Upton. The interment followed at Newport Cemetery and 22 floral tributes were placed on the grave. Messrs. W. H. Bullock and Son made the arrangements.

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### NEWPORT

**Royal Sympathy.** — H.R.H. Princess Beatrice has written to Miss Scadding expressing her sympathy in the death of Mr. Alex Scadding, and saying "your brother's careful work at Carisbrooke Castle has always been greatly appreciated."

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