

Mary Elizabeth Sparrow

1911 Census St Aubyns, Staplers, Nr Newport, I of W

Hannah Parker	Head	63	No occupation	Wareside, Hertfordshire
Mary E Sparrow	Boarder	60	No occupation	St George Hanover Sq, London

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NEWPORT

VALUED CHURCH WOMAN'S DEATH. – St. Paul's, Barton, has lost a very valued worker, and the poor of the parish a good friend, by the death, on Saturday, of Miss Mary Elizabeth Sparrow, of St. Aubyns, Staplers, at the age of 66. The deceased had been an active and most faithful worker in St. Paul's parish for well over a quarter of a century. She founded and managed the St. Paul's Blanket, Clothing, and Shoe Club, which proved of immeasurable benefit to the poor, and some estimate of the extent of her work in this connection may be gathered from the fact that she had received £2075 in small payments, and had purchased 1250 blankets. Her last balance-sheet showed that the takings for the year were £131 6s. 5d. She also rendered splendid work for many years as a Sunday-school teacher and district visitor, and for a long time she was responsible for the management of the *Parish Magazine* Fund. Much sympathy is felt with the relatives in the loss of one so eminently useful in good works. The funeral took place on Wednesday, the first part of the service being in St. Paul's Church, and the interment at the new Cemetery for Barton, the Rev. Miles Atkinson (vicar) officiating. The deceased's brothers, Messrs. F. H. and James Sparrow, who had travelled from Reading, were unable to arrive in time for the funeral, owing to missing the boat connection at Southampton, and the personal mourners were Mrs. Hicks and Mr. A. H. Dockrill (executors). The scholars of deceased's class and other pupils of the Sunday-school attended, with Major and Mrs. Henry J. Way (superintendent), and Miss Way, Mrs. Bishop, Mrs. W. W. Dore, the Misses Hazard and others from the staff of the school, and those present included Miss Atkinson, Mrs. W. H. Nutter, Miss Hear, Mr. and Mrs. Edward W. Way, Mrs. A. B. Dockrill, Mrs. D. Morgan, Mrs. Warne, Mrs. Moody, Mr. A. Orman (church-warden), Mr. W. Snellgrove, Mr. H. Snellgrove, Mr. Leslie Dore, Mr. H. Allen, and other representatives of parochial institutions with which deceased was associated.... Messrs. Damp carried out the funeral arrangements.

Miss Parker and Mrs. Hicks desire to return thanks to the numerous sympathisers with them in their recent trouble by the loss of Miss Sparrow.

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