Alfred Blow

1901 census, 66 Crocker Street, Newport

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NEWPORT

VETERAN VOLUNTEER'S DEATH. – The death occurred early this week of Mr. Alfred Blow, aged 76, an old inhabitant of the borough, who for many years was a member of the old Island Rifle Volunteers in which he will be remembered as pioneer-sargeant and marker on the rifle-range. The deceased was also a successful exhibitor at the Artisans' and Mechanics' Industrial Exhibitions held in the Island some years ago, his models of the Volunteer Drill-hall, and Parish-church, the Corn-exchange, the Guildhall, and other buildings being very meritorious specimens of skilled and pains-taking work. The funeral took place on Thursday afternoon, the buglers and a number of the members of the Newport detachment attending to pay a last military tribute to their old comrade. Those also present included Messrs. P. J. Martin, J. Campbell, H. Tullidge, and C. H. Mallard, representing the St. Thomas's Men's Bible Class, of which the deceased had been a member for some years. A service was first held at the Parish-church, the chaplain of the Isle of Wight Rifles (the Rev. Canon Clement Smith, M.V.O.) officiating. Miss Scadding presided at the organ and impressively played Chopin's "Marche Funebre" as the coffin was borne from the church. Canon Smith also officiated at the graveside at Newport Cemetery, and after the committal the buglers sounded the "Last Post." Mr. J. Moorman carried out the funeral arrangements.

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