Frank Arthur Linington

Isle of Wight County Press - 18 May 1957

NEWPORT.

The Late Mr. F. A. Linington. – The death on Monday, at the age of 82, of Mr. Frank Arthur Linington, of Carisbrooke Cottage, Carisbrooke, has brought to a close a long and interesting career. A native of the town, Mr. Linington sang in the Parish Church choir as a boy under the then organist, Mr. W. Scadding, and, by virtue of the latter's appointment as organist of the Royal chapel at Osborne, he and fellow members of the choir frequently sang there before Queen Victoria. Apprenticed to the local building firm of Barton Bros., who occupied premises near the site of the present County Hall, Mr. Linington became a skilled craftsman, working successively for local firms, including Messrs. G. F. Quinton and Messrs. H. and F. Damp. Later he was general foreman on the site during the construction of Camp Hill Prison, which was opened in April 1912. He then became estate clerk to the Seely Estate, during the stewardship of the late Mr. A. A. H. Wykeham, of Brighstone. In 1923 he moved to Calbourne to become local manager for Messrs. H. and F. Damp of a building firm which they took over, but in 1932 he returned to his native town to live in College Road in a house in which he took a personal part in building. He continued in Messrs. Damp's employ, and on the outbreak of the last war and the departure on war service of Mr. C. P. Damp, he took over the conduct of funerals on behalf of the firm, and had continued to carry out this work with efficiency and courtesy. He suffered an illness towards the end of last summer, and, although he later returned to work, he never fully recovered his strength. Mr. Linington was twice married, his first wife having died in 1937, and he later resided for a year or two with his daughter, Mrs. E. Harvey, of Newbarn Farm, Gatcombe. He married again about 10 years ago and had since lived at Carisbrooke. A member of the local lodge of Odd Fellows, Mr. Linington was in his earlier years a keen horticulturist, specialising in carnations, which he exhibited at summer shows, and he had recently taken much interest in the Carisbrooke Cottage Garden Society. The funeral service took place yesterday afternoon at the Congregational Church.

Isle of Wight County Press – 25 May 1957

NEWPORT.

The Late Mr. F. A. Linington. – There was a large attendance at the Congregational Church on Friday week for the funeral of Frank Arthur Linington, of Carisbrooke Cottage, Carisbrooke, who was believed to have been the senior old boy of the King James I Grammar School, whose death occurred the previous Monday, aged 82. The service was conducted by the Vicar of Shalfleet (the Rev. E. Jenkyns) and the hymns were accompanied by Miss K. Lower at the organ. The mourners were Mrs. Linington (widow), Mr. and Mrs. E. Harvey (son-in-law and daughter), Messrs. R. and D. Harvey (grandson), Mr. A. Realey (nephew), Mr. and Mrs. F., Mr. and Mrs. Harold, Mr. and Mrs. Horace, and Mr. A. Gray (brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law), Miss A. Sanders, Mrs. F. Howse, and Mr. J. Gray (cousins), and Mr. W. Upward. Mr. and Mrs. E. and Mr. A. Newberry (brothers-in-law and sister-in-law) were unable to attend. Among the floral tributes were those from the management and staff of Messrs. H. and F. Damp and the president and members of the King James I Grammar School Old Boys' Association. The interment was at the Fairlee Road Cemetery. The arrangements were made by Messrs. H. and F. Damp.

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