

Florence Margaret Richardson

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Death of Mrs. Richardson.--Many who enjoyed her cheery Irish good nature and keen wit during the time when she was active in many good works in the town, will regret to learn of the death, which occurred on Monday at St. Mary's Hospital, at the great age of 93, of Mrs. Florence Margaret Richardson, who, until she was admitted to the hospital a few weeks ago, resided at Lincoln-cottages, Carisbrooke, and formerly for a number of years with Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Dudley on The Mall. Mrs. Richardson came to Newport originally as a guest at Broadlands House. She had taken a devoted interest in the Surgical Aid Society, for which she acted as the local collector for many years, and, as a great lover of gardening, in the activities of the I.W. Horticultural Association. Until her health failed she was a regular helper on the ladies' stall at the association's exhibitions at the Drill-hall, and a charmingly persuasive conductor of competitions on the stall in aid of the association's funds. She was a member of the congregation of St. John's Church, and the funeral service was held there yesterday (Friday) afternoon, the Vicar (the Rev. W. H. Mackinnon) officiating. The principal mourners were Mr. A. J. and Mrs. Ladd (son-in-law and daughter), Mrs. Perkins, and M. W. Upward. Others present were Mrs. Pearce, Miss L. A. Richardson; Mrs. A. E. Harvey (chairman), Mr. J. B. Doe (hon. secretary), Mr. C. Bound (vice-chairman), and Mr. S. Jones (member of the committee), representing the Isle of Wight Horticultural Association; Mr. B. Sanders, C.A., Mrs. C. E. Yelf, Mrs. R. P. Mew, Mr. and Mrs. W. Matthews, Mrs. F. Powell, Miss Mustchin, Mr. P. G. Jenkins, and Mrs. F. W. Dudley. Messrs. H. and F. Damp were the undertakers.

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