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FUNERAL OF A CATHOLIC PRIEST AT RYDE

Yesterday morning the mortal remains of the Rev. Father Edward CAHILL, brother of the very Rev. Monsignor CAHILL, B.A., Vicar General of the Portsmouth Diocese, were interred at the Ryde Cemetery, the funeral had been fixed for Saturday, and the Bishop of Portsmouth (the Rt. Rev. Dr. VIRTUE) was to have assisted pontifically on that day, but it was found necessary to hold the obsequies a day earlier, and his lordship could not attend. On Thursday afternoon the body was taken into S. Mary's Church and the vespers of the dead were recited. On the coffin were the chalice, stole, and biretta, showing that the deceased was a priest. It bore the inscription: "Reverandus Edwardus CAHILL, Sacerdos natus die 16 Julii, 1835, obiit die 2nd Julii, 1889." At night a dirge was sung, consisting of first nocturnes, matins, and lauds, the Rev. Canon DOYLE (Gosport) presiding? During the service several concerted pieces by Dr. CROCKHALL, were sung by the Revs. F.? KELLEHER, Father WALLACE, and the Monsignor CAHILL, and choir of St. Mary's including "Domine qua*do veneris," the Benedictus, and at the end "Sub Venite." On Friday morning the mass of requiem was sung to a plain chant by Canon DOYLE, the absolutions given at the end being given by Monsignor CAHILL, "The Sub Venite" and Justorum anime" were also sung. At the cemetery the "De Profundis," was sung in procession, and the "Sub Venite" and the Benedictus, the service concluding with ordinary prayers, first in Latin then in English. The very Rev. Dr. BUTLER of St Catherine's College, Notting Hill, a class fellow of the deceased, and the Rev. Justin MOONEY (Newport) were present; as also were Messrs. RICH and DAVIES, deceased's medical attendants. The deceased, who had been an invalid for some three years, had served at St. George's Cathedral, Arundel, Camberwell, Sheerness, and Folkestone. He was buried at the foot of his brother, the Rev. Thos. CAHILL, the graves, as is usual with those of priests, having the feet towards the rest. Floral tributes were sent by the Sisters of Mercy, "The children of Mary," and others.

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