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## ISLE OF WIGHT OBSERVER Saturday 3rd May 1884

## THE FUNERAL OF THE LATE HON. OTWAY TOLER

The funeral of the late Hon. **Otway TOLER**, whose death we recorded in our last issue, took place at the Cemetery on Tuesday afternoon at 1 o'clock. The coffin was very beautiful, of polished oak, the handles plate, plate, &c., being of silver. The plate bore the inscription:

"Otway Fortesque Graham TOLER.

Born Nov. 1<sup>st</sup>, 1824; died April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1884."

The coffin was conveyed to the Cemetery upon an open hearse, and was completely covered with splendid white flowers, which seemed to give additional beauty to a large cross composed of simple primroses. There was a very large attendance at the Cemetery, and the catafalque was followed by no less than eight carriages. The chief mourners were Mr. Hector TOLER, Captain J. Otway TOLER, and Mr. George TOLER (sons), Miss TOLER and Miss Violet TOLER (daughters), the Earl of Norbury (nephew) Mr. STEWART of Aids, Sir John LEES, General RANDOLPH, Captain VANDELEUR, Colonel John VANDELEUR, Colonel ATHERLEY, Mr. GARVEY, Mr. R. STEWART, Dr. PLETTS, and Colonel DUNSMURE. The carriage of the Hon. W. HANBURY TRACEY followed. Lord Clarence PAGET, General and Hon. Somerset CALTHORPE, and General A.C.H. STEWART were unavoidably prevented being present.

Amongst those who testified their respect and sympathy by attending we noticed Mr. G.F. HARRINGTON (the ex-Mayor). Councillor R. COLENUTT, Councillor ELLERY; Messrs. F. CARTER C. CARTER, THURLOW, JENNINGS, R. LEWIS, and a number of well-known tradesmen were also present.

The funeral service was performed by the Rev. A.J. WADE, the first part being read in the chapel. Messrs. RIDDETT and Son, of Union-street, were the undertakers.

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