

*In 1911 **Geraldine** was living at Arno, Ventnor, as a boarder with Jemima Tanner (widow). There were two servants.*

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BAILEY Geraldine Rebecca

GRAY Maud Ellen

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Death of Miss G. F. H. BAILEY.---We regret to announce the death at a local nursing home on Tuesday of Miss Geraldine F. R. BAILEY, of The Elms, High Park. The deceased lady was for many years associated with St. Catherine's Church, Ventnor, and St. John's, Oakfield, and in both parishes took and exceedingly active part in parochial work and was much esteemed.

She appeared in her usual good health until a fortnight before her death, when on medical advice she went under an operation. She was then found to be suffering from a serious internal malady. Her comparatively sudden passing came as a grievous shock to her many friends, especially to those among the poorer classes in St. John's parish, where she was greatly beloved.

Miss BAILEY was a niece of the late Rev. Hall SHAW, a former Vicar of Ventnor, and came to reside in the Island about 30 years ago. She was born at Cheltenham in 1870, and her early years were spent with her grandparents at Clevedon, Bristol. For many years she lived at Arno, Park-avenue, Ventnor, with the late Mrs. TANNER and Mrs. JENKYNS, two highly esteemed Undercliff residents. She became prominently associated with St. Catherine's Church, but her principal work was done at St. Margaret's Mission Church, Lowtherville. There she took a leading part in the Sunday-school and work among the mothers and was a district visitor. Her ministrations proved invaluable and her kindness to the poorer parishioners is remembered with gratitude. She was interested in the Girls' Friendly Society and a warm supporter of all missionary work. During the war she joined the V.A.D. and served at the temporary hospital at Underwath, St. Lawrence. In 1926, with Mrs. TANNER, she came to live at Elmfield and immediately threw her energies into the work of St. John's parish. She was a loyal and generous member of the congregation, a member of the Ruridecanal Conference and of the Church Council, and was greatly interested in the welfare of young people, being superintendent of the kindergarten Sunday-school and a founder and hon. secretary of the revived Young People's Club. She superintended the mothers' meetings and for three years was chairman of the Church Women's Auxiliary. She was hon. secretary of the Church Missionary Society auxiliary and a leading member of Ryde Missionary Association. At Ventnor and Ryde she was a member of the Conservative Association.

An evangelical churchwoman, she was nevertheless broadminded. She was a capable organiser and her generosity knew no bounds. Her gracious and kindly personality will be sadly missed, and the sincerest sympathy has been extended to her relatives, especially to Mrs. M. E. GRAY, who has been her devoted companion for many years.

The funeral takes place at St. John's, today (Saturday), at 2.30 p.m.
