In 1911 **Elizabeth** was living at Apsley House, 10 Leed-street, Sandown, with her husband Matthew, her sister Mary HEYNES, and a general servant. Matthew was listed as Baptist Minister.

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THE REV. LISTER GAUNT'S BEREAVEMENT

The death took place yesterday (Friday) morning at The Manse, Vernon-square, of **Elizabeth Ann (Annie)**, wife of the Rev. M. Lister GAUNT, the esteemed pastor of the Baptist Church. Deceased succumbed somewhat suddenly to pneumonia following influenza, after a short illness. Additional poignancy is lent to the sad occurrence by the fact that Mr. GAUNT is also lying on a bed of sickness.

Mrs. GAUNT was a native of Helson, Cornwall, being the daughter of the late Mr. Thomas and Juliane HEYNES. She married Mr. GAUNT in 1897 and from that time onwards has been an able helpmate to him in his ministerial labours. Ten years ago she returned to the Island with her husband after an absence of six years in Wales, and prior to that she was associated with him in his work at Sandown for 15 years. In Ryde and Sandown in particular, and also in the Island generally, she was known to many and loved by them all. Although not holding any offices in the church her work on behalf of all its activities was earnest and sincere. Her interest and support of the temperance cause was ardent. She formerly held the positions of vice-president and hon, treasurer to the local branch of the National Women's British Total Abstinence Union. Of a retiring and unobtrusive disposition, Mrs. GAUNT had a great capacity for love, gentleness, and human sympathy. There was a graciousness and charm about her manner, and both in her actions and conversation she preserved the old-time courtesies, an attribute that will be long remembered by her most intimate friends. In her quiet way she had a bigger share in her husband's ministerial life than was generally realised, and her loss, coming in the middle of his own illness, is a very severe blow to Mr. GAUNT, who the day previous had felt very much the postponement of the church's anniversary services on account of his wife's and his own illness.

In his sorrow the bereaved husband has the sympathy of a very wide circle of friends, not only of his immediate and sister churches but of the town generally. The funeral takes place on Tuesday afternoon.

Researched by Ann Barrett