

FUNERAL OF RYDE COUNCILLOR.

The funeral took place on Monday of **Mr. Frederick Charles HALLETT**, of Beaumont, St. John's-avenue, Ryde, a much-respected member of the Ryde Town Council and of the Southern Railway staff. The first part of the service was held at the Garfield-road Methodist Church, where railway-men formed a guard of honour, and the Mayor and members of the Corporation attended in their robes. The Rev. H. B. HOWARD, who officiated, spoke of Mr. HALLETT's quiet and selfless life of service, both as a public man and in his vocation. The hymns "Rock of Ages" and "The King of Love" were sung, and as the coffin was borne from the church the organist played "O rest in the Lord."

The mourners were: Messrs. F. C., A. G., J., W.G., and H. HALLETT (sons), Mrs. C. CASS, Mrs. C. BURT, and Mrs. E. COOKE (daughters), Mrs. J. HALLETT (daughter-in-law), Mr. E. COOKE (son-in-law), and Mr. H. MCGREGOR (brother-in-law). Mrs. HALLETT (widow) was prevented from being present.

Headed by Mr. G. H. SAVILL (town sergeant) carrying the draped mace, the following members of the Corporation walked in procession: The Mayor (Lt.-Col. C. L. ELLERY, O.B.E), Aldermen A. F. WRIGHT, J.P., H. P. CHIVERTON, and J. E. JACKSON, Mrs. S. C. NEEDHAM, Mrs. McMILLAN, and Messrs. L. WHEELER, H. V. TAYLOR, A. J. FREAKES, W. A. CHRISTY, J.P., G. J. EVANS, G. E. NEWBERY, S. L. MATTHEWS, A. E. AYMES, F. SEARLE, E. T. TREND, W. RAMAGE, H. ROGERS, E. N. NEWMAN, A. GRIST, and V. E. WARREN; E. S. SHEPPARD (town clerk), B. F. HOLNESS (borough surveyor), A. AITCHISON (borough treasurer), A. J. POWELL, H. H. BASSHAM, and Mrs. SHEPPARD (co-opted members). The Southern Railway were represented by Messrs. W. E. MASON (for Mr. A. L. WALLACE, assistant for the Island), T. F. THOMPSON (station-master, Ryde), A. WHEWAY (stationmaster, Newport), A. H. FIDLER (engineering dept.), O. P. VALLENDER (A.L.E.E.), E. W. LANGDON, J.P. (inspector, Newport), R. O. JONES (Ryde branch N.U.R.), R. MEGGETT (loco. Foreman), A. BRADING (carriage and wagon dept.), A. TESTER (foreman, Pier-head), J. FISH (station foreman, Newport), H. WALL, P. PULLINGER, G. POCOCK, and J. HOPPER (Newport), S. SARTIN (Ventnor), H. PETERS, S. WELLS, W. URRY, W. MARKS, George JENVEY, J. YOUNG, and Fred JENVEY (Ryde staff), Miss BRETT (Railway Refreshment Rooms), Messrs. W. H. P. FROUND (former station-master at Portsmouth), F. STRIVENS (ex-staff, Marine Dept., Portsmouth), R. SWEETMAN (late loco. Foreman), J. H. BANNISTER, W. WILLIS, H. WOODWARD, G. VALLENDER, H. PHILLIPS, G. A. BROWN, and W. COLEMAN (ex-railwaymen); Lt-Comdr. P. C. MUNROE, Messrs. T. S. MELLANBY, W. F. GAWN (Ryde Post-office), H. G. JOLLIFFE (also representing J. STAINER), W. RAYNER (ex-pier staff), W. J. JENNINGS, A. J. BALLARD, Mr. and Mrs. A. BLACKBURN, Mrs. CHEVERTON, Mrs. H. V. TAYLOR, Mrs. CHARITY (representing the Sisterhood), Mrs. HARRIS, Miss TUPPIN, Mrs. PHILLIPS, and Mrs. C. FOUNTAINE (Women's Cooperative Guild), Mrs. T. F. THOMPSON, Miss CARLEY, Miss BUCKETT, Mrs. BOYCE (representing Mr. H. BOYCE, J.P.), Mrs. H. PHILLIPS, Mrs. Harold PHILLIPS, Mrs. E. C. LOADER, and Mrs. G. BLACKMAN. Railwaymen G. BEYNON, R. AYLWARD, M. BREARLEY, and W. ALLEN acted as bearers.

The interment was at the cemetery, and the large collection of flowers included tributes from the Mayor and Corporation; Ryde N.U.R., Civil Engineering Dept.; Building Section of the Southern Railway; the staff at Ryde Pier-head; Motive Power Depot staff, Southern Railway; past fellow workers at St. John's-road Station; Traffic Dept. staff, Newport Station; Whitworth Electro Plastic Co., Ltd.; neighbours and friends, St. John's-avenue; and friends at "The Falls."

Messrs. WHEELER Bros. were the undertakers.

Mrs. HALLETT and family express their sincere appreciation of the kind messages of sympathy and beautiful floral tributes. As letters are too numerous to answer individually, they ask friends to accept this as the only acknowledgment.