

ISLE OF WIGHT OBSERVER Saturday 7th March 1908

DEATH OF CAPTAIN LANE FOX

The death took place on Saturday last, at Beechwood, of Captain **Francis Edmund LANE FOX**, late of the Imperial Yeomanry, at the age of 35. The father of the deceased gentleman is very prominently associated with the Primrose League, while his mother was a member of the well-known and highly respected SLADE family, who formerly resided in this town.

The remains of the late Captain LANE FOX remained at Beechwood in a specially fitted-up chapelle ardente until Tuesday, when they were interred in Ryde Cemetery.

High Mass was first celebrated at St. Mary's Church, in the presence of a large congregation. The solemn Requiem Mass was sung by the Rev. Father Hildebrand LANE FOX, brother of the deceased, who was assisted by two other Benedictines from Appuldurcombe - Rev. Fathers SAINTE-BEUVE and Blanchon LASSERVE. The music of the mass was rendered by the choir of the Church, led by Rev. Bishop COTTER, who also sang the Benedictus at the graveside, where a large number gathered.

The chief mourners were the widow, Mr. E. LANE FOX (father), Mrs. LANE FOX (stepmother), Mrs. GREGSON, Sister PETER, and the servants of the household.

The body was enclosed in an oak shell, with lead and fumed panelled oak casket, with brass furniture. On the lid was a large brass crucifix, and a brass-plate bearing the following inscription:

FRANCIS EDMUND LANE FOX,
(Late Captain of the Imperial Yeomanry),
Born 29th November, 1872,
Died 29th February 1908.
"Vivas in pace."

Among those sending letters of condolence were the Duke of Norfolk and several other prominent Roman Catholics.

Messrs. PURNELL and PURNELL carried out the whole of the funeral arrangements.
