

ISLE OF WIGHT OBSERVER Saturday 3rd May 1902

DEATH OF MRS. MASON. - We much regret to record the death of **Mrs. MASON**, widow of Mr James MASON, which occurred at her residence, in Cross Street, on Saturday last, after a lengthy illness. It will be remembered that Mr. MASON died suddenly early last year, on board one of the steamers, from heart disease. He hurried down the Pier to catch the boat, and the exertion caused his death. It was a great shock to Mrs MASON, of course, and her many friends have noted with grief her gradual decline in health since the event.

She was in business however, till a few weeks ago. There were few more respected than Mrs. MASON amongst the local tradespeople in the town. A well-read and most intelligent woman, she took a great interest in the Oxford Extension Movement from its commencement in Ryde and the students of the Association will greatly miss one who always exhibited such a kindly interest in them, and was such an excellent librarian.

The funeral took place on Thursday at Ryde Cemetery when the chief mourners were Mr. and Mrs. E. BROOKE, Mr. and Mrs. W.G. TRINDER, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Miss F. BROOKE, Mrs. WALTERS, Mr. and Mrs. POLLARD. Mr. and Miss GROVES, Miss ADAMS and Miss COMDEN.

Messrs COOMBES were the undertakers.

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