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Death of Mr. C.H. THORNTON. - The second resident with nearly 50 years railway service to his credit to die within a week was Mr. **Charles Henry THORNTON**, of 16 Winton Street, who passed away on Sunday. His father, the late Jeremiah THORNTON, was one of the railwaymen engaged in shipping the first locomotive to the Island. Mr. THORNTON entered the employ of the I.W. Railway at the St. John's sheds when a boy and served there continuously until his retirement about two years ago. He was a member of the Foresters and the Town Club.

The Rev. O.E. GITTINS conducted the funeral service at Holy Trinity Church on Wednesday. The mourners were Mr. and Mrs. W. THORNTON (brother and sister-in-law), the Misses E. and M. TILLER (cousins), Mr. G. THORNTON (nephew), and Mrs. THORNTON, Miss E.J.D. DOVER, and Mr. R. READ. Fellow railwaymen attended the service and the N.U.R. sent a wreath.

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