

Death of the Rev. R.G. COVENEY. –The Rev. Robert George COVENEY, of Melton Hall, Dover-street, died on Friday week in a Seaview nursing home as the age of 89. He had resided here for seven years and frequently assisted with the services in the Congregational Church. A man of great charm, he made many friends. Mr. COVENEY was descended from a family which came over with the Huguenots and settled at Canterbury. In his early years he was in business as a draper in London and his desire to work as a minister was aroused when he attended the first meeting addressed by Gen. BOOTH, the founder of the Salvation Army, at Limehouse. Thereafter he became a close friend of that great evangelist and one of his proudest possessions was a autographed photograph of him. It was not until he reached his 40th year that Mr. COVENEY became a Congregational minister. He held pastorates at Small Heath, Birmingham, Leintwardine, Shropshire and Newent, Gloucestershire. He is survived by a son in Canada, and two daughters.

The funeral service was conducted by the Rev. J.H. COX in George-street Congregational Church on Wednesday. Miss G. JONES accompanied the singing of “Best be the ties that bind” and Mr. COX paid a moving tribute to Mr. COVENEY. The mourners were Miss Alice COVENEY (daughter), Mr. A. BARTON SMITH (son-in-law), Mrs. James LAVENDER (grand-daughter), Mrs. COLUMBINE, Mrs. V.C. FEESEY and Miss Lilian COLUMBINE. There was a large attendance of friends. The interment was at the Cemetery, and the floral tributes included those from the George-street and Haylands Congregational Churches; Nettlestone Methodist Church; George-street Sunday-school, and the Nonconformist Ministers’ Fraternal.

Messrs. W. BULL and Sons were the undertakers.
