

ISLE OF WIGHT TIMES Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 1941

Death Notice

**HEWITT.** - On March 25<sup>th</sup>, William Thomas HEWITT, of 36 George Street, aged 74.

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**MR. W. T. HEWITT**

The death occurred at 36, George Street, Ryde last week, of Mr. William Thomas HEWITT, late of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion, Lancashire Fusiliers. Although born in India Mr. HEWITT was of Island extraction. He came to England at the age of thirteen, when he was still a lad. After some little time at Newport he entered the fighting service in July, 1881. He was transferred to India in 1893, after being promoted as a sergeant. He completed his service in September, 1907, with an exemplary character, and the award of the silver medal for long service and good conduct. He had filled the position of band conductor for a number of years after his retirement, and in 1914 he conducted a band on the east cliffs of Ventnor in aid of the Isle of Wight County Hospital Funds.

Though afflicted by deafness for some years, Mr. HEWITT greatly appreciated musical service wherever rendered. He was for some years in the employment of the British Museum as head commissionaire until the exhibition galleries of the museum were closed. During this period he was head of a large body of commissionaires and wardens.

For a considerable time he was associated with the Garfield Road Christian Fellowship. The funeral service was held at Garfield Road Methodist Church on Saturday, the Rev. H. McROW officiating. The interment took place at Ryde Cemetery and was attended by relatives and friends resident in the Island.

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