

ISLE OF WIGHT COUNTY PRESS Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> March 1944

Death of Miss M.F.C. EWBANK. - We regret to announce the death on Saturday, at The Old Parsonage, St. John's, of Miss **Mary Frances Caroline EWBANK**, after several months of failing health. She was the second daughter of the Rev. Henry EWBANK, who was vicar of St. John's, Oakfield, from 1867 to 1898 and like her father was greatly interested in botany. A warm supporter of St. John's Church and missionary work, Miss EWBANK possessed a quiet dignity of manner and a kindness of heart which endeared her to numerous friends. Sincere sympathy is felt with her elder sister with whom she has lived for many years.

The funeral service took place in St. John's Church on Tuesday, the Rev. E.T.H. ROYDS officiating. Mr. R.H. TENGOOD (organist) played "Jesu, joy of man's desiring" (BACH) as the cortege left the church. The mourners were Miss EWBANK (sister), Mr. and Mrs. SHEPPARD, Dr. EWBANK, and Miss E. and Miss M. EWBANK. Members of the staff attending were Mr. E. HOSKING, Mr. R. BUTCHERS, Miss HILTON, and Miss CHESTEERFIELD. Others present included Dr. H.F. BASSANO, Major J.C. BASSETT, D.S.O., Mr. and Mrs. J. AITCHISON, Mrs. E.T.H. ROYDS, Miss R. BURT, J.P., Miss and Miss Edith JELLICOE, the Misses DERRY, Mrs. MacMILLAN, the Misses P. BURT, BROADBENT, HEASLOP, WARDROPER, Le BOUVIER, HUGHES, SMITH, and MATTHEWS, Mesdames W.G.F. SUTTON, E. and L. HOSKINGS, and BUTCHER.

The late Rev. Henry EWBANK was instrumental in obtaining a burial ground at Westridge for St. John's parish and by a strange coincidence his daughter was buried in the last remaining plot. Flowers from the family were placed on the grave.

Messrs. C. LANGDON and Son were the undertakers.

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