

**MR EDWARD GOSDEN**

**Retired C.P.O.'s Death.**- The funeral took place on Monday of Mr. Edward GOSDEN, aged 58, of 22b Belvedere Street, who died at St. Mary's, Newport, on Wednesday week. Born at Wootton, he came here in his boyhood and enlisted in the Royal Navy at an early age. Before the war he served in several famous ships including the battle cruiser Hood, and was on active service afloat throughout the war. He reached the rank of chief petty officer before retiring after 21 years' service about 15 years ago. Subsequently he was employed for a few years at the Kingston Power Station, then returned to sea with the Union-Castle line, employment which continued until he was suddenly taken ill above five weeks ago. He leaves a widow.

The Rev. J. R. SHAW (vicar) officiated at the service at Holy Trinity Church. The mourners were Mrs. E GOSDEN (widow), Mr. E. COTTON (father-in-law), Mr. and Mrs. J. PRIMMER, Mr. and Mrs. J. SMITH, Mr. and Mrs. G. PARKER and Mr. and Mrs. R. TOWNSEND (brothers-in-law and sisters), Messrs. G. ORCHARD and L. POWELL (nephews), Mr. and Mrs. T. BROWN and Mrs. J. GOSDEN (brother-in-law and sister-in-law), Mr. J. WOODS and Mrs C. SMITH. The interment was at Ryde Cemetery. Floral tributes included one from his Union-Castle colleagues.

Messrs. H. V. Taylor and Son made the arrangements.

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