ISLE OF WIGHT OBSERVER Saturday 5th April 1919

DEATH OF MR. J. E. VARDY. - We regret to announce the death of Mr. **John Emery VARDY**, which occurred at 4, Simeon Street, on Friday, the 28th ult., aged 71. The deceased was well-known as the late proprietor of the Albany Hotel and previous to that the Star Hotel in High Street, which he kept for many years. He was one of the most energetic members of the I.W. Licensed Victuallers' Society in the affairs of which he took considerable interest and served on the Committee, where his knowledge of the trade and genial disposition were greatly appreciated by the members.

The funeral took place on Monday at the Cemetery, where the remains of his respected wife were laid only six months ago. The mourners comprised Mr. and Mr. C. VARDY (son and wife), Mr. J. H. VARDY (son), and Mr. and Mrs. R. BETTINSON (daughter and husband). Several of the deceased's trade friends met the coffin at the Cemetery and there were several beautiful floral tokens from the family and one from the Licensed Victuallers' Association, messages of sympathy being also received. The service was conducted by the Rev. Norman GRAY of Holy Trinity Church.

Mr. C. LANGDON carried out the funeral arrangements.

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