

Funeral Report

Worton

THE LATE MR. J. J. NEWMAN

Burial in Family Vault at Edington

The remains of the late Mr. James John Newman, whose death at the age of 82 was reported in the last issue of the Wiltshire Gazette, were laid to rest in the family vault at Edington on Saturday, where also repose those of his wife and his father. His mother is buried in the churchyard at Potterne, she having died when the family were living near. There was a large congregation in the church, practically under the shadow of which Mr. Newman had lived so many years before he retired from business and went to spend the remainder of his life at Worton House. Not only was he a regular attendant at Edington church when resident in the village, but he served it for many years in the capacity of churchwarden. In that office, it is worth noting, he followed his father, and when he left the village he was succeeded as churchwarden by his son, Mr. J.J.T. Newman, who carried on the official family association with the church until he in turn left the parish and went to reside at the Manor Farm, Lacock, where he now is. The remains of the deceased were enclosed in an elm shell, the outer casket being of plain oak, with plated furniture and breastplate, upon the latter of which was inscribed: "James John Newman, died December 14th, 1925". The coffin was removed from Worton House and placed in a glass-panelled car by which it was conveyed to the church. Three clergymen officiated - The Vicar (the Rev. F.H. Sprent), the Rev. R.H. Burleigh Campbell (Vicar of Worton), where the deceased spent the last years of his life), and the Rev. W.G. Newman (a son of the deceased, who is Rector of Piddlehinton, Dorchester)) Miss A. Price who has for many years been organist at the church, was at her post, and played funeral music as the congregation was assembling and as the coffin was removed from the church to the vault for interment. The cortege on entering was met by the clergy, the Vicar reciting the opening sentences. The subsequent service was plain and simple, a Psalm being chanted and two hymns being chosen as favourites of the deceased - "Rock of ages", and "Jesu, Lover of my Soul". The Lesson was read by Mr. Campbell. On leaving the church, the remains were taken charge of by four men who had for longer or shorter periods been at some time in the employ of the deceased - Messrs. Alfred Coleman, Charles Saunders, George Wheeler and Frank Druitt, the last-name more particularly representing his father who was for a long term of years employed by the deceased when he was in business. Mr. Newman's son (the Rev. W.G. Newman) performed the committal rites.

The Family Mourners

The family mourners included five sons, five grandsons and five sons-in-law, all of whom, with other relatives, rode in horse drawn carriages: the car which carried the remains was also horse drawn, the wish of the deceased being that there should be nothing in the shape of motor vehicles. The five sons were Mr. J.J. Newman (Lacock), Captain J.H. Newman (Kent), Rev. W.G. Newman (Piddlehinton, Dorset), Mr. R.H. Newman (Teddington), Mr. Walter Newman ((Cricklade): the grandsons were Mr. Newman Oram (Westbury), Mr. Jim Haine (Sevenhampton), Mr. Dennis Hampton (Poulshot), Mr. Jim Newman, jun. (Lacock), Mr. Dick Butler (Sandy Lane): the sons-in-law were Mr. W.G. Oram (Edington), Mr. H. Haine (Sevenhampton), Mr. J. Butler (All Cannings), Mr. E. Butler (Sandy Lane), Mr. L.N. Hampton (Poulshot). Two brothers-in-law also attended – Mr. S.D. Bathard and Mr. J. Tyler (Seend), besides three nephews – Messrs. H. Bathard F. Tyler and S. Tyler. Others present included Messrs. J.E. Ashby, H. Tucker, C. Tucker, A. Tucker, E. Butler, E. Ruddle, P.B. Pepler, H. Tilley, the members of Worton and Marston Parish Council: Mr. Beazley (gardener), Mr. G.S.A. Waylen (Devizes), Mr. F.J. Finch (Westbury), Mr and Mrs. Hutton (Fairwood), Mr. J. Gee, Miss Margaret Lewis and many others.

The Floral Tributes

There was a large number of floral tributes including the following –

From his son Jim and his grandchildren (Kate, Mercy, Margaret and Jim), in loving memory.

From Annie and Willie, to dear father, in loving remembrance.

With love from his son Bert, and Doll.

From Willie and Bennie and his grandchildren (Peggy and Hope).

To father, from Dick.

In loving memory of dear father, from Edith, Bert, and grandchildren.

From Walter and Addie, with fond love to dear father.

From Mercy and John, in loving remembrance.

In ever loving memory of a dear, good father, Alice, Ernest, Dick, Mercy and Betty.

From Nell and Roland, to dear father, in loving remembrance.

With Doll's love to the best of grandfathers.

From his grandson, Newman Oram, and Dolly and great-grandson.

From Phyllis and Wilma, with love to grandpa.

From all his grandchildren at Poulshot.

From Donald and Gladys, in loving memory to grandfather.

From his grandchildren (Marjorie and Jack) in loving memory.

For great-grandpa, from Rosemary and Betty.

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From S.D. Bathard (brother-in-law), and family, in loving remembrance.

From John (brother-in-law), Laura and family, in affectionate remembrance.

Misses Lovall, n appreciation.

From children of Worton and Marston school, in loving memory.

Mrs. J. Williams' deepest sympathy and affectionate remembrance.

Miss Bishop, in remembrance.

Worton Parish Council, in kind remembrance of an old chairman, from past and present members.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Few and family, in kind remembrance.

Mrs. Butler and family, with kind remembrance.

With Brig. General and Mrs. E.H. Stevenson's sympathy.

Beasley (gardener) and Mrs. Beasley, with deepest sympathy.

Mr. and Mrs. Bedman, with deep sympathy.

From the Misses Butler (Rowde House), with kind regards.

Misses Hodgkins and Lewis, in remembrance.

Mr. J.E. Busk, with deep sympathy.

Mr. and Mrs. Goodall, with deep sympathy.

From Rhoda.

Mrs. Few and family, with sincere sympathy and affectionate remembrance.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Nosworthy, with deep sympathy.

Mr. Butler and family (Manor Farm, Edington), with kind remembrance.

Mrs. Hutton (Fairwood), with loving remembrance.

John Gee, with sincere sympathy and affectionate remembrance.

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