

Newtown Road Cemetery Grave of the Month

Edith Dolton 1866-1942

The youngest daughter of Alderman Henry and Emma Dolton. The family were corn merchants with premises at the Wharf and Shaw Mill.

Edith was in demand as a solo soprano and also sang with the Wesleyan Methodist Choir.

In 1903 she joined the Passive Resisters and refused to pay her education rates on religious grounds. She was still refusing when World War 1 started!

She was active in the British Women's Total Abstinence Union, being County President for three years. She believed both men and women should never drink alcohol.

Her obituary comments she had a 'sparkling wit'. Not according to the one photo we have of her!



Edith's grave is along the south wall