

## **William Arthur Bryant**

### **Transcription of Obituary in Minutes of Methodist Conference**

Born in 1874 at Nottingham. Educated at Bourne College, Birmingham, he entered the Primitive Methodist Ministry in 1897, and later served at Clay Cross, Tipton, Doncaster, Wirksworth, Coxhoe, Northampton, St. Austell, Camborne, St. Day, St. Ives, and Falmouth, becoming a Supernumerary in 1935-

In Cornwall he rendered great public service at the time of the great depression in the mining area, when he was responsible for raising thousands of pounds for relief work.

With the Camborne choirs he travelled all over the county raising money, and his zeal and enthusiasm in this voluntary work will ever be gratefully remembered.

During his retirement in St. Ives he took great interest in local affairs and was at one time a member of the St. Ives Town Council.

As a preacher of the Gospel he had unusual pulpit gifts and was always listened to with interest and profit.

Amongst his people he was a true and faithful pastor. He had great administrative ability, and was well versed in Methodist polity.

He was a fearless exponent of the truth as he saw it and an ardent advocate of social reform.

He fell on sleep on the 24th July, 1950, in the seventy-sixth year of his age and the fifty-third of his ministry.

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### **References**

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