### THOMAS JACKSON

Thomas Jackson was born on the 22nd January 1857 at Wrightington, Lancashire and entered the Wesleyan ministry in 1882 and died in 1904

To date there a minimal amount of information has been discovered in ewspaper records. Three items only have been found that relate directly to him all from the Cheshire Observer in respect of St John's Wesleyan Church at Whitchurch, Shropshire.

#### WESLEYAN CHAPEL

Special services have been held during the present week in the large vestry connected with St John's Wesleyan Chapel, 'For the purpose of quickening the spiritual life of the Church'

Addresses were given as follows:-

Monday - "The unity of the Church a condition of spiritual prosperity - in the undivided Christians - in the collective Church - in the conversion of the world to Christ' Revs A Pearce and Thomas Jackson.

Tuesday -'The reasonableness of fervent zeal or enthusiasm in Christian work' Rev A Pearce.

Wednesday - 'The need of a closer union with Christ and a clearer evidence of sonship' Revs A Pearce and R B Woodward.

Thursday - 'Personal holiness is the Christian's privilege and power' Rev T Jackson and R B Woodward.

There was a crowfed attendance each evening, and it is confidently believed that much good will result from the meeting" (Cheshire Observer September 1890)

## WESLEYAN QUARTERLY MEETING

"At this meeting held on Wednesday afternoon, a decrease of members was again reported, and the names of three or four local preachers are likely to be missing from the next plan. The Rev H.J. Pates is officiating in the place of Rev T. Jackson who is on the sick list" (Cheshire Observer 3 January 1891)

### St JOHN'S WESLEYAN CHAPEL

"The Rev T. Jackson, the second Wesleyan minister - who has been ordered a complete cessation of work during the winter months - is making satisfactory progress" (Cheshire Observer 24 January 1891)

Thomas Jackson was a minister at the Maidenhead High Street Weslevan Church from 1888 - 1890.

# The Methodist obituary says of him:

"He was a man of noble and generous spirit, who crowded his comparatively short life with moral and spritual activities. His bright attractive personality, genuineness, and strong common sense made a deep impression at Didsbury and later in his Circuits. His saintliness was broad in its sympathies, and unmarred by narrowness of view. As a Circuit minister he was wholehearted and loyal towards his colleagues, a kindly and zealous pastor and a preacher, who, though quiet in manner, earnestly applied the truth he believed. In his last years much weakness of body was borne with steadfast courage and unmurmuring faith"

Thomas Jackson died in Alderney on Sunday morning March 13th 1904