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William JACOBS. Head. Widower. 75. Living on own means. Milton, Dorset.
Ellen P. JACOBS. Dau. S. 44. Bristol, Gloucs.
Mary JACOBS. Sister. S. 72. Retired Matron Orphan Home. Milton, Dorset.
Albert PREEVER. Boarder. S. 21. Secretary of Y.M.C.A. Whepstead, Suffolk.
Alice SPRAGUE. Serv. S. 16. General Servant Domestic. Ryde, IW.

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Death Notice:-
JACOBS.- Nov. 27, at Ashey Lodge, Ryde, **William JACOBS**, formerly of Hazelwood, Ryde, aged 78

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DEATH AT RYDE OF MR. W. JACOBS.

We regret to announce the death of Mr. W. JACOBS, for so long the respected and zealous hon. sec. of the Ryde branch of the Y.M.C.A., and known, in connection with that organisation, practically throughout the world. He was formerly in charge of the Seaside Home for Young Men, known as Hazelwood. He passed away on Friday evening, and the funeral took place on Tuesday.

A service was first held at the Wesleyan Chapel, which was lent for the occasion by the trustees, the Evangelical Protestant Chapel not being large enough. The mourners were Mr. and Mrs. JACOBS (son and daughter-in-law), Miss JACOBS (daughter), Master JACOBS (grandson), the Rev. A. ANDREWS, Mr. T. W. MORPHEY, Mr. E. CROSSLEY, and Mr. A. PREWER (secretary of the Y.M.C.A.). Amongst the large attendance present were the Mayor (Mr. A. MILLWARD), and Mayoress, Col. H. E. PRESTON, Mrs. A. DASHWOOD, Mr. W. Hammond RIDDETT, J.P., Capt. HAYDEN, Miss BEATON, Capt. STANNEY, Capt. CAWS, Miss YORKE, Miss HENRY, Miss WEST, Mrs. ANDREWS, the Misses MORPHEY, Mrs. DENHAM, Miss RICKARD, Miss HUGHES, the Rev. A. DEDAMESS, Mrs. HOLMES, Mrs. COLEY, the Rev. J. T. HENWOOD, the Rev. G. L. DAVEY, the Rev. E. Bruce PEARSON, Ald. S. FOWLER, J.P., Mr. H. H. POLLARD, J.P. C.A. Mr. F. NEWMAN, J.P., and Messrs. SAVAGE, HARBOUR, LIGHTFOOT, G. GODFREY, A. TEAGUE, W. TEAGUE, G. A. BLACKALL, G. E. MEARS, E. T. MINTER, C.C., COOPER, TAYLOR, J. DIMMICK, W. E. RATCLIFFE, W. WAKEFORD, E. G. STROND, CARLING, T. HALSTEAD, A. E. DIMMER, J. N. TARRANT, S. W. COMDEN, A. T. LUSTY, A. HOLMES, BERRY, GRINHAM, W. H. DAISH, J. LUSH, C. SMITH, J. CANTLOW, W. T. GREENUP, MARTIN, WHITEWOOD, G. MUNDELL, H. JENNINGS, J. MORRANT, C. TURNER, PORTER, E. F. BROOK, GUY, MATTHEWS, A. WOODS, W. H. LONG, F. W. SARGENT, GOUGH, F. WRIGHT, DAMP, J. DOWN, MOODY, GRINHAM, MORRIS, and W. E. MATTHEWS, C.C. The service, which was conducted by the Rev. A. ANDREWS throughout, began with the singing of the hymn "O God our help in ages past." In the course of the address, the rev. gentleman spoke of their mingled feelings on that occasion of sorrow at their loss and of joy at knowing that the aged servant of God had entered into rest. Reserving the fuller details of Mr. JACOB's life for the memorial service in his own chapel on Sunday evening, he said that deceased was born on June 1st, 1825, and had laboured in Ryde for nearly half a century. There were two monuments to his memory in the town - the Y.M.C.A. building in Lind-street and Hazelwood - where he laboured for 21 years. The speaker enlarged on Mr. JACOB's influence in the town, especially that over the young men of the place. he said his one great aim was expressed in words he often used to him, as "Young men for Christ and Christ for young men." The characteristics of his Christian life and service were faithfulness, steadfastness, and devotion. Just before his death, during

the last hour, he joined in reciting the 53rs chapter of Isaiah, and he afterwards quoted the following lines, which so well expressed his feelings:-

And when to that bright world I rise
And join the anthems of the skies,
Above the rest this note shall swell -
My Jesus has done all things well.

Prayer and the hymn "The sands of time are sinking" followed. Mr. J. C. BEAZLEY, R.A.M., presided at the organ. At the graveside the committal sentences were said and the benediction pronounced by the Rev. A. ANDREWS, and the hymn "For ever with the Lord" was sung.

Mr. J. WHITEWOOD was in charge of the funeral arrangements.

Mr. T. DASHWOOD, J.P., the president of the Association, was unable to attend the funeral owing to indisposition.

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