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**FATAL FALL IN GARDEN
ACCIDENTAL DEATH OF DR. H. N. GOODE**

The Coroner (Mr. J. V. BULLIN) recorded a verdict of accidental death at the inquest at Ryde Town Hall on Wednesday on Dr. **Henry Norman GOODE**, aged 89, of Clifton, Totland Bay, who died in the Royal I.W. County Hospital on Sunday after a fall in his garden in the afternoon.

Rosetta Mary GOODE said that for the last five years her husband had suffered from a bone disease and was forced to wear a medical jacket. On Sunday afternoon they were sitting in the garden - her husband in an invalid wicker chair - when they decided to move their seats into the sun. She moved her chair and her husband commenced to do the same when he fell. He told her he thought he had broken his leg. A doctor was called and Dr. GOODE was taken to the Royal I.W. County Hospital, where he died that evening.

Dr. P. D. SWINSTEAD (pathologist) said there was fractures of the neck of the right femur and the pelvis. The disease he was suffering from had made the bones fragile. death was due to heart failure following the shock of the fractures.

Dr. GOODE's Island connections went back to his grandfather, Mr. Henry GOODE, a barrister, who lived at Ryde, where his father Dr. Henry GOODE was born in 1819. His father was in practice in Derby, where Dr. GOODE was born in 1870. He was educated at Heidelberg and London universities, and completed his training at St. Thomas's Hospital, London. His qualifications included M.B. (Lond.), F.R.C.S. (E.), and D.P.H. (Lond.).

During the South African war Dr. GOODE served as a civil surgeon and was awarded the Queen's Medal and four clasps. In the first world war he served as a major with a field ambulance in France, where he was wounded and gassed. he was mentioned in despatches and awarded the Military Cross and bar.

Dr. GOODE was in practice in York for 40 years prior to his retirement in 1946, when he made his home at Clifton, Totland Bay. He was an honorary member of the Albert Victor Lodge of Freemasons. In his retirement he took a keen interest in the work of his wife (who is a cousin of the late Lord Baden Powell) during the time she was commissioner for Girl Guides in the West Wight. He leaves three sons.

Cremation too place at Portchester yesterday.

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