

1891 CENSUS: RG12/890. folio 106. page 9.
Address: 11 Park-road, Ryde, IW.

Arthur LOCKE. Head. M. 32. Butcher. Ryde, IW.

Rozella LOCKE. Wife. M. 27. Ryde, IW.

Ivon LOCKE. Son. 4. Scholar. Ryde, IW.

Dorothy LOCKE. Dau. 3. Ryde, IW.

Fanny SQUIBB. 15. General Servant. Ryde, IW.

1901 CENSUS: RG13/1024. folio 68. page 47.

Address: IW Infirmary, Ryde, IW.

Arthur J. LOCK. Patient. M. 42. Pork Butcher (employer). Ryde, IW.

(plus other staff and patients)

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Death Notice:-

LOCKE .. June 18, at 169 High-street, Ryde, **Arthur James LOCKE**, aged 74.

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DEATH OF MR. A.J. LOCKE, OF RYDE
A NOTABLE CHURCHMAN

We report with sincere regret the death of Mr. **Arthur James LOCKE**, one of Ryde's most prominent tradesmen and an esteemed warden at Holy Trinity Church, which occurred on Sunday evening at his home, 169 High-street, Ryde. Mr. LOCKE was unwell on Whit-Monday, and on the following Thursday he became seriously ill, pneumonia supervened, and a rapid decline followed. Although beyond his church work he took practically no part in town affairs he was widely known and greatly respected, and his demise is sincerely regretted by all he came into contact.

He was born on February 19th 1859, and was the second son of the late Mr. William LOCKE, a former Mayor of Ryde. Although 74 years old he carried his age remarkably well. After leaving school he entered his father's business, established in 1852, as a pork butcher. After his father's death he and his brother have continued the business with much success. From his early days he evinced a great interest in the work of the Holy Trinity Church, where he later became a sidesman, and had for some years been the vicar's warden. He had served under six vicars, including the Revs. A.J. WADE, M.A., W.M. CAMERON, M.A., J.E. EDDIS, M.A., N.H. STUBBS, and the present vicar, the Rev. S.A. MARSH. He was a member of the Diocesan and Ruri-decanal conferences, and at the last annual parochial meeting was elected chairman of the Church Finance Committee. His church duties were to him a labour of love, and he met arduous and difficult duties with the cheerfulness and patience of an unswerving friend and kindly counsellor. He was a very generous supporter of the church, and he was always ready to perform a kindly act. He was a man of high Christian ideals, of whom it is true to say that he had no enemies. Every Sunday at practically every service, he was in his accustomed place, and he will be sadly missed. On Whit-Sunday he attended all the services. By his death the church and the town has lost a highly esteemed worker. He married a Miss Rozella NEWBOLT, a member of a well known Ryde family, who predeceased him in 1908. he leaves two sons and two daughters, for whom much sympathy is felt.

On Thursday the Rev. S.A. MARSH was the celebrant at the low requiem at Holy Trinity Church, about 60 present.

THE FUNERAL

.... took place in the afternoon and was largely attended. The Vicar officiated. The cortege was met at the west door by the crucifer and full choir and proceeded to the chancel led by Mrs. G.J.

JANEWAY the deceased's fellow warden. Deceased's churchwarden's wand was draped with black crepe. Mr. A. Percy JAMES was at the organ and the choir led the singing of the hymn "On the resurrection morning," as the remains were borne from the church the Nunc Dimittis was chanted.

Mr. JAMES played "O rest in the Lord" (Mendelssohn) at the conclusion. Behind the funeral carriages walked Mr. L. COOPER Mr. Frank MOREY, Mr. F. COOPER, and Mr. J. HUNNYBUN (employees). The interment was at the Cemetery in the family grave, which was lined with yew and box. The coffin was of unpolished oak with brass fittings and the breastplate was inscribed, "Arthur James LOCKE, died June 18th, 1933, aged 74 years." The family mourners were Mr. and Mrs. L.H. LOCKE (son and daughter-in-law), Mr. A.C. LOCKE (son), Mrs. STANBROOK (daughter), Mr. and Mrs. A. AINLEY (son-in-law and daughter), Mr. A.E. LOCKE (brother), Mr. and Mrs. C.A. LOCKE (brother and sister-in-law), Mr. and Mrs. H.S. FOSTER (brother-in-law and sister), Mrs. E. HERRING, Miss Frances LOCKE, and Mrs. STEVENS (nieces), and Mrs. F. LOCKE (sister-in-law).

There were nearly 50 beautiful wreaths, including tokens from the Vicar and Mrs. S.A. MARSH; his fellow churchwardens and sidesmen; the organist, choirmaster, and servers; members of Holy Trinity Sewing Class; Ryde Philharmonic Society; members of the Trinity Club; his employees; and the I.W. Master Butchers' Association. Mr. C. LANGDON ably carried out the arrangements.

Among those present were the Rev. A.W.H. HARLOW, the Mayor of Ryde (Alderman E.C. GOBLE), Mr. Henry SWEETMAN, J.P., Mr. Arthur ANDREWS, J.P., Mr. A.F. WRIGHT, T.C., Mr. A.F. SAUNDERS, T.C., Dr. L. FIRMAN EDWARDS, the Misses CARTER (representing Mrs. Edward CARTER), Mr. W.H.F. THIRKELL (chairman), and Mr. W.G. BOWLEY (the Ryde Philharmonic Society), Mr. E.C. LOADER (the I.W. Master Butchers' Association), Mr. R.W.G. RUSSELL (representing Mr. Rowland RUSSELL, J.P.), Mr. L.J. SOUTER, C.C., Mrs. F.G. TURNER, Mrs. L. FIRMAN EDWARDS, Mrs. T. BLAKE, Mrs. DORE, Mrs. PEARSON, Mrs. SOFTLY, Mrs. SEARLE, Mrs. FOULKES, and Mrs. BALLARD (the St. Martin's War Memorial Chapel Guild), Mr. A. WILLSTEED (Messrs. WALLIS, RIDDETT, and Co.), Mrs. A. HOPGOOD, Mr. H. WOODNUTT, Mr. A. WHITE, Mrs. AUSTIN, Miss CHESSELL, Mrs. McNALLY, Mrs. and Miss PRITTY, Mrs. P.W. COURTNEY, Mrs. BATTERBURY, Mrs. MILLER, Miss SNOW, Mrs. LEE, Miss COOMBES (representing Mr. and Mrs. J.B. COOMBES), Mrs. WHITELOCK, Mrs. CONNER, Mrs. G. MANSON, Miss SWANN, Mrs. W.V. REYNOLDS, Mrs. CROSS, Mr. E. WILTSHIRE, Mrs. WATSON, Mrs. INGRAM, Mrs. CROUCHER, Mr. George FARDELL, and Mrs. G. ROGERS, Mrs. BUCKETT, Mrs. CASS, Mrs. MOTTRAM, Mrs. G. RYALL, Mr. and Mrs. J. DIMMER, Mr. and Mrs. T. SNUDDEN, Mrs. MORRIS, Mr. T.H. SCOTT JACKSON, Mrs. BURCHETT, Mrs. ALLEN, Miss E. GIBBONS, Mrs. GREGORY, Mr. R.J. GOBLE, Mr. W. MULLEKIN, Mr. C. NEWBALD, Miss E. NEWBALD, Mr. R. HANSON, Mr. J.G. DUFFETT, Mrs. A.P. JAMES, Mr. A.J. BALLARD, Mr. H. PLUMBLEY, Miss SIVELL, Miss WHITTINGHAM, the Misses F. and N. WEBB, Mr. and Mrs. W.E. AUSTIN, Mrs. DORE, Mrs. A.J. WILLIAMS, Mrs. GLOVER, Mr. E. SEARLE, Mrs. P.J. MONK, Mrs. J.D. DOHERTY, Mr. H.G. JOLLIFFE, Mrs. A. ATTRILL, Mr. P. LANGDON, Mr. H. GRINHAM, Mr. W.J. GREEN, Mr. J.T. GRACE, Mrs. F. BISHOP, Mr. W.G. ORCHARD, Mr. and Mrs. J. NORRISH, Mr. F. GAPE, Mr. C. PELHAM CLAY, Mr. G.P. ADAMS, Mr. J.B. RAYMENT, Mr. C. LIFE, Mr. W. DOREY, Mr. J.H. ADAMS, Mr. A. HOLMES, Mrs. ASKEY, Mr. T. HODGES, Miss HAPGOOD, Mrs. HAYLES, Mr. F. BURTON, Mrs. KEAN-PITT, Mrs. Trevor TYLER, Mrs. A. TEAGUE, Mr. ROACH, Mrs. RUGG, Mr and Mrs. J.W. BLUNDER, Mrs. BENNETT, Mrs. DRAPER, Mr. J. JAMES, Mr. J.H. DOWN, Mr. J.B. SNOW (representing Messrs. WHEELER Bros.), Nurse LAMBRICK, Miss TILLING, Miss FEBEN, Mrs. HAIR, Miss A. MAYHEW, Miss MAYHEW, Mrs. And Miss SIVIER, Mrs. BRIGDEN, Miss READY, Miss PERKIS, Mrs. QUELCH, Mrs. F. WEBB, Miss HIGHWAY, Nurse NAYLOR, Mrs. HAWSE, Mrs. EMERY, Mrs. LEAT, Mr. and Mrs. T. CARTER, Mr. and Mrs. T. SANDALLS, Mrs. And Miss VARDY, and Mr. A. VARDY.

The family of the late Mr. LOCKE desire to express their heartfelt thanks for the kind messages of sympathy received in their great loss.

OBITUARY
Mr. A.J. LOCKE

Many people in the Ryde and district will regret to learn of the death of Mr **Arthur James LOCKE**, which took place at his residence, 169 High Street, on Sunday night. Mr LOCKE was 74 years of age and was born, lived and died in the same house. He was known to practically everyone in Ryde and his genial and kindly by nature was the admiration of many close friends. Born on February 19th, 1859, the second son of a former Mayor of the borough, Mr. William LOCKE, deceased, took over the control of the old established pork butcher's shop which his father had started, upon the latter's death and had managed it ever since. He was working in the shop right up to the last.

Mr. LOCKE's main outside interest was in Holy Trinity Church, which he served loyally and faithfully under no fewer than five vicars, at first as sidesman and then for many years as churchwarden. He was a vicar's warden at the time of his death and his advice on church matters was always sound and helpful. A staunch supporter of the church, he had recently been appointed chairman of the finance committee, where his labours were much appreciated. He had been a member of the Parochial Church Council since they were first appointed. Of a keenly musical disposition, Mr. LOCKE was a member of the Committee of the Philharmonic Society. Mr. LOCKE's last illness was of very short duration. He was taken ill after evening worship on Whit-Sunday with influenza, which later developed into pneumonia.

His wife died in 1908. Two sons and daughters are left and a great sympathy will be felt with them in their bereavement.

The funeral will take place this (Thursday) afternoon at Holy Trinity Church at 2.30.

OBITUARY
MR A.J. LOCKE

The funeral of the late **Mr. A.J. LOCKE**, whose death was reported last week, took place at Holy Trinity Church on Thursday afternoon. The Rev. S.A. MARSH (vicar) officiated and the full choir led the singing of the hymn "On the resurrection morning," Mr. A.P. JAMES being at the organ, Psalms 130 and 23 and the Nunc Dimittis were chanted, the latter as the cortege was about to leave the church. "O Rest in the Lord" was played as the congregation was dispersing.

In the packed church the churchwarden's pew was left vacant, Mr. LOCKE's staff being covered with a black cloth.

The funeral procession up the nave was led by Mr. J.G. JANEWAY (people's warden).

The family mourners were Mr. and Mrs. I.H. LOCKE (son and daughter-in-law), Mr. A.C. LOCKE (son), Mrs. STANBROOK (daughter), Mr. and Mrs. AINLEY (son-in-law and daughter), Mr. A.E. LOCKE (brother), Mr. and Mrs. C.A. LOCKE (brother and sister-in-law), Mr. and Mrs. H.S. FOSTER (brother-in-law and sister), Mrs. E. HERRING, Miss Frances LOCKE and Mrs. STEVENS (nieces), and Mrs. F. LOCKE (sister-in-law).

Among those present were the Mayor (Alderman E.C. GOBLE), Councillors A.F. WRIGHT, F.A. SAUNDERS, and E.C. LOADER (I.W. Butchers' Association), Mr. H. SWEETMAN, J.P., Mr. A. ANDREWS, J.P., Mr. W.H.P.F. THIRKELL (chairman, Philharmonic Society), and Mr. W.G. BOWLEY (Philharmonic Society), the Rev. A.W.H. HARLOW (All Saints'), Mr. L.J. SOUTER, C.C., Mr. A.J. HOLMES, Mr. R.W.G. RUSSELL (representing Mr. Rowland RUSSELL, J.P.), Mr. H. JAMES, Mr. H. JOLLIFFE, Mr. P. LANGDON, Mr. H. GRINHAM, Mr. W.J. GREEN, Mr. J.H. DOWN, Mr. G. FARDELL, Mr. W. MALEKIN, Mr. R.J. GOBLE, Mr. A. WHITE, Mr. A. TEAGUE, Mr. E. WILTSHIRE, Dr. L. FIRMAN-EDWARDS, Mr. T. HODGES, Mr. G.P. ADAMS, Mr. A. WILSTEED (Messrs. WALLIS, RIDDETT and Co.),

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The following members of staff also followed : Mr. L. COOPER, Mr. F. COOPER, Mr. F. MOREY, Mr. J. HUNNYBUN.

The interment was at the cemetery where the Rev, S.A. MARSH read the committal sentences. The plain oak coffin had a raised brass breastplate, bearing the following inscription: "Arthur James LOCKE, died June 18, 1933, aged 74." The coffin was lowered into a grave lined with box and yew.

There were 45 wreaths, among them being tributes from the Vicar and Mrs. MARSH, the members of the Holy Trinity Parochial Church Council, the Churchwardens and sidesmen, the organist, choir, and services, the members of the Holy Trinity Church Sewing Guild, the Philharmonic Society, the Trinity Club, the I.W. Master Butchers' Association, and the employees. In the morning at Holy Trinity Church there was a Requiem Service. The Vicar conducted the service, which was attended by about 60 people.

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ISLE OF WIGHT TIMES Thursday 6th July 1933, front page

THE LATE MR A.J. LOCKE
AN APPRECIATION

THE Vicar of Holy Trinity, the Rev. S.A. MARSH, writing in the parish magazine, makes feeling reference to the passing of Mr. A.J. LOCKE, one of the churchwardens, who had a life-long connection with Holy Trinity.

"His was no nominal holding of an office, but was a matter of seriousness into which he put all his personal thought and as much time as he could possibly spare, making the affairs of the Church connected with it, really God's business, and bringing to bear upon it his long business experience and soundness of judgment. Reticent with regard to speech, almost accounting to shyness, his opinion when expressed was always to the point and always reliable," The Vicar says. "He watched the life of our church as one who loved her. And the difficulties which beset her never

turned him from his firm conviction that in the end they would overcome, and her progress certain. Anxiety he like many of us may have felt, but his quiet optimism and steadiness formed a complete antidote to pessimism and rash speech, and no Vicar could ever have had a Churchwarden who inspired more confidence and hope or whose loyalty could be surpassed.

“To me personally as well as being a good Churchwarden he was a good and true friend, both before I was instituted and after I became a Vicar, and I learned to rely and lean upon him more and more .

“ In times of perplexity and doubt; of discouragement and weariness, there was always that warm and confident smile and the cheering word, often so full of sound advice; whilst in times of success his wholehearted joy was manifest. It was I think just because he could rejoice with those that did rejoice and could weep with those that wept, that one always felt he possessed an attribute, which distinguishes a real Christian comrade and friend from the world’s conception of “ laugh and the world laughs with you.” etc.

“It is evidence of the simple Faith in our Lord and his Church, and his real humbleness of mind , that in spite of a life-long personal tradition, he was ready to embrace that, which before he had not perceived, as soon as it was manifested to him. He had also a great sense of the progressive nature of the Church’s spiritual life and was ever anxious that the children of to-day should be taught fully the Faith of the Church and their obligation to her.

“For sheer, simple Christian goodness, courtesy, humble-mindedness and loyal friendship and service, Arthur James LOCKE will ever remain in my memory, and I am sure in yours also, of whom it may be said he was a great example of a Christian gentleman, and was in the truest sense, a pillar of the Church, he loved and served so long and faithfully. We have had the joy and benefit of his example; the paths of everyday life have been made sweeter by his presence, and the greatest and most enduring monument we can erect to his memory is to cultivate and preserve in ourselves as a parish and congregation some of the nobleness of his spirit”.

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