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Henry EWBANK. Head. M. 72. Retired Clergyman. Forest Hill, Kent.

Louisa C. EWBANK. Wife. M. 55. Cranbrook, Kent.

Lucy C. EWBANK. Dau. S. 31. St. John's, Ryde, IW.

Mary F. C. EWBANK. Dau. S. 30. St. John's, Ryde, IW.

Elinor K. EWBANK. Dau. S. 20. St. John's, Ryde, IW.

Edith ELLIOTT. Serv. S. 27. Parlourmaid, Domestic. Frogmore, Devonshire.

Janet BULL. Serv. S. 22. Cook. Norton, Somersetshire.

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SUDDEN DEATH OF THE REV. H. EWBANK.

We regret to hear that the Rev. **H. EWBANK**, late Vicar of St. John's, died suddenly on Saturday night at his residence. Mr. EWBANK had resided in Ryde since 1856, when he was appointed incumbent of St. James's Church. In 1867 he was preferred to St. John's, which he resigned in 1898. he was an enthusiastic gardener , and had a unique collection of flowers in his garden. He was 73 years of age. The funeral will take place on Friday , Messrs. J.A. PURNELL having charge of the arrangements.

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DEATH OF THE REV. H. EWBANK

We have to record, with regret, the death of the Rev, **Henry EWBANK**, which took place somewhat suddenly on Saturday last. Deceased had been ailing in health , but was in his garden on the day named . As night he retired to rest, and after his retirement he was heard moaning in his room. On friends going to his assistance he was found to be ill and his medical man was sent for, but before his arrival life was extinct. Mr. EWBANK was a graduate of Brasenose College, Oxford where he took his Bachelor's Degree in 1852, proceeding to M.A. in 1856. He was ordained deacon in 1851, and priest in 1852 by the Archbishop of Canterbury. He was incumbent of St. Helen's, Ryde, from 1856 to 1867 and then vicar of St. John's from 1867 to 1898, when he resigned. He was an enthusiastic horticulturist, his garden , with its large and varied collection of flowers, being quite unique. As a parish priest he was most sympathetic with the sick and poor under his charge. Preaching at Holy Trinity Church on Sunday night , the Rev. W. CAMERON referred to the Rev. gentleman's sudden death , and said that the mourners had the consolation of knowing that he had lived the allotted span of human life. Time had been given him to mature his character and to attain that unassuming gentleness, that winning modesty and humility, which drew to him the love of those who knew him best. The funeral took place yesterday (Friday).

SUDDEN DEATH OF THE LATE VICAR OF ST. JOHN'S.

It is with much regret we record the death of the Rev. **Henry EWBANK**, M.A., which occurred somewhat suddenly on Saturday night last, at his residence, the Old Parsonage, St. John's, Ryde. The Rev. H. EWBANK first came to Ryde in the year 1856, in the year he was appointed to the incumbency for 31 years, and in 1867 was preferred to St. John's, at that time a scantily populated district. He held the position for 21 years, and saw many changes take place in that time, and a vast increase of population. He resigned in 1898 through failing health. The deceased gentleman was a most enthusiastic botanist and gardener, and during his annual holidays on the Continent was always on the look out for rare plants, and brought home many valuable specimens. His experiments in acclimatization were very successful, and the Parsonage garden was a veritable museum of rare plants. He was a frequent contributor to horticultural journals, and took great interest in local flower shows. The Editor of "The Garden" in the volume dedicated to him on December 29th, 1900. said: "For many years past *The Garden* has owed a heavy debt of gratitude to this keen observer and patient worker, a debt that can never be paid, but that can at least be gratefully acknowledged." The deceased gentleman had attained the age of 73 years.

THE FUNERAL

The funeral of the late Rev. H. EWBANK took place this (Friday) morning. The first part of the service was conducted at St. John's Church, the officiating clergy being the Rev. Miles ATKINSON (Newport), the Rev. A. KINGSTON (Vicar of St. John's) and the Rev. KING (curate). The hymn "Rock of Ages." Was sung, Mr. C.B. HAIR being the organist. The interment took place at the Ryde Cemetery. The past and present members of the choir acted as pall bearers. They included Messrs. ORCHARD, PURSER, O.J. FEBEN, JEFFREYS, KING, HAIR, jun., and F.L. TUTTE. The mourners were --- Miss Lucy EWBANK, Miss Mary EWBANK, Miss Eleanor EWBANK (sisters); Mr. Lucas EWBANK, Mr. Frank EWBANK (brothers); Rev. F. and Mrs. Stewart SANDEMAN (brother and sister-in-law); Mrs. LEVER (sister-in-law); Col. BRIGGS (cousin); Mr. A. EWBANK, Mr. W. RHODES (nephews); Mr. H. WADE (representing the Rev. A.J. and Mrs. WADE); Maidservants and indoor and outdoor servants. Among those also present were Col. CLAYTON, Rev. J. SHEARME (Vicar of Ryde), Rev. W.M. CAMERON, Rev. W.H. and Mrs. RICHARDS (late vicar of St. Helen's), Mr. W. GIBBS, Mr. T. DASHWOOD, J.P., Mr. J.H. DOWN, Mr. W. JACOBS, Mr. T. MORPHEY, Mr. PREWER, Mr. H. WAITE, Mr. C.W. VINCENT, Mr. LE BOUVIER, Dr. J.D. DAVIES, the Rev. H. COLEY, Mr. CRAWFORD, and many others.

There were many beautiful wreaths, crosses and floral tokens sent, "With Mr. and Mrs. H.S. MITCHISON's sincere sympathy," "General and Mrs. H.R. DREW, with much sympathy," "Mr. and Mrs. POPE and family, with deepest regret and sympathy," "With respectful sympathy from the teachers and children, St. John's Infant School, Oakfield," "With very kind sympathy from Mrs. HOWE and Miss KNOTT," "With deepest sympathy from Commander and Mrs. Douglas M. FORSYTH," "With sincere sympathy, A. and W. GRIMES," "In affectionate remembrance and respect, the Rev. Arthur KINGSTON." "With deepest sympathy, Mr. and Mrs. HALE," "In affectionate remembrance, Capt. And Mrs. DOBIE," "With

true and deep sympathy , Miss Margaret J. BOWLES,” “With deepest sympathy from the children and teachers of St. John’s Schools, girls and boys,” “With General and Mrs. CALTHORPE’s deepest sympathy,” “In kindest memory and with sincerest sympathy, the Rev. Miles ATKINSON and Mrs. and Miss ATKINSON,” ;“In loving memory from his three sisters”; “In grateful remembrance from Grace and Minnie JEFFREYS,” “With deepest sympathy from St. John’s Church choirmen, past and present”; “ With love and sympathy , Miss Hope JOHNSTONE”; “With much esteem and regard, Revs. Arthur CROOKSHANK”; “In memory of a 30 years friendship, from Mr. and Mrs. GIBBS”; “With deep, sorrow and sincerest sympathy, from the Rev. and Mrs. A.J. WADE and Miss WADE”; “Sincere sympathy from Mrs. LIPSCOMBE”; “ With Gen. and Mrs. GRANT’s sincere sympathy”; “ In affectionate remembrance of a true and valued friend from Mrs Arthur DANIELL”; “With deep sympathy, from Mr. and Mrs. JEFFREYS”; “ with much sympathy, Col. And Mrs. F.D. WALTERS”; “From Mrs. MONTGOMERY and family, in affectionate remembrance and deepest respect”; “Mrs. CARR TATE’s kind remembrance and deepest sympathy”; “From Major-Gen. A. COMYN PIGOU”; “In loving remembrance of dear Uncle Henry, Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. LEMON”; “With most sympathy from Arthur and Marjorie”; “A tribute of deep sympathy and respect A.A. and F.L. TUTTE”; “In affectionate remembrance of a kind and true friend, Mrs. and Miss PAKENHAM MAHON”; “ In remembrance , with love and deep sympathy, Mrs and Miss Stuart WALLACE”; “Mr. Mrs. and Miss Graham BIDEN’s most sincere sympathy.”

Mr J.A. PURNELL carried out all the arrangements for the funeral in his usual complete style.

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