1881 CENSUS: RG11/1181. folio 24. page 42.

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Kate WRIGHT. Serv. Unm. 15. Domestic Serv. Housemaid. Wootton Bridge, IW.

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Death Notice:-

MEARES: On April 15th, suddenly, Lieutenant-Col. **Mervyn MEARES**, C.M.G., D.S.O., Royal Army Ordinance Corps, Millfield, Ryde. Aged 49

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DEATH OF LT.-COL. MEARES.

The death took place at Southsea on Tuesday last, following an operation of Lieut.-Col. **Mervyn MEARES**, C.M.G., D.S.O., R.A.O.C., youngest son of the late Mr. Hugh MEARES and Mrs. MEARES, of Millfield, Queen's-road, Ryde, at the age of 49. Lt.-Col. MEARES had recently been appointed D.A.D.O.S. of the R.A.O.C. at the Hilsea Depot, Portsmouth, where he went from Tidworth. He leaves a widow and much sympathy has been expressed with the bereaved family.

The funeral took place on Thursday the first part of the service being at the Parish Church where the Vicar, the Rev. Canon G. A. JOHNSTONE officiated. The bearers were N.C.O.'s of the R.A.O.C. and the coffin was covered with the Union Jack upon which lay the late Colonel's cap and sword. A wreath bearing party from Hilsea Barracks followed. As the body was conveyed from the Church the organist (Mr. P. J. BEVAN) played "O Rest in the Lord."

Among those present were Major J.R. and Mrs. MEARES, Mr. Arthur Lloyd MEARES, Dr. and Miss WADHAM, Major-Gen. C.D.R. WATTS (Director of Ordnance Services, War Office), and

Mrs. WATTS, Col. H. W. MANN (officer command R.A.O.C., Hilsea), and Mrs. MANN, Lieut.-Col. H.L. WETHERED, A.D.O.S., Aldershot, Col. W. T. SHEPPARD, A.D.O.S., Southern Command, Col. R. B. E. and Mrs. LEAHY, Lieut.-Col. Chester DIXON, Lieut.-Col. R. H. DARWELL, Royal Marines, Major A. F. B. HOPWOOD, R.A.O.C., Major J. P. EARP and Mrs. EARP, Major WARREN, Col. FERNYHOUGH, Lieut.-Col.A. Scott HEWITT, Lieut.-Col. L. L. and Mrs. HOARE, Major and Mrs. PICTHALL, Dr. K. W. I. and Mrs. MACKENZIE, Drs. A. L. DAVIS, E. RICH, and A. B. WADE, and Messrs. Wyndham RICKETTS, P. THELLUSSON, G. R. BRIGSTOCKE, W. D. JOHNSTONE, and R. B. WATTS, Mrs. JOHNSTONE, Mrs. HUGHES, Mrs. THOMAS, Mrs. GRANT, Mrs. WADE, Miss CAREY, and Mr. and Mrs. OZZARD.

The interment was at the Cemetery. The grave was covered with beautiful floral tributes including wreaths from officers, warrant officers, N.C.O.'s, and men of all units of the R.A.O.C. all over England. Messrs. PURNELL and PURNELL were the undertakers.

Researched by Ann Barrett