

**DEATH OF CAPTAIN WELLESLEY R.A.**

We regret to record the death of Capt. WELLESLEY R.A., son of Colonel WELLESLEY, of the Terrace, Ryde, which sad event occurred at Sheerness on Monday. Deceased was only 31 years of age, and was invalided home and had a second attack of enteric fever, to which he succumbed.

His remains were conveyed to the station with full military honours, *en route*, for Ryde, and on arriving at 8 o'clock this Wednesday evening will be conveyed to the Catholic Church, where a requiem Mass will be sung, and at 10.30 this Thursday morning will be interred in the Cemetery.

Messrs. J. A. PURNELL are in charge of the funeral arrangements.

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**DEATH OF CAPT R. C. WELLESLEY, R.A.**

We regret to announce the death of Capt. **Richard Colley WELLESLEY**, only son of Col. WELLESLEY, of Ryde, which occurred at Sheerness on Monday. Deceased, who was only 31 years of age, was on General WESTMACOTT's staff and served as orderly officer during both campaigns in the Mohmund and Tirah countries last autumn, being mentioned in despatches. The medals and clasps of these wars only reached his relatives on Tuesday. He was invalided home through fever, and it was a recurrence of this illness which ended fatally. The remains, encased in lead, with an outer coffin of polished oak, left Sheerness on Wednesday morning. Full military honours were paid to the deceased by the troops in garrison, many naval officers also attending. The body, on reaching Ryde at 8 in the evening was taken direct to St. Mary's (Roman Catholic) Church. On Thursday morning a requiem mass was said by the Very Rev. Monsignor Provost CAHILL. The coffin was covered with the Union Jack as a pall and on it were the deceased's sword and helmet. A party of men from the Royal Artillery, Portsmouth attended as bearers, under the command of Lieut. LANGTON.

The chief mourners were Mrs. WELLESLEY (widow) and Col. and Mrs. WELLESLEY (father and mother). There were also present Col. CRADOCK, Col. FETHERSTONHAUGH, Capt. COLLINS, Mr. A. H. TATNALL, Col. CAREY, Capt. Ronald ALEXANDER. With Monsignor CAHILL was the Rev. Father CUNER.

Floral tributes of a very lovely character came from the officers of the Artillery at Sheerness, Sir Samuel and Lady BROWNE, Mrs. Augustus F. LEEDS, Mr. and Mrs. Murray LAWES, the men of the 22nd Co (Sheerness), Lieut-Col. and Mrs. CRADOCK, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. LIVINGSTONE, Frederica R. HAMILTON, Lady DALY, Mrs. Marcus SLADE, Lady ALEXANDER, "Année and Brooke," Mrs. Edmund RANDOLPH, Mrs. and Miss BRETT, Mrs. PAKENHAM MAHON, Mrs. C.C.H.P. BRIGSTOCKE, and Miss Annie E.A. BRIGSTOCKE, Mr. WINTHROP, "Michael," the officers Medway division Royal Engineer Militia, Mrs. JEFFREYS, Commander MARESCAUX, Secretary and Flag-Lieutenant, Sheerness, the servants and nurses EWAN and SHAW.

Mr. J. A. PURNELL had charge of the funeral arrangements.

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Researched by Ann Barrett