

1861 CENSUS: RG9/657. folio 44. page 17.
Address: 68 Union-street, Ryde, Newchurch, IW.

George RIDDETT. Head. Mar. 54. Upholsterer Auctioneer Master empl 4men 1boy. Ryde, Hants.

Mary RIDDETT. Wife. Mar. 53. Ryde, Hants.
George L. RIDDETT. Son. Un. 20. Confidential Clerk. Ryde, Hants.
William H. RIDDETT. Son. 14. Scholar. Ryde, Hants.
Emma C. RIDDETT. Dau. 12. Scholar. Ryde, Hants.
Jane COOLEY. Serv. Un. 26. House Servant. Newport, Hants.

1871 CENSUS: RG10/1165. folios 70/71 pages 20/21.
Address: 68 Union-street, Ryde, IW.

George RIDDETT. Head. Mar. 63. Upholsterer & Auctioneer empl 7men 2women. Ryde.

Mary RIDDETT. Wife. Mar. 62. Ryde.
Phillip T. RIDDETT. Son. Unm. 24. None. Ryde.
W. Hammond RIDDETT. Son. Unm. 23. Estate Agent & Auctioneer. Ryde.
Emma C. RIDDETT. Dau. Unm. 21. Ryde.
Emma LOWE. Sister-in-law. Unm. 59. Retired Milliner. Ryde.
Ellen HENDY. Serv. Unm. 21. Domestic Servant. Chale, IW.
Sarah C. FORE. Serv. Unm. 21. Domestic Servant. Belgium (British Subject).

1881 CENSUS: RG11/1180. folio 19. page 31.
Address: Highclere, West-street, Ryde, IW.

George RIDDETT. Head. Mar. 73. Retired Upholsterer. Ryde, IW.

Mary RIDDETT. Wife. Mar. 72. Ryde, IW.
Emma C. RIDDETT. Dau. Unm. 31. Ryde, IW.
Alice DENHAM. Serv. Unm. 20. Cook Domestic Serv. Wroxall, IW.
Elizabeth DYER. Serv. Unm. 14. Housemaid Domestic Serv. Gatcombe, IW.

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DEATH OF MR. GEORGE RIDDETT

We regret to record the death of Mr. **George RIDDETT**, of Highclere, one of our eldest and most respected townsmen. The event seems to have occurred very suddenly. The deceased gentleman has been visibly failing of late, but still he pursued his usual routine, and so sudden a termination of a useful life was not expected. He rose, apparently well, on Thursday, and had his bath and breakfast as usual, but was seized with spasms of the heart about 11 o'clock, and in spite of all that medical aid could do, he expired before 12. the deceased gentleman was a founder of the well-known business in Union-street, but had retired from active participation in the same. He served the town for some years on the old Board of Commissioners and so highly was his calm judicial mind and business capacity appreciated that he was elected chairman of that body, a position which he filled with credit. He also took a great interest in the Old Mechanics' Institute of which he was for many years the president, and the facilities which this institution afforded for

mental improvement were greatly appreciated. As a public man, Mr. RIDDETT obtained universal respect, while in private life he had many warm friends, who will learn with deep regret of his demise. He had, however, reached the allotted span, and for some years had ceased to take any active part in public affairs. The last public meeting which Mr. RIDDETT attended, but merely as a spectator, was the Government enquiry with respect to the erection of the bathing stage.

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FUNERAL OF MR. RIDDETT

The mortal remains of Mr. **George RIDDETT**, whose sudden death we chronicled in our last issue, were borne to their last resting place in the Cemetery on Wednesday morning. The

Rev. W.H. REDKNAP performed the service, and in addition to the members of the family, to whom the sudden bereavement has caused a severe shock, and for whom all must feel deep sympathy, we noticed amongst those who attended to show their respect for the deceased gentleman, Mr. Alderman B. BARROW, J.P., Mr. G. RENDALL, J.P., Mr. George GARNETT, Rev. Dr. WATTS, Rev. R. NUTT, Mr. J.J. HARDING, Mr. ELDRIDGE, Mr. FELGATE, Mr. R.J. CORNEWALL JONES, Mr. Alfred MORGAN, Mr. J. DOWN, Mr. H. PACK, Mr. H. JACOBS, ex-Alderman J. FUTCHER, Mr. Ernest GROVES, T.C, and Messrs. C. WOODWARD, W. JACOBS, W. MORPHY, and DAISH, of the Young Men's Christian Association, &c.

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