

MARRIAGE: circa 1853 at the Register Office or Non-conformist Church.  
**Frederick FEBEN & Elizabeth RANDALL.**

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Abode: Swanmore, Ryde, IW.

**Frederick FEBEN. Head. M. 27. Mason. Ryde, Hants.**

Elizabeth FEBEN. Wife. M. 27. Hursley, Hants.

Frederick FEBEN. Son. 7. Scholar. Ryde, Hants.

Elizabeth E. FEBEN. Dau. 5. Scholar. Ryde, Hants.

Clara S. FEBEN. Dau. 3. Ryde, Hants.

Anne M. FEBEN. Dau. 2months. Ryde, Hants.

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SAD DEATH THROUGH CARELESSNESS –

The Deputy-Coroner, E. F. BLAKE, Esq., held an inquest on Saturday evening, on the body of **Frederick FEBEN**, a master builder residing at Weeks near Ryde, who was accidentally killed on the morning of that day. It seems that Mr. RIDDETT, grocer, of Pier-street was having his house repaired, and employed two brothers named ALEXANDER to do the work. They not being able to repair the roof, employed FEBEN to do that part of the work, upon which he was engaged all the morning. Instead of going home to get one of his own ladders the deceased tied together two very slight ladders belonging to ALEXANDER, up which he went at least a dozen times, it was stated before the accident occurred; at one time the two ALEXANDER'S and deceased were all on the ladders together. About noon Charles ALEXANDER said "Are you going to dinner FEBEN?" Deceased replied that he was almost finished, only having one more slate to put in. he then took a slate, a hammer, and a "ripper" and proceeded up the ladder to the roof, while ALEXANDER stood at the foot to steady it. When about 28 feet from the ground the ladder that was tied on at the top and was much the slightest broke short off, and deceased fell backward, striking ALEXANDER and grazing his leg. Deceased pitched flat on his back, and never spoke afterwards. Dr. PLETTS was immediately sent for, and discovered that the deceased had dislocated his neck, and death must have been instantaneous. The son of the deceased said he could not understand how his father, who was a very heavy man, could have been so careless, with an experience of 30 years, as to go up such a ladder, and several practical jurymen, who examined it, said it was quite unfitted to bear the weight of a heavy man like deceased. A verdict of "Accidental death" was returned.

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