MARRIAGE: Sept ½ 1897 (General Registrars ref: Chorlton Reg dist. vol 8c. page 1478) Walter Gale THORPE & Clara Adeline SMITH

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Walter THORPE. Head. M. 30. Agent Tea Taster. Camden Town, London.

Clara THORPE. Wife. M. 31. Macclesfield, Cheshire.

Henry THORPE. Son. 2. Finchley.

Daisy YOUNG. Serv. S. 19. Gen Serv Domestic. Barkway, Herts.

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DEATH OF MRS. WALTER THORPE

The death occurred on Saturday at Union-street, of Mrs. Clara Adeline THORPE, widow of Mr. Walter THORPE, a former well known tradesman. Mrs. THORPE had been in failing health for some considerable time, and the sudden death of her son, Harry, whilst at sea last October was a blow from which she never completely recovered. She took to her bed about a week before her death, which was due to pneumonia. Mrs. THORPE succeeded her husband in the well known tobacco and newsagent's business in Union-street some 17 years ago, and was assisted by her son, Bernard, with whom the sincerest sympathy is felt. She was 61 years of age.

The interment on Wednesday was preceded by a requiem mass at St. Mary's (R.C.) Church. Canon MONGAN was the celebrant and afterwards conducted the funeral service. The interment was at Ryde Cemetery, beside the grave of her husband. The mourners were Mr. and Mrs. Bernard THORPE (son and daughter-in-law), Mrs. PARKINSON, Messrs. W. E. AUSTIN, E. FRY, and I. STOCK. Choice flowers were placed on the grave.

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