THE ISLE OF WIGHT COUNTY PRESS Saturday 29th May 1909.

DEATH OF MRS. LANGFORD PEARSE

The death occurred on Monday, at her London residence, 8 Cheyne walk, Chelsea, of Mrs **LANGFORD PEARSE**, widow of the late Major-General James LANGFORD PEARSE (Madras Staff Corps), who died at Ryde in January, 1892. The cremation took place at Golders Green on Thursday, Col. ROBERTS and Miss ROBINSON being present. The remains were afterwards brought to Ryde on Thursday evening and deposited in All Saints' Church, where the funeral service was held on Friday afternoon.

The service was conducted by the Vicar of Ryde (The Rev. Hugh LE FLEMING). The hymn "Lead kindly Light" was sung and as the procession left the Church The "*Nunc Dimittis*" was sung. The remains were placed in an oak casket, with brass fittings, and the inscription was "Emily Jane PEARSE, 18 September, 1832, 24 May,1909." The grave, which was lined with ewe and moss was next to that of Major-Gen PEARSE. The mourners were Miss PEARSE, The Countess DE MIREMONT, Miss ROBINSON, Mr. ELLIS (grandson), Miss ASHWORTH, Col. Charles PEARSE (brother- in- law),Mr. Evelyn RICH, Col. Napier PEARSE, Col. Arthur PEARSE,Col. ROBERTS, Mrs. COX, Mrs. PRITCHARD, and Mrs. Le MARCHANT.

There were numerous wreaths, including tokens from her daughters, Ethel, Col. Alleyne BLOOMFIELD and family "Charles HAPIE and theirs," Alice and C.F. ROBERTS, Beatrice and Dorothy, from the servants Flo and Eileen, Miss HOW, Mrs. Lawrence COX, Major-Gen. and Mrs. BOLTON, Minna and Hugh BOLTON, Minna and Hugh THORBURN, Gen. and Mrs BERESFORD, Mrs. and Miss ASHWORTH, Miss ACTON, Lady HAMILTON and Mrs. HAMILTON, Ralph and Dorothy, Kate, Mr., Mrs. and Miss DUNDAS.

A memorial service was held at the same time at Holy Trinity Church, Chelsea. Messrs. PURNELL AND PURNELL carried out the whole of the arrangements, both in London and at Ryde.

ISLE OF WIGHT OBSERVER Saturday 29th May 1909

DEATH AND FUNERAL OF MRS LANGFORD PEARSE

We regret to record the death of Mrs. LANGFORD PEARSE, widow of Major-General James LANGFORD PEARSE, which occurred at her London residence, 8, Cheyne Walk, Chelsea, on Monday last at at the age of 77. Major-General and Mrs. PEARSE resided for many years at St. Vincents, Ryde, and were well known throughout the Island. Major-General PEARSE, who was attached to the Madras Staff Corps, died in 1892 at the age of 68 years.

The remains of Mrs. PEARSE were cremated at Golders Green on Thursday, in the presence of Col. ROBERTS and Miss ROBINSON. The ashes, enclosed in a polished oak casket, with brass fittings, were brought to Ryde on Thursday evening and conveyed to All Saints' Church, where they laid until the interment on Friday afternoon. The inscription on the casket was as follows-

"Emily Jane PEARSE, Born 18th September, 1832, Died 24th May, 1909."

The first portion of the burial service was said at the Parish Church, the Vicar, (the Rev. Hugh Le FLEMING, M.A.) officiating. The service was choral, Dr. Yates MANDER being at the organ. The hymn "Lead Kindly Light" was sung. The urn containing the remains was conveyed to

the cemetery in an open hearse, which bore a large quantity of most beautiful flowers. At the cemetery the last rites were conducted by the Vicar.

The mourners were Miss PEARSE, The Comptesse de MIREMONT (daughters), Miss ROBINSON, Miss ELLIS, Mr. ELLIS (grandson), Colonel Charles PEARSE (brother- in- law). Mrs. ASHWORTH, Mr. Evelyn RICH (the deceased lady's medical adviser), Colonel Napier PEARSE, Colonel Arthur PEARSE, Colonel ROBERTS (brother in law), Mrs. COX, Mrs. PRITCHARD, Mrs. Le MARCHANT. Mrs Bennett BRIGSTOCKE attended the service in the church.

Flowers were sent by the following: Miss PEARSE; "With love, Ethel;""in loving memory from her grandchildren Ralph and Dorothy;" "In affectionate memory from Kate;" Major-General and Mrs. BOLTON; Mr and Mrs DUNDAS; Miss DUNDAS; Mrs.S.Lawrence COX; Miss HOW; Alice and C.F. ROBERTS; Beatrice and Dorothy; Colonel Alleyne BLOOMFIELD and family; Charlie, HAPIE and theirs; Lady HAMILTON and Gavin HAMILTON; Miss ACTON; Mrs.and Miss ASHWORTH; Minna and Hugh THURBURN (Cransley, Kettering); and the servants.

The funeral arrangements at London and Ryde including those in connection with the cremation were carried out by Messrs. PURNELL and PURNELL of Ryde.

ISLE OF WIGHT TIMES Thursday 3rd June 1909

THE LATE MRS PEARSE

The interment of the mortal remains of Mrs LANGFORD PEARSE, Widow of Major-General PEARCE, took place at the cemetery on Friday afternoon. The deceased lady, who with her late husband resided for many years at St Vincent's, Ryde, passed away at Chelsea on Monday, at the age of 77. The remains were cremated at Golder's Green and the ashes, enclosed in a polished oak casket, with brass fittings, were brought to the Island on Thursday evening, and placed in All Saints' Church, where the first part of the burial service was said prior to the interment, the Vicar (the Rev H. LE FLEMING) officiating here and at the graveside.

The mourners were Miss PEARSE and the Countess DE MIREMONT (daughters), Mrs ROBINSON, Miss ELLIS, Mr ELLIS, Col Charles PEARSE Col Napier PEARSE, Col Arthur PEARSE, Col ROBERTS, Mrs COX, Mrs PRITCHARD Mrs LE MARCHANT, and Doctor RICH. A large number of beautiful floral tributes were sent.

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