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**Montagu HALL. Head. M. 69. Retired Army Officer. Bristol, Gloucester.**

Emily HALL. Wife. M. 56. Bayswater, London.

Edith E. HALL. Dau. S. 22. Walmer, Kent.

Beatrice M. M. HALL. Dau. S. 29. Aldershot, Hants.

Gladys M. M. HALL. Dau. S. 18. Canada.

Ruby HALL. Dau. S. 16. G..... Hants.

Bridget NAUGHTEN. Serv. S. 23. General Servant Domestic. Asheys, IW.

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ISLE OF WIGHT COUNTY PRESS Saturday 19th March 1904

Death Notice:

**HALL** .. Mar. 19, at Ryde, Colonel **Montagu HALL**, aged 72.

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**DEATH OF AN INDIAN HERO AT RYDE.**

The death occurred on Saturday, at Ryde, of Col. **Montagu HALL**, a very distinguished officer, who had for a long time resided in the Island, first at Shanklin and latterly at Ryde. Col. **Montagu HALL** was, as a letter received from an officer of the corps says, a genial and very popular commandant of the first Batt. Royal Munster Fusiliers. He served with the 1st Bengal Fusiliers during the Burmese war of 1852-53, receiving the medal and clasp for Pegu. As Assistant Field Engineer with HAVELOCK'S force, he was present at the passage of the Ganges, at Cawnpore, and at the first relief of Lucknow, and was employed in all the mining operations of the defence of the Residency, until it was finally relieved by Lord CLYDE. He led one of the storming parties on the Hirn Khannah, for which he was mentioned in despatches. He was with OUTRAM at the occupation of the Alumbagh, and he served with the 1st Bengal Fusiliers at the capture of Lucknow in 1858 and during the subsequent operations in Oude. He received the medal with two clasps and a years service for Lucknow. He obtained his company in 1862, became major in 1875, lieutenant-colonel in 1880, and colonel in 1883. Regret has been universally expressed at the death of such a gallant officer, and his bereaved family have received very many letters of condolence bearing eloquent testimony to the deceased's worth. Both the late Commanders-in-Chief of the British Army, Lord ROBERTS and Lord WOLSLEY, have written, the former recalling the fact that he and Col. HALL were friends at Delhi, and saying how much it grieves him that they would never again meet on earth, Lord WOLSLEY saying the deceased was a gallant soldier and served his Queen ably for many, many years. A number of other distinguished officers and old comrades have also written in similar terms.

The funeral took place at the Cemetery on Thursday afternoon, the Rev. W. G. WHITTAM officiating. The mourners were Capt. and Brevet-Major W. M. HALL, Mr. Sinclair HALL, the Misses HALL (four); Col. P. DRUITT, Col. A. JERVIS, and Col. NORCOTT (all old Royal Munster officers), Mr. M. SPENCE (late Sergeant R.M. Fusiliers, who served 21 years with the late Colonel); Capt., Mrs., and the Misses UNDERWOOD, Miss HUGHES, Col. H. G. BROWNE, V.C. Admiral Sir Walter HUNT-GRUBBE, G.C.B., Capt. BYNG, R.N., Col. LAYARD, Capt. DAUBUZ, Dr. J. D. DAVIES, and the Rev. A. G. FRYER. There would have been a larger attendance of representatives of the deceased's old corps present, but for the fact that the 1st Battalion is abroad and the 2nd in Ireland. Apologies for absence were received from Field-Marshal Earl ROBERTS, Field-Marshal Viscount WOLSLEY, and many others. The coffin was of

polished oak, and the Union Jack was used for a pall.

There were a number of beautiful flowers. Amongst them was a lovely white posy with the inscription: "My beloved husband, from his devoted and sorrowing wife." There was a large daffodil heart "to our beloved father, from his sorrowing and broke-hearted children." A laurel wreath was the "tribute" sent by Col. BROWNE V.C., "to one of the illustrious Lucknow garrison, from a surviving officer." Others sending memorial tokens were: The officers 2<sup>nd</sup> Batt. Munster Fusiliers; Clara, Willie, and the children.; Mr. and Mrs. Finch NOYES and family; all at 9, Warwick-Road; Fanny and Ethel; the servants, Fairlight; Major-General and Mrs. RIDEOUT and comrades of 1<sup>st</sup> Batt. Royal Munster Fusiliers; and Mary BARLOW, Thornleigh, Shanklin; Mr. and Mrs. J. FLETCHER; Capt. And Mrs. BYNG; Eileen and Elsie PAINTER; Mr. and Mrs. INNES; a few old comrades of the Royal Munster Fusiliers, Kinsale; Walter and Leila; Mr. and Mrs. Graham BIDEN and family; Colonel and Percy DRUITT; Winnie and Ted; Miss Isabel MORANT; Capt. and Mrs. UNDERWOOD and family; Col. TURNER; Messrs. Coombes were in charge of the arrangements.

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ISLE OF WIGHT OBSERVER Saturday 19th March 1904

### DEATH OF COLONEL MONTAGU HALL

The death occurred on Saturday at Ryde, Isle of Wight, of Colonel **Montagu HALL**, lately commanding the 1st Battalion Royal Munster Fusiliers, at the age of 72. He served with the 1st Bengal Fusiliers during the Burmese war of 1852-53. As Assistant Field Engineer with HAVELOCK's force he was present at the passage of the Ganges at Cawnpore, and at the first relief at Lucknow, and was employed in all the mining operations of the defence of the Residency, until it was finally relieved by CLYDE. He led one of the storming parties on the Hirn Khannah, for which he was mentioned in dispatches. He was with Outram at the occupation of the Alumbagh, and he served with the 1st Bengal Fusiliers at the capture of Lucknow in 1858, and during the subsequent operations in Oude. He obtained his company in 1862, and became Major in 1875, Lieutenant Colonel in 1880, and Colonel in 1883.

The funeral took place on Thursday at Ryde Cemetery, when the Rev. W. M. WHITTAM officiated. The coffin, which was of polished oak, with brass furniture, was covered with the Union Jack. The mourners were Major Montague HALL (son), Misses Edith, Cyril, Gladys and Ruby HALL, daughters; Capt. St. Clair HARNETT, Cols. DRUITT, JERVIS, NORCOTT and SPENCE, late of the deceased's regiment; also Admiral Sir W. HUNT GRUBBE, Col. BROWNE, V.C., Col. LAYARD, Capt. BARLOW, Capt. DAUBUZ, Capt. BYNG, Mr. J. D. DAVIES, Mr. LEWIS, Capt. LEWIS, Col. WOODWARD, Rev. FRYER, Mr. INNES Mr. G. H. HARRISON, and many others.

Wreaths were sent by "Old Comrades of the 1st Fusiliers," Colonel BROWNE, Colonel TURNER, Colonel and Mrs. DRUITT, Captain and Mrs. UNDERWOOD, Mr. J. F. FLETCHER, Captain BYNG. Captain and Mrs. BARLOW. Sympathetic letters were received from Lord ROBERTS, Viscount WOLSELEY, and others.

The arrangements were carried out by Messrs Coombes.

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*NB: In the list of the above mourners, it gave one of the daughters as "Cyril", this was as written in the newspaper and may possibly be incorrect.*