MARRIAGE: 24th July 1850 at Newchurch, IW.

Harry PERKIS. Full/age. Bachelor. (father: William PERKIS) & Emma BARNES. Full/age. Spinster. (father: James BARNES)

1851 CENSUS: HO107/1664. folio 88. page 27. Address: 2 Albert-street, Ryde, Newchurch, IW.

Harry PERKIS. Head. Mar. 23. Porter. Ryde, Hants. **Emma PERKIS. Wife. Mar. 26. Devizes, Wilts.**

1881 CENSUS: RG11/1179. folio 30. page 12.

Address: 10 Warwick-street, Ryde, IW.

Harry PERKIS. Head. Mar. 56. Man Cook (Nd). Ryde, Hants.

Emma PERKIS. Wife. Mar. 53. Devizes, Wilts.

Rowland PERKIS. Son. 12. Scholar. Ryde, Hants.

William WARD. Boarder. 7. Scholar. Ryde, Hants.

The 1901 census shows **Emma** living on her own, still in Warwick-street, but by 1911 she was living with her daughter and son-in-law in Simeon-street.

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A LINK WITH THE PAST

Mrs. **Emma PERKIS**, who died at the residence of her daughter, Cleader Cottage, Simeon-Street, on Monday, would have been 93 years of age if she had lived until May. She was the widow of Mr. Harry PERKIS, whom she survived for 20 years. Most intelligent and highly interesting up to the last, this old lady was certainly a link with the past. She was born at Devizes, Wilts, in 1824, and as a child of 4 was placed in a four-horse coach and taken to London, where she lived with an uncle. She was fond of talking of, the old sedan chairs and the Link boys and their lights. She was proud of the fact that she had known Charles DICKENS, and spoke of the many times she had met him at a friend's house.

She came to Ryde about 70 years ago, and was married at Newchurch, the old mother church of the town, on July 23, 1850. She was youngest child of 18, and her eldest sister, who was born in 1800, lived to a great age. She leaves four sons, two of whom are in America , and one daughter.

The funeral took place yesterday (Friday) afternoon, the first part of the service being at Holy Trinity Church. The chief mourners were Mr. Harry PERKIS and Mr. Rowland PERKIS (sons), Mr. and Mrs. GATRILL (son-in-law and daughter), Mrs. N. PERKIS, three grandchildren, and Mesdames KERSWELL, GILLESPIE, and COTTELL (nieces).

(Also in the IW Observer, no further information)