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Emma AUSTIN. Wife. Mar. 41. Ryde, IW. Emma E. AUSTIN. Dau. Unm. 17. Ryde, IW. Edith AUSTIN. Dau. Unm. 16. Ryde, IW. Alfred L. AUSTIN. Son. 14. Scholar. Ryde, IW.

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FATAL ACCIDENT TO A RYDE PILOT

We regret to record the death, from misadventure, of Capt **George AUSTIN**, a well-known pilot, residing at Princes-street, Ryde. It appears Mr. AUSTIN left Southampton on Sunday night in the *Fulda*, one of the North German Lloyd steamers, for Bremerhaven. It would appear from the brief telegrams which have been received here, that about half-past eight on Tuesday evening he was going on board the steamship *Saale*, in Bremerhaven, when from some mischance he fell between the tender and the ship. It is supposed he must have struck himself, for ten minutes elapsed before his body was recovered, and he was then quite dead. The irony of fate is shown by the fact that the vessel which he took over Bremen, is now bringing his remains home.

Mr. AUSTIN was about 48 years of age, and for about nine years, had been one of the selected pilots employed by the North German Lloyd. He was very much respected, and his untimely death is lamented by a large circle of friends. He leaves a widow and three children who are all fortunately grown up.

ISLE OF WIGHT OBSERVER 13th Oct 1888

FUNERAL OF A RYDE PILOT

The remains of the late Mr. **George AUSTIN**, whose accidental death we recorded last week, were interred in the Cemetery on Tuesday afternoon, in the presence of a very large number of townspeople. The coffin, which was made in Germany, was one of the handsomest ever seen here. It was enamelled in black with gold ornaments, and solid brass handles. On the top was a large cross. The widow, with her son and two daughters, were the chief mourners, and amongst the relations and friends who followed were Messrs. J. AUSTIN, F. AUSTIN, A. AUSTIN, W. AUSTIN, James and John WEARN; Messrs. Charles and W. C. HARVEY; Messrs. BOWYER and DAVIS from Southampton; Messrs. W. and E. BIGGS, and about 70 others.

The service was most impressively read by the Rev. COOPER, Curate of All Saints'. Several wreaths were placed on the coffin, and one, especially noticeable was from, the officers and crew of the North German Lloyd Company's steamer.
