

1871 CENSUS: RG10/1165. folio 81. page 41.

Abode: 130 High-street, Ryde, IW.

Francis CARTER. Head. Mar. 52. Carriage & Harness Maker, Livery Stable Keeper, empl 17 men & 8 boys. Newport, IW.

Eliza CARTER. Wife. Mar. 50. Little Hampton, Sussex.

Charles CARTER. Son. Unm. 19. Ryde, IW.

Eliza CARTER. Dau. Unm. 17. Ryde, IW.

Ellen CARTER. Dau. 13. Scholar. Ryde, IW.

Elizabeth CARTER. Dau. 11. Scholar. Ryde, IW.

**Alice Mary CARTER. Dau. 5. Ryde, IW.**

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1901 CENSUS: RG13/1025. folio 39. page 15.

Abode: 10 Vernon-square, Ryde, IW.

Hollis B. FOWLER. Head. M. 35. Draper (employer). Ryde, IW.

**Alice M. FOWLER. Wife. M. 35. Ryde, IW.**

Hollis C. FOWLER. Son. 11. Ryde, IW.

Ethel F. WHITE. Serv. S. 18. General Servant Domestic. Ryde, IW.

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### **THE LATE MRS. H. B. FOWLER**

Funeral service at Congregational Church

The funeral service of Mrs. **Alice Mary FOWLER** (Messrs. FOWLER and Co. Union-street) and mother of Mr. H. Charley FOWLER, who died on Thursday in last week after a long illness, took place on Tuesday afternoon and was accompanied with every mark of respect in memory of one who was so universally esteemed. The deceased who was 59 years of age, travelled to Wales about six weeks ago in an endeavour to recruit her failing health but after a short period there she was suddenly taken seriously ill and was compelled to return to her home at 10 Vernon-square where she died. The late Mrs. FOWLER was the daughter of the late Francis CARTER and spent the whole of her life in the town and was closely associated with the Congregational Church, George-street, of which she was a valued supporter. Much sympathy has been expressed with the family in their sad bereavement.

Prior to the interment at the Cemetery a service was held at the Congregational Church which was impressively conducted by the Rev. G. Palmer LEWIS and which was largely attended, those present including the Mayor and Mayoress (Alderman and Mrs. A. ANDREWS), Rev. M. L. GAUNT, and many personal friends of the deceased. Appropriate music was played by the organist (Mr. H. J. BOUND) whilst the congregation assembled. Re. G. Palmer LEWIS met the cortege at the entrance to the church and preceded the coffin covered with beautiful flowers to the front of the

rostrum. The choir was present under the direction of Mr. W. E. GALLEY, and led the beautiful singing of the hymns "Lead us O Father," and "Eternal Light! Eternal Light."

The Rev G. Palmer LEWIS prefaced a touching tribute to the deceased's memory by remarking that there is a time to be silent and a time to speak, and there were certain events that befell them that were so solemn, and so laden with inner meaning that they seemed to cry out for oral expression. He had no manner of doubt as to the significance of the occasion and for himself and for all members of the church a significance which he could express in one simple word—fidelity. Churches like individuals in the course of years passed through difficult experiences, experiences which needed courage, patience and hope. Fidelity was a test of character and that day as a friend and a minister of the church for well nigh 10 years he wished to pay his humble tribute to her whom they mourned and say "Well done thy good and faithful servant, enter into the joy of thy Lord." In good days and in bad days, in sunshine and in shadow, in seasons of prosperity and seasons of adversity, she stood, aye she bravely stood for the church of her Lord. He told them that because he felt it and wanted them to thank God for it. He told them because there were times when he was shamed by the beautiful fidelity of some of the men and women to whom it was his privilege to minister and he wanted all of them to be shamed and in their sorrow to find some new impulse, some divine urge, some clear compelling call towards the glory of a more faithful life.

The mourners were Mr. Hollis B. FOWLER (husband), Mr. and Mrs. H. Charley FOWLER (son and daughter-in-law), Mrs. L. BEE (sister), Mrs. Fred WHEALE (sister-in-law), Mr. J. FOWLER (brother-in-law), the Misses FULLER, STEVENS, and SIMMONDS (three of the oldest hands of S. FOWLER and Co.) and Miss HOPKINS (nurse).

Practically the whole of the staff of Messrs. FOWLER and Co. were present as well as the chauffeur and servants.

The interment took place in the family vault where many members of the late Mr. Francis CARTER's family lay at rest. The coffin was of plain oak and the breastplate bore the inscription: Alice Mary FOWLER, Died August 14<sup>th</sup>, aged 59 years.

Messrs. PURNELL and PURNELL carried out the arrangements under the supervision of Mr. J. B. PURNELL. The following is the list of wreaths:

Mr. H. B. FOWLER, Mr. and Mrs. H. Charley FOWLER, Mrs. L. BEE, Mr. and Mrs. F. WHEALE, Mr. and Mrs. E. S. FOWLER, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. FOWLER, Mr. Leonard CARTER and family, Miss F. BEE, Mr. and Mrs. BATT, Miss M. WHEALE, and Mr. and Mrs. APPLETON, the Staff S. FOWLER and Co., Miss HOPKINS (nurse), Lily (maid at 10 Vernon-square), Mr. A. BLACKLOCK (chauffeur), G. Bushell (gardener), F. FIELD and SIVELL (porters Union-street), Miss SHEPHERD (former maid), Miss Edith WHEALE, the Misses BEE (Bournemouth), the Choirmaster, organist and members of the choir of the Congregational Church, George-street, Mrs. E. MORRIS (Shanklin), Mrs. PRUST (Southampton), Mr. and Mrs. Guy WISE (Rickmansworth), Mr. and Mrs. H. G. JOLLIFFE, Mr. G. J. WHITEWOOD, Miss McDOUGALL and Miss WILLIAMS, Mrs. YOUNG and Miss GIBB, Mrs. BROWN and family (Beech Grove, Brading), Miss Flossie LANGDON, Mrs. GOODFELLOW and Mrs. and Miss WEEKS (Sandown), Mr. and Mrs. J. E. BREBNER and Miss THORPE, Mr. and Mrs. H. P. CHIVERTON, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. TAYLOR, Dr. E. L.

HORSBURGH, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh TAYLOR (Gatcombe), Miss E. LITTLEFIELD, Mr. and Mrs. Leigh THOMAS, Mrs. LETT, Mr. and Mrs. FORER and family, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas MARVIN and Miss PADMORE, Mr. H. H. MORGAN, Mr. and Mrs. H. HART, Mr. and Mrs. Hy. WILFORD, Misses Emily and Mabel BLUNT (London), Mr. and Mrs. W. H. J. ALEXANDER and family (New Cross), Mrs. GILLHAM (Hampstead), Mr. T. B. GREEN and family (St. Helens), Mr. and Mrs. George DOGGRELL, Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred GRIFFIN, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. PURNELL, Mr. J. F. and Mr. C. BREBNER, Mr. and Mrs. W. GIBSON (Sandown). A large number of messages of sympathy were received in addition.

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Researched by Ann and Les Barrett