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Address: 29 Hill-street, Ryde, IW.

Henry BESSANT. Head. M. 37. General Labourer. Ryde, IW.

Rose BESSANT. Wife. M. 32. Ryde, IW.

Maud BESSANT. Dau. 14. Ryde, IW.

Harry BESSANT. Son. 13. Ryde, IW.

Frederick BESSANT. Son. 11. Ryde, IW.

Percy BESSANT. Son. 8. Ryde, IW.

Stanley BESSANT. Son. 11months. Ryde, IW.

Sydney BESSANT. Son. 4. Ryde, IW.

In 1911 **Percy** was living in Hill-street (same address), with his parents, 4 sisters, and 4 brothers. His occupation was given as a Porter.

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BESSANT Percy Reginald

BESSANT Stanley George

BESSANT Harry

BESSANT Ena Marie

BESSANT Rex

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BESSANT Amy Beatrice

BESSANT Ena

ISLE OF WIGHT TIMES Thursday 5th December 1935

MR. P. R. BESSANT

We regret to report the death of Mr. Percy Reginald BESSANT, which occurred last Friday at his home, 45 Weeks Road, at the age of 43. He served in the Royal Navy from 1912 until 1922, and was on board H.M.S. Vincent in the Battle of Jutland. During the last five years he has been employed on the Pier. He was a native of Ryde, and was held in high esteem by his many friends.

The funeral took place on Tuesday at the Cemetery, when the mourners were Messrs. S. A. BESSANT, S. G. BESSANT, R. BESSANT (brothers), and C. HICKMAN (brother-in-law). Others present were Councillors C. L. ELLERY, W. RUSSELL and F. A. SAUNDERS (representing the Pier Committee), Mr. R. LUGG (Pier Superintendent), H. MILLICHAP (station master), Mr. Scott JACKSON, Mr. J. DAISH and Mr. J. ROBERTS (representing the Southern Railway), Mr. J. NORRIS, Mr. H. SAVILL, Mr. RAYNER, Mr. MILFORD and Mr. F. WHEELER (representing the Pier Staff), Mr. E. W. MORRIS and MR. E. J. JONES.

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