

MARRIAGE: 1st ¼ 1874 (General Registrars ref: West Ham Reg Dist. Vol 4A. Page 68)

John Say CLARKE & **Matilda ACHESON**

1881 CENSUS: RG11/1391. folio 29. page 4.

Address: Aurea Villa, London-road, Edmonton.

John Say CLARKE. Head. Mar. 69. Retired Doctor of Medicine. Bombay, East Indies (Brit Sub).

Matilda CLARKE. Wife. Mar. 68. Dublin, Ireland.

Lucy Maria CURTIS. Serv. Unm. 59. Domestic Servant. London, Middx..

1891 CENSUS: RG12/890. folio 114. page 25.

Address: 15 Melville-street, Ryde, IW.

John CLARKE. Head. M. 79. Retired Physician. Bombay, East Indies (British Subject).

Matilda CLARKE. Wife. M. 79. Dublin, Ireland.

Fanny BAKER. S. 26. General Servant Domestic. Cowes, IW.

ISLE OF WIGHT OBSERVER Sat 19th February 1898

ACCIDENT TO AN AGED LADY.---An inquest was held on Thursday afternoon by the Coroner, Mr. E. F. BLAKE, upon the body of Mrs. CLARKE, a lady 86 years of age, wife of Dr. John Say CLARKE, of Montpellier Melville-street. The jury, of which Mr. H. N. ADAMS was foreman, having viewed the body,

Dr. CLARKE deposed that on January 25th he was in his dressing room between 10 and 11 o'clock, when he heard something fall, and on running down stairs found deceased in a sitting position on the stairs. She did not say how it happened.

Charlotte WOOD, the servant, also deposed to hearing the noise of the fall on the date in question, and on running to see what it was found Mrs. CLARKE lying on the floor at the foot of the stairs with her back against the wall. Witness went for Dr. GREENING who came immediately. Although deceased was occasionally conscious she never explained how she came to fall downstairs, and on Tuesday morning last she died.

Dr. GREENING deposed that he was called in and found deceased as described. He helped to carry her into the adjoining room, and placed her on a sofa. She was very feeble, but Dr. CLARKE would not let him examine her that day or the next, but on the day following he did so and found the right leg thigh bone broken. The deceased was not in good health, but there was no doubt the accident hastened her death.

The jury returned a verdict of death from natural causes.

The funeral took place this afternoon in Ryde Cemetery. The Rev. R. NUTT assisted by the Rev. W. CAMERON, took the services. The outer coffin was of polished oak, with handsome brass fittings, the brass plate bearing the engraved inscription --- Matilda CLARKE, born March 10th, 1811; died February 15th, 1898.

Messrs. PURNELL of 7 and 8, High-street, carried out all the arrangements.
