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Address: 1 High-street, Oakfield, Ryde, IW.

Charles W. DEW. Head. M. 50. Bricklayer. Lichfield, Hants.
Rosina DEW. Wife. M. 42. Merstone, IW.
Walter H. DEW. Son. S. 18. Apprenticed to Bricklayer. Swanmore, Ryde.
Charles E. DEW. Son. S. 15. Errand Boy. Swanmore, Ryde.
Arthur G. DEW. Son. 13. Errand Boy. Swanmore, Ryde.
Ann M. DEW. Dau. 11. Scholar. Swanmore, Ryde.
Ashford F. DEW. Son. 2. Ryde.

In 1911 Ashford was living at 1 High-street, Oakfield, Ryde, with his father Charles. His occupation was given as Joiner.

MARRIAGE: 1915 at Holy Trinity Church, Ryde, IW.
Ashford Frederick DEW & Jessie Emily JOY

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OAKFIELD MAN'S DEATH FROM BLOOD POISONING

The Acting Deputy Coroner (W. H. P. F. THIRKELL, Esq.) held an enquiry into the death of Mr. Ashford Frederick DEW, aged 45, of 1 High-street, Oakfield, at the Primitive Methodist School Ryde, on Tuesday. Mr. F. C. WATTS was foreman of the jury, Mr. P. W. HARMAN represented the widow, Mr. H. JARVIS deceased's employers, Messrs. WHITEWOOD, and Inspector ROGERS the police.

Mrs. Jessie Emily DEW said her husband was employed by Messrs. WHITEWOOD as a carpenter since May 24th. On Tuesday October 31st he came home and complained that while at work at a shop in High-street he had run a wooden splinter into the little finger of his right hand and that it was very painful. Without having the splinter removed, he returned to work next morning. In the afternoon when he came home he said he had got the splinter out himself. On Thursday he returned to work after dinner but came home again at 2.30 p.m. saying he could not lift his right arm. Dr. KENNEDY ordered him to remain in bed. Dr. SIM suggested that the patient should be removed to the County Hospital but her husband objected. During that night he had no pain and was in very good spirits, but had no sleep. She was with him at 7.10 a.m. next morning when he died. At 6.30 a.m. he became unconscious and previous to that his mind had been wandering.

By Mr. JARVIS: Her husband was a healthy man.

Victor Cyril JONES, of 24 Well-street, Ryde, an apprentice carpenter employed by Mr. WHITEWOOD, stated that on November 1st he was working with the deceased at 108 High-street. At about 11 o'clock deceased said he had a splinter in his finger. Witness saw him pull it out.

George Jolliffe WHITEWOOD, deceased's employer, a builder, of 107 Monkton-street, said deceased was only using ordinary deal wood at the time of the accident.

Dr. L. FIRMAN-EDWARDS said he made a post-mortem examination of the body, which was in an advanced stage of decomposition considering the time that had elapsed since death. On the little finger of the right hand was an abraded wound showing no evidence of any healing. The kidneys were intensely congested and the lungs congested at the base suggesting acute septic infection. He was in the opinion that deceased died from septicæmia following an infected wound.

Mr. HARMAN: You think that this condition might have been caused by the infection of this wound:

The doctor: Yes. There was no sign of any other injury.

The foreman announced that the jury were agreed that deceased met his death through septic poisoning caused by a splinter in the finger during his occupation.

The Coroner expressed sympathy with the widow.

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FUNERAL OF MR. A. F. DEW

The funeral of Mr. A. F. DEW, took place on Wednesday afternoon, the first part of the service being at the Congregational Chapel, Elmfield. The Rev. Evelyn THOMAS, B.A., B.D. officiated at the church and also read the committal sentences at the Westridge Cemetery. Mrs. HOSKINGS was at the organ and the hymns were "O God our help in ages past" and "When I survey the wondrous cross."

The chief mourners were Mrs. DEW (widow), Mr. and Mrs. W. COOK (uncle and aunt), Mr. A. COOK and Mr. B. COOK (cousins), Mr. P. DEW, Mr. A. DEW, and Mr. A. TUCKER (nephews), Mrs. JOY, Mrs. NEWNHAM (sisters-in-law), Mr. F. J. GAPE, Mr. G. HOGG, Mr. W. RICE, and Mrs. MEDWAY.

Among those present at the church were Major A. DENNIS, C.C., Councillor and Mrs. F. A. SAUNDERS, Councillor W. F. GAWN, Councillor H. A. WOODS, Commander P. C. MUNROE, Mr. A. TIBBEL, and Mr. C. J. LANDER (representing St. John's Ratepayer's Association, Mr. G. J. WHITEWOOD (employer), Mrs. C. WHITE, Mrs. RICHARDS, Mrs. F. PLATER (representing Mr. PLATER), Mrs. PETTY, Mrs. FARR, and Mrs. W. WHITE.
