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SUDDEN DEATH OF MR HENRY DURRANT

With sincere regret we record the death of Mr Henry DURRANT, which occurred quite suddenly at his residence, Milford House, George Street, on Thursday. He had just returned from his usual walk, and sat down in a chair, when he died immediately. Mr DURRANT, who was 70 years of age, had been in failing health for some time, and had only that morning consulted a doctor.

Born at Maidstone, of which town his father was mayor on several occasions, and a justice of the peace for the borough, Mr DURRANT came to Ryde 41 years ago. He took the hosiery business in Cross Street, previously carried on by Mr SIBLEY, and subsequently moved to Union Street. The deceased gentleman took no prominent part in the public life of the borough, but greatly interested himself in Freemasonry, and in connection with the Craft he did a great work. He was a PPGJW and the Junior Warden for the year of Lodge 698 (Ryde), his period of office only terminating yesterday (Friday). Mr DURRANT leaves a widow.

The funeral will take place on Monday, the first part of the service being conducted at St Thomas's Church at 2.15.

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