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Address: "Holmwood," Upton, Ashey, Haylands, IW.

John FARMER. Head. M. 70. Clergyman (Church of England). Manchester, Lancs.

Mary J. FARMER. Wife. M. 76. Bath, Somerset.

Jessie FARMER. Dau. S. 40. Bath, Somerset.

Rose L BARTON. Serv. S. 28. Cook Domestic Servant. Ryde, IW.

Minnie J. BARTON. Serv. S. 25. Housemaid Domestic. Ryde, IW.

In 1911 **Jessie** was living at Holmewood, Ryde, with her parents and two servants. Her birthplace was given as Shaftsbury House, Bath, Somerset. Jessie had no occupation.

We note that on this census Jessie's age was given as 41. That was incorrect and should have been 51.

1920 KELLY's DIRECTORY of Hampshire & Isle of Wight - page 715 **FARMER** Miss, Holmewood, Upton-road, Haylands, Ryde, IW.

1927 KELLY's DIRECTORY of Hampshire & Isle of Wight - page 730 **FARMER** Miss, Holmewood, Haylands, Ryde, IW.

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DEATH AND FUNERAL OF MISS FARMER. We regret to announce the death, on Tuesday, of Miss Jessie Mary FARMER, of Holmewood, Haylands. Following an influenza cold Miss FARMER took to her bed with pneumonia, which developed with fatal results in about a week. The late Miss FARMER came to reside at Haylands nearly 40 years ago with her parents, the late Rev. John and Mrs. FARMER, and she was very well known and respected. During the war she was a keen and hard-working member of the V.A.D. at Hazelwood, and in many other ways gave assistance to good causes. She was much interested in horticulture and, in addition to holding the office of treasurer of the Haylands Horticultural Society, until a few years ago she was a member of the Committee of the Ryde Horticultural Society and of the I.W. Rose Society. She was also a member of the Parish Council and the women's section of the British Legion, and as the owner of house property in the village was a good landlord. Miss FARMER was an ardent Conservative and took an active interest in the Haylands branch of the Conservative Association, being its hon. treasurer. The gardens of her house were often placed at the disposal of the party for political fetes.

The funeral took place yesterday (Friday) afternoon, the first part of the service held at the Parish Church. The Vicar (Canon G. A. JOHNSTONE) officiated, and the hymn "Abide with me" was sung. The coffin was draped with the flag of the British Red Cross Society and the mourners were the Rev. S. SWAN, Lady BAGOT, Mrs. Gillespie STAINTON, Miss SWAN, Mrs. KILFORD, Mrs. A. SCOVELL, and Messrs. S. DARK, and T. BULL. A detachment of the V.A.D. were present, under the command of Miss BUCK. Among others at the church were Mr. H. SWEETMAN, J.P. (chairman of the I.W. Conservative Association), Capt. H. A. DRUDGE (representing Capt. P. MACDONALD, M.P.), Mrs. WARREN, representing the Haylands branch of the Conservative Association, Messrs. E. C. LOADER (chairman), W. BROOKER, V. C. JONES, H. PLUMBLEY, and J. B. COOMBES (clerk), representing the Ashey Parish Council; Dr. K. W. I. MACKENZIE, Messrs. G. FARDELL, J. BUTCHER (representing the I.W. Rose Society), F. DINFORD (Holmewood Farm), C. MOREY (Haylands Farm), H. E. HIBBERD, and W. KILFORD, Mrs. FRAMPTON (representing the Ryde branch of the women's section of the British Legion), Mrs. FORD, and Mrs. G. A. JOHNSTONE. The interment was at Ashey Cemetery and there were a number of floral tributes.

Messrs. PURNELL and PURNELL were the undertakers.

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