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## Robert GRINDER. Head. M. 40. Head Postman. London, Middx.

Jane GRINDER. Wife. M. 50. Surrey.

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In 1911 **Robert** was living at 1 Berwick Cotts, Binstead, with his wife of 27 years, Jane. He was listed as Pensioner Post Office Letter Deliverer.

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1933 REGISTER OF ELECTORS - 1 Berwick Cott, Binstead Hill **GRINDER Robert Francis** 

GRINDER Jane

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## **BINSTEAD**

Retired Postman's Death.- The death occurred on Sunday, after a long illness, of Mr. Robert Francis GRINDER, at Berwick Cottage, Binstead-hill. Deceased, who was 78, was a native of Streatham. For a long time he was in the postal service in that area and was chief postman when he retired in 1908 and came to live here. At Streatham and Ryde he was prominently associated with the Baptist Churches. In his old district in conjunction with the Rev. C. INGRAM, a prominent Baptist minister, he did much good work for the Sunday-school movement. He was a life deacon of George-street Baptist Church. Sympathy is felt with the widow.

The funeral took place on Thursday, the first part of the service at the Ryde Baptist Church. The Rev. F. CHAMBERS (pastor) conducted, assisted by two former pastors, the Revs. H. G. DRAKE and M. Lister GAUNT. The latter spoke of his 30 years' friendship with Mr. GRINDER, who was one of the hardest workers in connection with the church. He never forgot the wonder of his own conversion. The hymns "Peace, perfect peace," and "Forever with the Lord" were sung, Miss A. WARNE being at the organ. The chief mourners were Mrs. GRINDER (widow), Mr. and Mrs. VARDEN (nephew and niece), Mr. T. HOLMAN, Mr. and Mrs. F. MILLER, and Miss E. COOLEY.

Among others present were Messrs. W. G. DAISH, J.P., HOBBS, A. T. DUNFORD, P. BLAKELY, W. GOSDEN, E. J. W. MATTHEWS, G. DOWNER (deacons), A. DALLIMORE (secretary), and H. CASTLE (treasurer), Miss DAISH, Mr. T. B. HOLMAN (representing old friends of the Queen's-road Church, Wimbledon), Messrs. F. C. KENT and F. W. BLOW (Ryde Post Office), and Messrs. C. WARNE, W. E. LOWE, T.C., G. W. TAYLOR, F. WILSON, JONES, and A. PHILLIPS. There were many beautiful floral tributes, including one from the deacons of the Baptist Church.

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