ISLE OF WIGHT OBSERVER Saturday 3rd January 1914

DEATH OF MR. LATIMER LE MARCHANT.

It is with regret that we have to record the death of Mr Latimer LE MARCHANT, youngest son of Mr LE MARCHANT THOMAS LE MARCHANT, of La Haye du Puits, Guernsey, and Ryde, who passed away on Christmas Day. The deceased was well known in Ryde and with his genial and affectionate nature endeared himself to all with whom he came in contact. One deeply regrets the accident which laid him aside during so long a period in the latter part of his life. For many years he was junior clerk in the House of Commons. Some time before his marriage to Miss POOLE, daughter of the late Canon POOLE, in 1889, he was clerk to the Town Holdings Committee of the House, and the members of that committee united in presenting him with a wedding present, quite a unique occurrence. He was also secretary to the Chairman of Ways and Means, and it was when he was acting in this capacity for the late Mr MELLOR that he was present in the House of Commons during that memorable scene of tumult and confusion, when blows were dealt. In his younger days he was an athlete of no mean order. Many cups testify to the enthusiasm he displayed in football, and he was also "in the boats" at Eton, and later on, was stroke of his college boat at Cambridge.

The deceased was buried in the family vault at Binstead on Tuesday morning. The service was held at Binstead Church, the officiating clergy being the Rev. G. L. DAVEY (Rector of Binstead), the Rev. Hugh LE FLEMING (Vicar of Ryde), and the Rev. Canon REECE (Shanklin). Mr C. B. HAIR was at the organ. The remains were enclosed in a coffin of oiled oak, with a brass plate bearing the inscription:

LATIMER T. LE MARCHANT, Died 25th of December, 1913, Aged 61 years.

The mourners were the Widow, Major and Mrs LE MARCHANT, the Lord BRAYBROOKE, Mrs PERROTT, Dr. and Mrs MACKENZIE, Colonel E. HOWARD-BROOKE, and Mr PERRY. There were beautiful floral tributes from his Widow, Lucy, Lady BRAYBROOKE, Major and Mrs LE MARCHANT, Mr Gaspard LE MARCHANT, Mrs PERROTT, Lord BRAYBROOKE, Captain Neville LE MARCHANT, Nancy and Tom PERROTT, Mrs MACKENZIE, Miss SALE, the Misses BROWN, H. T. and C. WALPOLE, the Misses CARETON, Major and Mrs Pakenham FARRELL, Arthur G. TRODD, Mr and Mrs TABUTEAU, Mr Campbell GIFFORD, Mr and Mrs OGLANDER, Mrs and Miss SCHNEIDER, the Rev. and Mrs Holford SCOTT, Mr and Mrs PATTRICK, Mrs Thomas LOWE, Mr and Mrs Charles TUPPEN, Mrs DENNISON, Colonel and Mrs HOWARD-BROOKE.

Mr C. LANGDON carried out the funeral arrangements.

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