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**DEATH AND FUNERAL OF THE REV. F.P. METHUEN.**

The funeral of the Rev. **Francis Paul METHUEN**, who died on Thursday, July 31<sup>st</sup>, at Claverton – House, Strand, Ryde, took place on Tuesday last. The body enclosed in a carved shell with outer casket of finely polished elm furnished with massive brass handles and a brass Calvary cross extending the whole length of the top, was conveyed on an open car with a pair of horses to Holy Trinity Church, where the first portion of the funeral service was taken by the Rev. George DAVEY, M.A. The interment took place over the grave at the Ryde Cemetery immediately afterwards, the Rev. G. DAVEY again officiating. The foot of the cross on the lid of casket was engraved as follows;

“The Rev. Francis Paul METHUEN, died July 31<sup>st</sup>, 1902, in his 79<sup>th</sup> year R.I.P..” The principal mourners were Mr. Arthur METHUEN (son), Rev. P.E.O.B. METHUEN, Mr. H. PLUMTREE, Col. FORSYTH. Commander FORSYTH, R.N., and the Rev. H. GORE BROWNE. A number of very choice wreaths were sent by relatives and friends.

Messrs. PURNELL and PURNELL carried out all the arrangements in the most satisfactory manner.

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