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Edward John WILD. Boarder. Widr. 84. Major General retired. Delhi Bengal resident.

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ISLE OF WIGHT OBSERVER Saturday 23rd May 1914

INDIAN MUTINY VETERAN

MAJOR-GENERAL'S DEATH AT RYDE

Another of the few remaining survivors of the Indian Mutiny, Major-General **E. J. WILD**, died on Saturday, at Ryde, in his 87th year. General WILD was born in India of Anglo-Swiss parentage and joined the East India Service --afterwards the Bengal Army. Being on the spot, he served all through the Mutiny, marching to the relief of Lucknow under General OUTRAM and remaining there during the seige by the rebels until the garrison was finally relieved by Sir Colin CAMPBELL.

The funeral took place in the Ryde Cemetery on Wednesday last, the service being taken by the Rev. R. R. COUSENS. The body enclosed in a coffin of polished English oak with panelled sides and raised lid with massive brass fleur-de-lis handles, was conveyed to the Cemetery on an open car. The principal mourners were deceased's only son, his daughter (Mrs MERRY), son-in-law, Mr. E. A. MERRY, Miss BUTTERFIELD, Mr. and Mrs. LOEFFLER, and amongst others at the Cemetery were Mr. and Mrs. Alfred DASHWOOD, Mrs. BARRY, Mr. G. A. BLACKALL and Mr. GRACE. On the lid of the coffin was a brass plate, engraved as follows:

E. J. WILD
Major-General, Indian Army
Died 16th May, 1914

and a large laurel wreath with lillies of the valley and tied with ribbons the colour of deceased's regiment. Other floral tributes were sent by Mr. and Mrs. LOEFFLER, Mrs. BARRY, Miss BEAN, Mr. and Mrs. BUTTERFIELD and family, the maids at St. Albyn's and Roselea.

The funeral arrangements were reverently carried out by Messrs. PURNELL and PURNELL, of Ryde.
