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Death Notice-

CHILDS.- June 26th, at Enfield Villa, Swanmore Road, **Henry CHILDS**, aged 77.

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MR. H. CHILDS

The United Methodist Church has lost another of its staunch supporters by the death of Mr. Henry CHILDS which occurred on Sunday last at his home, Enfield Villa, Swanmore Road. He was aged 77, and by a strange coincidence he passed away exactly five years to the very hour, after his son, Mr. A. CHILDS, who met a strange death in the Esplanade railway tunnel. Two other children have also died on a Sunday. Mr. CHILDS had worked for over 50 years on the railway as a signal fitter until his retirement five years ago, at first with the Isle of Wight Railway and then with the Southern Railway. Deceased was a great worker in the United Methodist cause, both at Ryde and Shanklin, and was also a member of the Independent Order of Rechobites, Ventnor Tent. He was born at Blendworth, near Horndean, but came to the town early in his life. For a short time during his youth Mr. CHILDS served in the Royal Navy, but unfortunately contracted malaria when in foreign parts, and had to be invalided out. He had been in indifferent health for the last six months, but only took to his bed a fortnight before his death. He leaves a widow and two married daughters.

The funeral will take place at 2.30 today (Thursday) at the United Methodist Church.

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