## ISLE OF WIGHT OBSERVER Saturday 7th March 1891

## SUDDEN DEATH OF COL. J. C. W. FORTESCUE

We regret to record the death of Col. FORTESCUE, of 2, Sydney Terrace, St. Thomas's-street. He appeared to be in his usual health when he had his breakfast on Thursday morning. It was his custom to sit for some little time reading after that meal, and we understand that the valet left him reading, but, surprised to find that he was not summoned as usual, he entered the room and then found his master sitting in his chair with a book in his lap. He was unconscious. Medical aid was summoned. The valet went to five different medical men, and found them all absent. They, however, all arrived at nearly the same time and then pronounced life to be extinct. The valet believed the gallant colonel was dead when he found him.

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