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Death of Mr. H.F. WADE. - A respected resident, Mr. Henry Frederick WADE, died at Park House, St. John's Park, on Thursday. He would have celebrated his 93<sup>rd</sup> birthday on Monday. He was the younger son of the late Rev. A.J. WADE, the first vicar of Holy Trinity, and attended the church centenary celebrations in October. He was educated at St. Michael's College, Tenbury, and trained on the Conway for the Merchant Service, and subsequently held a master's certificate. His early career was on sailing ships, and he afterwards served in the Union Castle Line. He retired in 1913. He was deeply interested in St. John's Church. A few years before the war he had the organ rebuilt at a cost of £1100, and in many other ways the church benefited by his generosity. He was a former people's warden and sidesman, and was particularly fond of church music. At Park House he had his own organ and frequently entertained members of the Island Organists' Association. He was the esteemed hon. Secretary of the Island branch of the N.S.P.C.C. for many years, and one of the best known members of the Royal Victoria Y.C. and the Ryde Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club. He was a member of St. John's branch of the Conservative Association. His wife died in 1933, and his only daughter is the wife of Mr. F. WILSON HARLOW, F.R.C.S. The funeral service will take place at St. John's Church on Monday at 11 a.m.

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