

Children with first wife:

1864 Martha Jane (married Joseph Williams 1883 at Hastings)

1867 Herbert William (died 1868 aged 10 weeks)

1869 Alice Emily (married George Smith 1889 at Alverstoke)

2nd MARRIAGE: Mar ¼ 1871 (General Registrars ref: Portsea Island Reg Dist. Vol 2N. Page 548)

William AKERS & Dorcas HAYES (nee SIVELL)

1871 CENSUS: RG10/1166. folio 69. page 42.

Address: Sydney Cottage, Monkton-street, Ryde, IW.

William AKERS. Head. Mar. 41. Plumber Painter. Ware, Hertfordshire.

Dorcas AKERS. Wife. Mar. 38. Lodging Hse Keeper. Ryde, IW.

Stephen SIVELL. Brother. Unm. 34. Musician. Ryde, IW.

Percy HAYES. Step-son. 11. Scholar. Ryde, IW.

Alice AKERS. Dau. 2. Ryde, IW.

3rd MARRIAGE: 1876 Register Office, Nonconformist or RC Church (IW Registrars ref: RO22/107)

William AKERS & Anne GINGELL (nee CLOTHIER)

1891 CENSUS: RG12/891. folio 37. page 23.

Address: 2 Trinity-street, Ryde, IW.

William AKERS. Head. M. 61. House Painter. Ware, Hertfordshire.

Annie AKERS. Wife. M. 61. Bristol, Bedminster.

Emelie GROUCHY. S. 44. Teacher. St. Heliers, Jersey.

1901 CENSUS: RG13/1025. folio 36. page 10.

Address: 3 Trinity-street, Ryde, IW.

William AKERS. Head. Widr. 71. Painter (General). Ware, Hertfordshire.

Alice SMITH. Dau. M. 34. Ryde, IW.

Ellen MINEISE. Boarder. S. 60. Charwoman. Languard Fort, Suffolk.

In 1911, William was found to be living at 3 Rear of Port View, Dover-street, Ryde, with his daughter and her husband.

ISLE OF WIGHT COUNTY PRESS Saturday 23rd May 1914

DEATH OF CRIMEA AND MUTINY VETERANS AT RYDE

Two gallant military veterans, differing widely in rank, passed away at Ryde this week and were both interred on Wednesday. They were Major General E. J. WILD, in his 87th year, and Corp. **Wm. ACRES**, aged 83 of the old 91st regiment.

Corp. William ACRES, who for over half a century had resided in Ryde, passed away at

noon on Saturday at his residence, 1 Seaview cottages, Dover-street, after having been confined to his room for two years and having been unconscious since the preceding Wednesday. The deceased was a native of Ware, Herts, and had seen active service with the 31st regiment both in the Crimean war and during the Indian Mutiny, holding the medals, with clasps, for both campaigns. He was wounded in the trenches before Sebastopol, and in hospital was tended by Miss DEACON, of Ringwood, New Forest, one of Florence Nightingale's pioneers in Red Cross work, whose acquaintance he subsequently accidentally renewed in South Africa, where the romance, commenced on the shores of the Black Sea, culminated in a happy marriage. During his declining years the veteran's welfare was watched over by his devoted daughter, Mrs. SMITH.

The Rev. Noel STUBBS, curate of Holy Trinity Church, officiated at the funeral, at which there was also present Mrs SMITH, Ryde (daughter), Mrs J. WILLIAMS, Hastings (daughter), Mr. J. WILLIAMS, Hastings (son-in-law), Mr Cyril WILLIAMS, Millwall, London (grandson), Mrs, FEVEN, and Mr. W. C. MASON, Yarmouth. The wreaths, borne on the coffin included one of laurel, bound with his regimental colours of red and white, from Mrs. George ROWLANDS (widow of the late Major ROWLAND) and Miss May ROWLAND of Longmartin, Boscombe, together with floral tributes from Louie and Nellie; Mrs TYLER and sons; Mrs HARVIE; his devoted daughter, Alice; his loving daughter, J.W.; his grandchildren in London, Hastings and China; and Mrs WEST and Violet.

The undertaker was Mr. G. W. DAY, of Surrey-street, Ryde.

We note a discrepancy with the age at death, the newspaper above recorded age 83, whereas the burial register listed it as 86.

Researched & typed by
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