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DEATH OF MR. W. CHIPP. – We regret to announce the death of **Mr. William CHIPP** at his residence, 65 Union-street, on Saturday. Mr. CHIPP, who was 52, succumbed to a long and painful illness. He was a native of Portsmouth. Early in life he became an actor, his first engagement being at the Rotunda Theatre, Liverpool. For five years he achieved success in touring melodrama. When war broke out he enlisted in the Middlesex Regiment and as staff Q.M.S. was in charge of separation allowances and compulsory stoppage of pay of the Royal Horse and Royal Field Artillery. Upon demobilisation he continued in the same work as a civilian clerk until 1921, when he joined the staff of the Isle of Wight Times. Those who enjoyed his friendship always admired his many good qualities and will greatly miss him. Deep sympathy is felt with his widow, son, and daughter. His son has been serving with the Air Force in India and was granted a transfer to England on compassionate medical grounds, but unfortunately he will not arrive home until December 14th.

The funeral took place on Tuesday, Mrs. PERKIS (Ryde National Spiritualist Church) conducting a short service and performing the last rites at the graveside. The chief mourners were Mrs. CHIPP (widow), Miss G. CHIPP (daughter), Mrs. THOMPSON (mother), and Mr. and Mrs. J. H. LIGHTBOWN. Members of the Ryde National Spiritualist Church attended and there were also present Messrs. H. B. O'ROURKE, Mr. GREAVES, P. and D. LIGHTBOWN, R. EAST, J. WICKENS, Terry, D. P. FISHER, F. KINGSWELL, and W. SCOVELL (members of the staff of the Isle of Wight Times), Lieut. G. H. WOODNUTT, R.N., and Messrs. A. J. M. BAYES (Evening News), E. F. BROWN (County Press), and A. G. WILKINSON. Included in the collection of flowers were tributes from the staff of the Isle of Wight Times and the Ryde National Spiritualist Church.

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