

ISLE OF WIGHT COUNTY PRESS Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> June 1919

### **THE LATE CAPT. QUAYLE**

The funeral took place at the Ryde Cemetery, on Tuesday, 17th, of Capt. George Cunningham QUAYLE, R.N., (retired) son of Mr. G. P. QUAYLE, of Yarborough-villa, Pelham Fields, whose death had been the subject of an inquest in London. The deceased officer was found on the ground beneath his bed-room, a fall of 40ft, and he died from fracture of the spine and other injuries. The body was brought to Ryde where a glass car awaited the remains. Mr. C. LANGDON having charge of the arrangements. There was a number of beautiful wreaths.

At the inquest, held at Paddington, it was stated that the deceased was 47 years of age and lived at Leinster gardens, Bayswater. Capt. QUAYLE rejoined the Service on the outbreak of war, and after holding several important positions was given command of the North Star 2, in the Mediterranean. He had been in delicate health and had complained of the great strain occasioned by being constantly on the bridge watching for submarines or the Goeben, and on convoy work. He told his boarding house-keeper that he had had mud thrown at him, and said certain allegations haunted him. He wrote "The hue and cry does not frighten me, but death can only remove the stain attached to my name." On behalf of the naval authorities it was stated that all these suggestions were delusions and Capt. QUAYLE had been twice commended by the Lords of the Admiralty.

At the resumed inquest on Monday, at Paddington, a verdict of "Suicide whilst of unsound mind " was returned.

---

Submitted by Tony Bevis 29 May 2020

Transcription produced for the Isle of Wight Family History Society