

ISLE OF WIGHT OBSERVER Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> August 1920

**WAITING FOR A TRAIN**

**RYDE MAN'S PAINFULLY SUDDEN  
DEATH**

The Deputy Coroner for the Island (Mr. F. A. JOYCE) held an inquest at 19a, Caesar's Road, Newport, on the body of **Frank WILES** (61), of 53a George Street, Ryde, a civilian clerk at Parkhurst Barrack's, who died suddenly in the ticket office lobby of the Central Railway Station on Saturday evening on whilst waiting for the 5.5 p.m. train for Ryde.

The deceased lodged at 19a Caesar's Road, and his landlord, Mr. Stanley STAGG, said he left home to go to Ryde for the week-end, as was his custom, at 4.4 on Saturday afternoon. He then appeared in good health.

Frank SAUNDERS, ferry pilot of East Cowes, said that whilst waiting for his train he saw the deceased enter the lobby, walk quietly round smoking (as he had plenty of time for his train), and suddenly fell backwards. He loosened his clothing but deceased appeared to die immediately.

Dr FOSTER who arrived in a few minutes, said deceased was quite dead and had evidently died immediately from syncope. A verdict was returned accordingly.

The deceased was buried at Ryde on Tuesday afternoon, a beautiful wreath being sent by his colleagues at Parkhurst, amongst whom he was so much esteemed.

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