

## William Benjamin Brett

### 1901 census, Cyprus Cottage, Newport Road, Niton

<b>William Brett</b>	<b>Head</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>Retired Labourer</b>	<b>Carisbrooke, Isle of Wight</b>
Ellen Brett	Wife	64		Brighstone, Isle of Wight
Benjamin Brett	Son	29	Labourer	Niton, Isle of Wight
Ellen Brett	Daughter	27		Niton, Isle of Wight
Lois Brett	Daughter	22		Niton, Isle of Wight
John Brett	Grandson	9		Niton, Isle of Wight
Lewis Brett	Grandson	10mth.		Niton, Isle of Wight

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#### NEWPORT

**OLD PENSIONER'S SUDDEN DEATH.** – On Thursday evening the Deputy Coroner (F. A. Joyce, Esq.), held an inquest at the Gospel-hall, Union-street, on the body of William Benjamin Brett, aged 72, an Army and old-age pensioner, living with his daughter at 7 South-view, who died suddenly on the previous Tuesday night. Deceased's daughter, Elizabeth, said that about 9 o'clock on the night in question deceased went to the back of the house. Shortly after she heard deceased cry for help. She went out and found him in a sitting position and he said something about pain, but he was in a dying condition and he expired shortly after. Dr. Underhill was summoned immediately and attended promptly. Deceased had not complained of illness and had not been medically attended. Harry James Jones, labourer, who was at the house at the time, gave corroborative evidence. Dr. Underhill said that about 9.30 on Tuesday night he was called by the last witness to 7 South-view, where he found deceased lying on the floor of the kitchen. Life was extinct. He had not attended deceased and was unable to state the exact cause of death from an external examination. He had made a post-mortem examination and found disease of the aortic valves of the heart of some years standing and also atheromatous disease, and he attributed death to syncope, due to the condition of the heart. The jury, of whom Mr. J. Sheath was foreman, returned a verdict in accordance with the medical evidence,

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