

## Ernest Frederic Westmore Buckell

### 1911 England, Wales & Scotland Census

99 South End Road, Duncan Cottage, NW, London, England

Name	Relationship	Status	Age	Occupation	Birthplace
<i>Ernest Frederic Westmore Buckell</i>	<i>Lodger</i>	<i>Single</i>	<i>28</i>	<i>Medical student</i>	<i>Chichester, Sussex</i>

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### DEATH OF DR. BUCKELL OF NEWPORT

We regret to announce the death of Dr. E. F. Westmore Buckell, which occurred at his residence, Milbrooke House, Carisbrooke-road, Newport, on Saturday of last week at the comparatively early age of 42. The deceased, who was the eldest surviving son of the late Dr. E. Hook Buckell, of Chichester, qualified at University College Hospital, London, and, after working in Cornwall, he joined his father in practice at Chichester. On the outbreak of war the deceased offered his services, and, displaying great organising ability, he was responsible for valuable work in providing the necessary hospital accommodation. He held the rank of captain and he was the X-ray expert to the Norfolk and Norwich Hospital. He was chosen to exchange the first batch of prisoners with the enemy, and represented the Southern Division at the funeral of Lord Roberts. A breakdown during the war period necessitated a curtailment of his activities, and he went to the Norfolk Hospital, where he remained until 1917. In that year he succeeded to the practice of Dr. Hutton Castle in Newport, and came to reside in the town. A keen enthusiast in first-aid and Red Cross work, the deceased was for a considerable time honorary lecturer to the I.W. branch of the British Red Cross Society, and in recognition of his services he was made a life member of the Society. He was also keenly interested in infant welfare work, and was often a judge at Island and local baby shows. He was also Poor Law medical officer for the Shorwell district and a Friendly Society and National Health Insurance panel practitioner, and was very popular amongst those with whom he was brought into contact, and particularly those whom he attended, his devotion, skill, and painstaking care being greatly appreciated. These qualities were specially displayed by him when he was called to Sheat Manor Farm last autumn. In attending the poor fellow who was killed on that occasion, in spite of every precaution, he contracted septicaemia, resulting in a long and serious illness, which hastened his end. Dr. Buckell was of a bright and cheerful disposition, and he found agreeable scope for his histrionic talents by his membership of the Wight Strollers Company, in which his wife and daughter have also been popular performers. He was also a prime mover in the establishment of the I.W. Automobile Club and its first president. Dr. Buckell, who was a Freemason, leaves a wife and three children, for whom the greatest sympathy is felt in their irreparable bereavement.

The very large attendance at the funeral on Tuesday was a testimony to the genuine esteem in which the deceased was held throughout the district and to the depth of sympathy with his widow and family. A service was held at Carisbrooke Church, and the interment followed at the cemetery. The church was filled. The brethren of Albany Lodge of Freemasons lined the entrance near the lych-gate, and the members of the Newport Voluntary Aid Detachment of the Red Cross Society, under Miss Long (commandant) and Miss Morgan (quartermaster) were drawn up inside the churchyard. The officiating clergy were the Rev. Victor L. Whitechurch, rector of Hartwell-with-Stone and Rural Dean of Aylesbury (cousin of the deceased), whose expressive reading of the lesson was notable, and the Rev. Dennis James (curate). The churchwardens, Messrs. W. C. Black, J. Embling Dart, and R. Fisk, accompanied the clergy to the lych-gate to meet the cortege. The hymn "How bright these glorious spirits shine" was sung, and the organist (Mr. G. R. Barrett) played "I know that my Redeemer liveth" at the close. In a short address the Rev. Dennis James referred to the late doctor's

noble and Christ-like work for the alleviation of suffering, to the love and esteem he had won from those to whom he had ministered, and to the administration of all of the courageous way he bore his long illness. He would be remembered as a good physician, a loyal friend, and as a man with a big heart.

The personal mourners were the widow, Mrs. E. H. Buskell (mother), Dr. Aston Buckell (brother), the Misses Vera and Monamie Buckell (sisters), and Dr. R. F. Ashkenny. Dr. Hutton Castle was represented by Mrs. Reardon. Amongst those also attending were representatives of the Newport and Carisbrooke Girl Guides, Major-General Sir S. Guise Moores (county director) and Mrs. S. W. Ibbotson (secretary), representing the British Red Cross Society, Mr. F. L. Watkins (commandant of the Ventnor and Undercliff Men's Detachment of the Red Cross Society), the following brethren of the Albany Lodge of Freemasons: Bros. Colonel C. V. C. Hobart, W.M., and F. J. Wray, J.W., Wor. Bros. G. A. Brannon, P.P.S.G.D., H. W. Horan, P.P.S.G.D., H. G. Groundsell, P.P.G.P., W. L. Bright, P.A.G.D.C., B. F. Wray, F. Burton, W. C. Black, and F. Morgan, and Bros. Dr. J. B. McKay, N. H. T. Mursell (who also represented the Newport Fire Brigade, of which deceased was medical officer), H. H. Gould, J. E. Dart, C. H. Cowdery, W. D. Way-Buckell, B. Cooper, M. W. J. Attrill, C. Allen, and T. Nobbs; Wor. Bros. Captain H. Lee (Needles Lodge); and Bro. F. Chiverton (Osborne Lodge); Dr. and Mrs. J. Fairley, Dr. and Mrs. W. J. A. Erskine, Dr. S. V. H. Underhill, Dr. G. Raymond, Dr. Stanley Foster, Dr. and Mrs. J. Dowdall, Dr. A. Straton, Mr. F. G. Pritchard Flanders (president of the I.W. Automobile Club) and Mrs. Flanders, Canon C. H. Thompson (vicar of Newport), Major and Mrs. Henry J. Way, Mrs. E. W. Way, the Misses Footman, Miss Ruddle (president), Mrs. Lock (secretary) and other members representing the Carisbrooke Women's Institute, Mrs. G. A. Brannon, Mrs. A. E. Harvey, Mrs. S. Knott, Mr. and Mrs. H. Cawley-Way, Mr. and Mrs. R. Bird Cheverton, Nurses Kirkup and Knight, Mrs. F. J. Webb, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Mesden, Captain C. W. Brannon, and Messrs. A. Peck, C.C., E. G. Barnes, A. Alabone, A. G. Harrison (clerk to the I.W. Board of Guardians), E. W. Card, A. T. Barton, J. L. Graham, H. Lower, R. J. and Mrs. Eldridge, G. F. S. Stratton, F. A. Edwards, and a numerous company of other residents and former patients. The Freemasons, V.A.D.s (who were in uniform), and the Guides walked in the procession to the cemetery, where, following the ordinary committal service, the Rev. V. L. Whitechurch, Past Provincial Grand Champion of Bucks, impressively delivered the Masonic oration, which was completed by the singing of the ode to the departed. The grave was lined with evergreens and delphiniums. Amongst those unavoidably prevented from attending were Lady Seely, deputy president of the Island branch of the Red Cross Society (who was away from the Island), the Revs. W. H. MacKinnon, A. F. Hill, and C. A. Shaw (Masonic chaplains), Mr. T. Ross Pratt (town clerk of Newport), and Mr. Avery A. Whitfield (clerk to the Rural District Council). There were about 40 very beautiful floral tributes, including a cross of lilies and plumbago, extending almost the length of the coffin, from the widow and deceased's mother; one from the Worshipful Master, officers, and brethren of the Albany Lodge of Freemasons; a wreath showing the Club's pennant in white on a green base from the members of the I.W. Automobile Club, "in affectionate remembrance of our president, 1920-1924"; a red cross on a white base from the Chairman and members of the Executive Committee of the I.W. branch of the Red Cross Society; and other tributes from the Wright Strollers, the Newport and Carisbrooke Girl Guides, and the officers and members of the Newport V.A.D. (Hants 164), "in grateful remembrance of our medical officer". Mr. G. F. Quinton made the arrangements.

Mrs. Westmore Buckell expresses her sincere thanks to all who have sent letters of sympathy to her in her great loss and also to all who sent flowers, and regrets that she cannot at present send individual acknowledgements.

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