

John Leonard Moore

1891 census, Pit Villa, St. Johns Road, Carisbrooke

John L Moore (blind)	Head	65	Retired Purser	Carisbrooke, Hampshire
Mary Moore	Wife	64		Romsey, Hampshire
Florence Moore	Daughter	28		Carisbrooke, Hampshire
Edward Moore	Son	24	Ironmongers Clerk	Carisbrooke, Hampshire
Annie Moore	Daughter	20		Carisbrooke, Hampshire
Mable A Midlane	Servant	17	General Servant	Carisbrooke, Hampshire

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DEATH AND FUNERAL OF MR. JOHN

L. MOORE, J.P., OF NEWPORT

We chronicle with much regret the death, which occurred on Sunday evening last, after a comparatively brief illness, of a well-known and highly esteemed citizen of Newport, Mr. John Leonard Moore, J.P., at Pit Villa, Newport, at the age of 74. For many years the late Mr. Moore held a responsible official position in connection with the Royal Mail Steam-ship Co., so performing his duties as to command the highest confidence and regard of all with whom he was brought into association. Failing sight necessitated his retirement from that position, and he then finally settled down in his native town, with which his family have been for a long period of years honourably connected. With leisure time at his disposal and taking an active interest in all matters affecting the well-being of Newport, he was on many occasions solicited to give his fellow citizens the benefit of his services in various public positions. He very gallantly engaged in several municipal contests and some years ago he was elected a member of the National School Board. An earnest friend of education and feeling a deep concern for the welfare of the rising generation, he found in this position most congenial work, and in this connection he rendered services for which he deserves to be gratefully remembered. He was appointed to the Commission of the Peace for the borough of Newport some five years ago, and so long as his health permitted he was very assiduous in the discharge of the duties appertaining to the magistracy. In politics he was a staunch Conservative and an enthusiastic supporter of the Primrose League, his presence at the meetings of the I.W. Central Habitation being as familiar as it was always welcome. By his personal qualities he won the warm regard of a wide circle of friends, who will retain a pleasant memory of one who was always kind and true in the relationships of social life. Of the tender ministries of his devoted wife this is scarcely the place to speak, but it may be permitted to us to say that in the late Mr. Moore's affliction of all but total blindness his wife was ever at his side, and it was largely due to her loving guidance that he was enabled to be so regular in his attendances at places where he had public duties to perform. Mrs. Moore has the deepest sympathy of this community, as have also the other members of the bereaved family.

At the annual meeting of the I.W. Central Habitation of the Primrose League at Newport on Wednesday evening regretful reference was made in the annual report to the severe loss which the Habitation has sustained by the death of so valued a supporter and member of the Executive Council, and the Chairman (Mr. John Stanley) made feeling allusion to the loss of Mr. Moore. He said he regretted that the first note to be sounded that evening must be one of sadness owing to the death of one of their oldest and staunchest supporters. It would be impertinent for him, in the presence of those

who knew him so well, to say anything in praise of Mr. John Moore. They, and the inhabitants of Newport generally, who had known the deceased gentleman longer than he had known him, knew his great kindness of heart and his many estimable and sterling qualities and they all deplored the loss of so valued a member of the Primrose League and so respected a fellow townsman (hear, hear). He was sure they would all join with him in tendering a very sincere expression of sympathy and condolence to the members of the bereaved family in their great sorrow (hear, hear).

With the object of placing on record their sense of the loss which the Borough Bench has sustained by the death of Mr. Moore and of passing a vote of condolence with the bereaved family, a meeting of the borough justices was held at the Guildhall on Thursday morning, shortly before the hour fixed for the funeral. The Mayor (Mr. George B. Purkis) presided, and the other magistrates present were Mr. Robey F. Eldridge, Mr. R. Roach Pittis, Mr. Robert Pinnock, Dr. Groves, Mr. Robert Bullen, Mr. James Thomas, Mr. Francis Templeton Mew, and Mr. R. Bird Cheverton.

The Mayor said some of their colleagues were unable, from various causes, to be with them on that occasion. Mr. Edward J. Upward wrote: "I am very sorry that I shall be out of the Island on Thursday next and therefore unable to attend the funeral of our respected colleague, the late Mr. J. L. Moore. I am the more sorry as he was a man whom I, as well as all his fellow-townsmen, held in high esteem." Mr. W. C. Way wrote expressing regret that the state of his health would prevent him from attending the funeral and so paying a last mark of respect to the memory of his esteemed colleague. Mr. John Lock, owing to the infirmities of age, was unable to meet them there, but he would join them at the church, as would also Mr. James Georges. Mr. Francis Pittis was prevented by an unavoidable engagement from attending, and the Clerk to the borough justices (Mr. E. F. Blake) had written regretting that an appointment in London, which required his personal attendance, would prevent him from being present at the funeral. The Mayor went on to say that they were met that morning to pay a tribute of respect to the memory of the late Mr. John Leonard Moore – he would not call it a final tribute, because they would always respect the memory of their departed friend and colleague. There were those present who had known the lamented deceased for a much longer period than he had done, but he had known him long enough to appreciate his worth, and the opportunities he had had of meeting the late Mr. Moore on the Bench enabled him to testify to the value of his services as a magistrate and to the perfect courtesy with which he always met his colleagues. They were all deeply sensible of the loss which his death had caused, and with this sentiment they would desire to associate an expression of sincere condolence with Mrs. Moore and her family in their great bereavement. He begged to move "That we, the Justices of the Peace for the borough of Newport, desire to express our deep sense of the great loss which the borough has sustained through the death of Mr. John Leonard Moore, who served as a justice of the peace for some years, and that a letter be written to Mrs. Moore and family conveying an expression of the sincere sympathy of his colleagues with them in their time of sorrow."

Mr. Robey F. Eldridge, in seconding the proposition, remarked that he could only endorse what the Mayor had said. They all deplored the death of Mr. Moore, and they would all keep in memory the faithfulness and the assiduity which marked his performance of his duties on the Bench. Personally, he had known Mr. Moore for a long number of years, and for him the death of their lamented colleague meant the loss of a very old and valued friend. At that time they were especially remembering those upon whom this bereavement had more directly fallen, and Mrs. Moore and her family might be assured that the deepest sympathy of all was with them in their sorrow.

The proposition was carried in silence, all the magistrates rising.

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ISLE OF WIGHT.

NEWPORT.

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Further particulars in future advertisements.

Vendor's solicitor, W. T. Way Buckell, Newport and Ventnor.

Auction Offices, Newport

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