William Edward Pritchett

1911 England, Wales & Scotland Census

2 Brickyard Cottages, Gunville Road, Carisbrooke, Isle of Wight, Hampshire, England

Name William Edward Pritchett	Relationship <i>Head</i>	Status <i>Married</i>	Age 48	Occupation Company's secretary	Birthplace Northwood, IOW
Alice Louisa Pritchett	Wife	Married	39		Newport, IOW
William Lee Pritchett	Son	Single	12	School	Northwood, IOW
Cecil Edgar Pritchett	Son	Single	9	School	Northwood, IOW
Percy Valentine Pritchet	t Son	Single	1		Carisbrooke, IOW

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CARISBROOKE

Death of Mr. W. E. Pritchett. — We regret to record the death of Mr. William Edward Pritchett, of Gunville-road, which occurred suddenly early on Sunday morning. The deceased, who was 62, had been in failing health for the last year or so, but the end came somewhat suddenly whilst he was seated in his chair, and was due to heart disease. Mr. Pritchett, was known throughout the Island by reason of his connection with the brick-making industry. He was trained as a chemist, passed his examinations, and for a while was a dispenser in a London hospital, but he soon left the profession to assist his father in the clerical work of the business of the Hillis Brickworks. On the death of his father, he and his brothers succeeded to the business, which grew rapidly until about 20 years ago a limited liability company was formed and the Gunville works purchased and developed. Mr. Pritichett continued as secretary of this company until it went into liquidation shortly before the war, and he has since lived in retirement. Whilst residing at Northwood Mr. Pritchett served on the Parish Council and took a leading part in the establishment of the Fire Brigade. Since his retirement he had rendered similar public service at Carisbrooke, being a member of the Parish Council at his death. His services on these bodies were highly esteemed by his colleagues who valued his thoughtful and considerate attitude on all matters. He was a great lover of poetry and literature, and himself had a gift of rhyming, able verses from his pen having frequently appeared in our columns. His wife and family have the sincere sympathy of many friends in their heavy bereavement.

The funeral took place at Carisbrooke Cemetery on Wednesday, the Vicar (the Rev. H.. S. Footman) officiating. The mourners were Messrs. W. L., C. E., and P. V. Pritchett (sons), H. and F. Pritchett (brothers), Arthur Bennett (brother-in-law), G. W. Flux (uncle), F. and G. Flux and H. Chessell (cousins), Alec Bennett and W. Hebdige, and Miss. M. Hebdige. Those also attending included Messrs. B. Sanders, C.C., J. A. Wadmore (clerk), and the following members of the Parish Council; Capt. J. S. Brown and Messrs. J. W. Lockhart, A. E. King, W. G. Cooper, H. P. Hendy, and J. Embling Dart, and T. Spooner, a former member. The beautiful floral tributes included one from the Parish Council and the Clerk. Messrs. H. and F. Damp made the arrangements.

At the parish lighting meeting on Monday, Mr. J. H. Deacon, in moving that a minute of appreciation should be recorded and a letter of sympathy forwarded to his relatives, said that the parish had lost a good

friend and the Council a valued colleague by Mr. Pritchett's death. As a member for some years he had shown sound judgement, had never sat in the seat of the scornful, and had approached all matters with that modesty and consideration for the views of others, which characterised his whole life and work in great esteem. Owing to failing health he desired to retire from the Council about six months previously, but by the unanimous wish of his colleagues he agreed to continue in office. Mr. J. W. Lockhart seconded the motion, which was carried in the usual manner.

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