

James Wood

Census 1891, 52 High Street, Newport

<i>James Wood</i>	<i>Head</i>	<i>64</i>	<i>Seedsman & Florist</i>	<i>Aberdeenshire Scotland</i>
Elizabeth Wood	Wife	64		Edinburgh Scotland

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NEWPORT.

WELL-KNOWN NURSERYMAN'S SUDDEN DEATH. – Mr. James Wood, the well-known and respected proprietor of the Watergate Nursery, was, we regret to record, found dead in bed early on Monday morning. Deceased, who had reached the age of 73, had been in failing health for some time and was reported to have been attended by Dr. Thompson some months ago for spasms and pains in the chest. On Sunday night he complained of feeling unwell and it was arranged to summon Dr. Thompson next morning. Deceased retired to rest as usual with his wife, and at 2 a.m. he said he was feeling better. His wife then dropped off to sleep and when she woke about two hours later she found her husband lying dead by her side, heart disease having presumably been the cause of death. An inquest was not thought necessary by the Coroner, Edward F. Blake, Esq. Old Island Volunteers will remember the late Mr. Wood as a valued comrade for many years. He attained to the rank of colour-sergeant, and in his best days he was a splendid shot, rendering his old company good service in many an inter-corps contest. The deep sympathy of all is with the bereaved family.

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