Joseph Locke

1901 census – 44 South Street, Newport

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Auctioneer's Porter Bookbinder *Newport, Isle of Wight* Bembridge, Isle of Wight

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NEWPORT

DEATH OF A NOTABLE NEWPORTONIAN. – The death occurred on Saturday of Mr. Joseph Locke, who for many decades had been a familiar figure in the Island. Deceased was in his 90th year and thus he maintained the reputation of his family for remarkable longevity, his father having been within a month of centenarian distinction at the time of his death, whilst his mother was 94 when she passed away. A sister of deceased, who is still living, is 93; another sister died at the age of 90, and of two brothers one was an octogenarian and the other a septuagenarian when they died. It was the late Mr. "Joe" Locke's boast that during the whole of his long life he never went out of the Island, and he once remarked to the writer "The Isle of Wight is quite good enough for me." Years ago he was a very active politician on the Conservative side and he was also well known throughout the Island as an attendant at sales by Sir Francis Pittis and Son, in whose employ he was for half a century, and the proceedings at these sales were frequently enlivened by his humorous sayings. His son, Mr. G. H. Lock, is the well-known bookbinder of this town and a very active and useful member and officer of the Earl Yarborough Lodge of Oddfellows. The funeral took place at the Newport Cemetery on Wednesday, the Rev. Miles Atkinson officiating. Mr. G. H. Locke and other relatives attended.

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